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14	To the Secretaries to the Governments of Bengal and Bombay.	1860. 19th March.	Transmit copies of the Advertisement for publication.
15	Under Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department.	2nd do.	Forwards Extract from Home Despatch relative to Messrs. Mackinnon, Mackenzie and Co's offer on behalf of the Bay of Bengal Steam Navigation Company, to convey Mails between Calcutta and Madras, and enquires when the information called for on the subject of entering into Contracts for the performance of the Packet Service between Madras, the Northern Ports and Rangoon, will be furnished.
16	To the Secretary to the Government of India.	19th do.	Transmits copies of the letters from the Superintendent of Marine, dated 24th December 1859, and 8th March, on the subject, and report the Proceedings thereon.
17	Proceedings of Government.	19th do.	A Telegram from the Government of India, requesting the return of the "Sesostris" as well as the "Zenobia," communicated to the Superintendent of Marine and the Military Department.
18	Do. Do.	19th do.	Direct the Commander of the "Zenobia" to remain for 100 Europeans to be sent to Calcutta.
19	Right Hon'ble the Secretary of State for India, (Despatch, No. 4 of 1860.)	14th February	Intimates that the necessary communications to other Departments of the British Government, of papers forwarded with certain letters from this Government has been made.
20	Order thereon.....	20th March.	Recorded.
21	Commander of H. M.'s Steamer "Zenobia," I. N.	19th do.	Reports that the "Zenobia" and "Sesostris" will be ready for sea on the 20th.
22	Order thereon.....	20th do.	Communicated to the Military Department, the Quarter Master General, and the Superintendent of Marine.
23	Commander of H. M.'s Steamer "Zenobia," I. N.	18th do.	Reports the arrival of his Vessel, with the Transport "Sesostris" to tow, having the 43rd Foot on board.
24	Order thereon.....	20th do.	Communicated to the Military Department.
25	Superintendent of Marine....	16th do.	Requests that an alteration may be made in the articles enumerated in the Advertisement of the intended sale of certain Beer Casks saved from the wreck of the "Kindrochat."
26	To the Secretary to the Government of Bengal.	20th do.	Transmit copy of the letter, with a request accordingly.
27	Chief Engineer, P. W. D....	5th do.	Forwards Plan and Estimate, amounting to Rs. 470, for a cage to enclose the Santapilly Lantern, and recommends that the work be sanctioned for execution from the general Funds of the Vizagapatam District after the 1st May.
28	Order thereon.....	20th do.	Sanctioned; but the Chief Engineer requested to submit, as directed by Order, 2nd December 1859, No. 610, a report on the state of the Port Fund at Vizagapatam.
29	Acting Secretary to the Secretary Government of Bombay.	5th do.	Forwards copy of Lieutenant Fraser's Memorial in explanation of his alleged uncourteous conduct while in Command of the "Coromandel" to certain Native Officials, together with copy of the Resolution thereon.
30	Order thereon.....	20th do.	Recorded.
31	Accountant General.....	18th February	Enquires whether the charge for the teak-wood frame for working the Diving Bell is to be considered a Port charge, or one appertaining to the Public Works Department.
...		21st do.	Referred to the Superintendent of Marine.

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32	Superintendent of Marine...	1860. 9th March	Is of opinion that the expense of the frame, as well as the salary and allowance of the Superintendent of the Diving Bell should be charged to the Port Fund.
33	Order thereon.....	20th do.	Copy of the Superintendent's letter furnished to the Accountant General, with directions accordingly.
34	Proceedings of Government, Public Department.	16th do.	Referring Extract (paragraph 7) from the President's Minutes of 18th January, relative to the state of the Harbour Works at Cuddalore and Negapatam.
35	Order thereon.....	20th do.	Communicated to the Superintendent of Marine.

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1	Right Hon'ble the Secretary of State for India, (Despatch, No. 3 of 1860.)	1860. 14th February	Transmits copy of an Order of Her Majesty in Council, extending the benefits of the Foreign Deserters' Act, 1852, to Ships belonging to the Subjects of the Queen of Spain.
2	Order thereon.....	21st March.	The Order published in the Gazette, and copies of it furnished to certain Officers.
3	Right Hon'ble the Secretary of State for India, (Despatch, No. 5 of 1860.)	14th Feby.	In intimating that the Board of Trade have informed him of the Resolution of the Foreign Office to present Captain Petibon with a Gold Medal; also of their Lordships having awarded a Sextant to Captain Barton of the "Melanie," and a Telescope to Mr. Thompson, his 2nd Mate, in appreciation of their conduct in rescuing the Master (with his wife) and crew of the "Sir Charles Napier" from the Malays, with a request that they may be forwarded to this Government for presentation, desires that the necessary measures may be adopted to give effect to their Lordships' wishes.
4	Order thereon.....	21st March	Copies of the Despatch forwarded to the Superintendent of Marine and to the French Consul. Mr. Franklin directed to ascertain where Captain Barton and Mr. Thompson are at present.
5	Superintendent of Marine....	21st do.	Reports the departure of the "Zenobia" and "Sesostris" for Calcutta. It being understood that the "Sesostris" in tow of a Steam Tug is to convey Madras Troops to Masulipatam, solicits that the Government of India may be requested to permit their being employed afterwards for a trip from Madras to Rangoon and back, to effect the relief of one Regiment.
6	Order thereon.....	22nd do.	A Telegram accordingly despatched.
7	Accountant General.....	21st do.	Forwards a General Roll in duplicate for February, together with 11 Vouchers, for sums realized on account of 2 deceased Seamen.
8	Order thereon.....	23rd do.	Copy of the letter, &c., forwarded to the Secretary of State.
9	Accountant General.....	22nd do.	Reports that he has ascertained that the 4 Invalids of Her Majesty's Ship "Retribution" were provided with Contract passages on the "Candia," the passage money being payable in England.
10	Order thereon.....	24th do.	Communicated to the Superintendent of Marine.
11	Superintendent of Marine...	26th do.	Reports that he intends dispatching the "Governor Higginson" to Negapatam to bring Treasure sent there from Tranquebar and Cuddalore.
12	Order thereon.....	26th do.	Approved.
13	Proceedings of Government.	27th do.	The Superintendent of Marine directed to provide Colonel Lawford with a passage to Negapatam per "Governor Higginson."
14	Senior Officer of the Indian Navy at Calcutta.	21st do.	Solicits to be furnished with a copy of Order permitting Mr. Midshipman Fawcett of the Steam Frigate "Zenobia" to proceed to Europe on Medical Certificate in April 1857.
15	Order thereon.....	28th do.	Copy of Minute, 9th May 1857, No. 193, &c., furnished to Captain Campbell, &c.
16	Under Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department.	5th March...	Intimates the Supreme Government's opinion that, while the Master Attendant should be one of the Examiners <i>ex-officio</i> to conduct the

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17	Order thereon.....	28th March...	examinations of the Masters and Mates of the Mercantile Marine, one paid Examiner will suffice, to whom should be given the fees received, not exceeding Rupees 50 a month, and that, should the arrangement prove inadequate, the subject will be reconsidered.
18	Chief Engineer, Public Works Department.	15th do.....	Communicated to the Superintendent of Marine and the Offices of Account and Audit. The Superintendent directed to state whom he would propose as the single paid Examiner, and, at the end of 6 months, to report how the arrangement has worked.
19	Order thereon.....	28th do.....	Submits Estimate, amounting to Rupees 2,170, for renewing the Deck, Stair-case and Beams of the Flagstaff Tower at Cochin, for sanction on emergency; two-thirds of the expense being debitable to the Port Fund, and the balance defrayed by Government.
20	Superintendent of Marine...	20th do.....	Sanctioned accordingly.
21	Order thereon.....	29th do.....	In submitting Invoice of two 10 inch and two 12 inch Coir Hawsers, solicits that their cost, £101-8-0, be disbursed to Mr. Clark at Galle through the Ceylon Government.
22	To the Colonial Secretary at Colombo.	29th do.....	Directed accordingly.
23	Superintendent of Marine...	21st do.....	Requests the payment of £101-8-0 to Mr. Clark.
24	Order thereon.....	30th do.....	Solicits sanction for the expenses, Rupees 27-4-0, incurred on account of a distressed Seamen E. D'Encourt, late of the "Ann Bridson," who was left in Hospital at Vizagapatam in May 1859, and forwards Statement and Vouchers connected therewith.
25	Superintendent of Marine..	28th do.....	Sanctioned. The statement and vouchers forwarded to the Secretary of State.
26	Order thereon.....	30th do.....	Reports that the "Governor Higginson" has left with small Coins for the Southern maritime districts and is to bring back surplus Treasure; and that, on her return, she will be despatched on similar service to the North as far as Monsoorcottah, &c.
27	Proceedings of Government, Public Works Department.	10th Jany 1859	Approved.
28	Colonel A. Cotton, Commandant of Engineers.	1860 21st March...	Referring correspondence on the subject of the description of boat best adapted for the navigation of Indian Rivers.
29	Order thereon.....	30th do.....	States that he is without any new data on the subject, except those upon which Captain Rundall has written his report, but, as great improvements may be shortly expected, suggests that Captain Haig should be left at liberty to try a variety of boats and engines.
30	To the Secretary to the Government of India.	30th do.....	Copy of Colonel Cotton's letter furnished to Public Works Department, &c.
31	Superintendent of Marine...	23rd do.....	Transmit copies of letters from the Chief Engineer, and Colonel Cotton.
32	Order thereon.....	31st do.....	The Agents of the Bay of Bengal Steam Navigation Company having agreed to the terms proposed to them for a monthly communication with Burmah, suggests, for consideration, whether it would not be advisable to withdraw the Advertisement calling for Tenders.
			Its withdrawal not deemed advisable.