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Marine DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Marine Department,
7th February 1862.*

No. 7. Read the following letter from J. J. FRANKLIN, Esq., Superintendent of Marine, to the Honorable T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 5th February 1862, No. 332.

On the 29th November last in letter numbered 3,327, I had the honor to apply for the services of one of the Steamers belonging to the Bengal Government, with the view of effecting the movement of certain Corps then under orders for embarkation. In compliance with the telegram then dispatched, the Government of India sent down the Steamer "Sydney," which vessel and the "Sesostris" left Madras on the 18th ultimo with the right wing of the 60th Rifles. They were to leave Rangoon on the 3rd instant, with a wing of the 69th, and may be expected here by about the 9th or 10th.

2. The "Tubal Cain" which vessel was sent to Calcutta on the 24th December with a full cargo of Porter which was urgently called for by the authorities at that Presidency, was to have again sailed for Madras on the 1st instant. Her arrival may be looked for about the 10th or 12th when it is proposed to embark the Head Quarters and left wing of the 60th Rifles in her and the "Coromandel," and send them to Rangoon, the Steamer towing the sailing vessel, and I have to solicit that Commander H. Batt may receive instructions accordingly, and that he may be further directed to await at Rangoon the arrival of the Head Quarters and wing of the 69th and return with them, having the "Tubal Cain" still in tow, to Madras.

3. A telegraphic communication has been received from the Officer Commanding in Pegu intimating that the 69th would not be ready to embark before the 12th March. The "Coromandel" will therefore have to remain some time at Rangoon, and as it is about a year since she has been docked and her bottom is consequently foul, Commander Batt could be directed to take the necessary steps for cleaning her while in port either by docking or by such other means as may be available.

4. On the return of the "Sydney" and "Sesostris" they will be dispatched to Calcutta with the Head Quarters and right wing of the 43rd, after which they will be employed in conveying the 28th N. I. from Cocanada to Rangoon and bringing back the relieved Corps, the 52nd Native Infantry to Madras.

No. 8. ORDER THEREON, 7th February 1862, No. 27.

A copy of this letter will be forwarded to the Commander of the "Coromandel," I. N. The Government request him to carry out the service indicated.

2. While awaiting the arrival of the 69th Regiment for embarkation, Commander Batt is authorized to take whatever steps may be necessary, to have the "Coromandel" docked and cleaned at Rangoon.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

N^o 3200

Madras

Marine Sub^d Office

5th December 1862

From

J. J. Franklin Esq^{re}
Superintendent of Marine

To

The Honorable A. J. Arbutnot Esq^r
Chief Secretary to Government
Marine Department
Fort St^h George

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your official memorandum of the 1st instant N^o 300 desiring that I would report, with reference to His Excellency the Governor's reply to the address from the Cochin Chamber of Commerce, how the surplus dues at Cochin can be most advantageously expended in improving the port.

2 The sum at the credit of the port fund by the latest returns is Rupees 5127-7-11. Of this, 2000 Rupees will

will shortly be required for repairs to boats, for a new lantern and a new topmast to the flagstaff. While at Cochin in the early part of last month I examined the stores and satisfied myself that these repairs and substitutions were needed. The present topmast is rotten and unsafe: the signal lantern is worn out and the one reflector very dull, while the anchor boat will require new coppering. These works will be carried out with as little delay as possible and with about 1500 Rupees which should be retained for contingencies in regard to harbour buoys and moorings will absorb about 3500 Rupees leaving Rupees 1600 as still available for improvements.

3. The feeling of the mercantile community at Cochin appeared to be in favor of a good landing place in a more sheltered position than the jetties now in use on the South bank of the river.

Boat repairs—	1000
New lantern—	500
Topmast—	500

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which with a strong sea breeze are much exposed. Without there being any absolute necessity for a new landing place the construction of a substantial jetty where the boats now land their passengers at the end of the road leading along the river side, would be of much convenience to the port, and I would suggest that the District Engineer should be requested to frame a plan and estimate of one not exceeding in cost say 1000 Rupees which sum could be assigned from the port dues for the purpose.

4. The great necessity of Cochin is a steam tug, on which subject I have addressed Government in a different communication.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Most Obedient Servant

Wm. H. B. B. B.

Superintendent of Marine

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A copy of this letter will be forwarded to the Commander of the "Coromandel" S.N. The Govt request ^{him} to carry out the service indicated.

2. While awaiting the arrival of the 69th Regt. for embarkation, Commander Batt is authorised to take whatever steps may be necessary, to have the "Coromandel" docked,

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These instructions please

To the British the Chief Secretary of the Home Dept with people

dated 5 Dec 73
Recd 6 Dec 73

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Reports upon the reference made to him on the subject of regarding the surplus funds of the Govt in supporting the Govt

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Marine 1862 Dept
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 From
 The Superintendent
 of Marine
 To
 The Chief Secretary
 to Govt
 Marine Dept
 Port St George
 N. 332

dated 5 Feb 1862
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 Reports that the "Sydney" and "Lesotho" on their return from "Bangor" with a wing of the 60th, will be sent to Calcutta with the Head Quarters and Right wing of the 143rd, after which they will be employed in effecting the relief of the 28th and 52nd Regts at S.
 Proposes to embark the left wing of the 60th Regt in the "Subal" and send them to Bangor, and directs that (and) Batt may receive instructions accordingly, also take the necessary steps for cleaning the muzzles while at Bangor.
 With an Order.

I cleared at Bangalore.

The Pilot of Marine } Feb 7th
 " Wily. Deft.
 " Commander of the "Coromandel" S. N.

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