

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Marine DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. <i>126</i>	Press ~~Mis.~~
Dated <i>4-4</i>	18 <i>61</i>

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Marine Department,
4th April 1861.*

No. 7. Read Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India in the Financial Department, dated 28th February 1861, No. 2,341.

Read the following:—

From the Governor of Prince of Wales' Island, Singapore and Malacca, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, Fort William, dated Singapore, 22nd September 1860, No. 188.

I have the honor to request the favor of your soliciting the orders of His Excellency the Governor General in Council, with respect to the claim of Shipping Masters or their Deputies, appointed under the provisions of Act I of 1859, to receive any portion of their salaries during authorized leave of absence.

2. The above Officers, although nominated and controlled by the Government, are dependent on their salaries upon the amount of the fees collected in their respective offices; hence they can hardly be considered as paid Government servants, but rather as temporary employes selected for the discharge of certain duties, and remunerated only when actually in their performance; or, in the case of Officers already in permanent employ, as merely holding an additional charge, all the emoluments of which are forfeited by absence and become the right of the *locum tenens*.

3. Mr. Vaughan, the Master Attendant at this Port, who is also Shipping Master, has recently proceeded to England on sick certificate, and, pending the instructions of the Supreme Government, I have directed one-half of the amount of the salary payable to him from the Shipping Office fees to be held as a deposit in the Treasury.

No. 10,245, FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT, FORT WILLIAM, 9th October 1860.
Forwarded to the Officiating Civil Auditor, Fort William, for report.

From H. D. SANDEMAN, Esq., Officiating Civil Auditor, Fort William, to C. H. LUSHINGTON, Esq., Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, dated 17th October 1860, No. 3,057.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Office docket, No. 10,245, dated the 9th instant, and in reply to state that, in the absence of any rule or precedent to govern the case, the views expressed by His Honor the Governor of the Straits Settlements, regarding the claim of Shipping Masters or their Deputies, appointed under Act I of 1859, to receive any portion of their salaries during authorized leave of absence, appear correct. These salaries, which are dependent upon the amount of fees collected in the respective offices of Shipping Masters or their Deputies, may be regarded as local allowances, which are claimable by the parties performing the duties enjoined in Act I of 1859.

The original letter is herewith returned.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT, FORT WILLIAM, 28th February 1861.

RESOLUTION.—The Governor General in Council concurs in the opinion expressed in the 2nd paragraph of the above letter from the Governor of the Straits Settlements, and directs that it be acted on.

To the Governor of the Straits Settlements.

To the Governments of Madras and Bombay, for information, with a copy of the Governor's letter.

Copy of the same to the Civil Auditors of those Presidencies and of Fort William, for information and guidance.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) C. HUGH LUSHINGTON,
Secretary to the Government of India.

No. 8.

ORDER THEREON, 4th April 1861, No. 126.

Communicated to the Superintendent of Marine and to the Accountant General.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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Communicated to the
Superintendent of Ma-
rine & to the Acct. Genl.

W. M. W.

The Supt. of Marine
, Acct. Genl.

Dep't 4-3-61.
W. M. W.