

No. 364

Heading.

oil.

PRESIDENCY PORT OFFICE,

Madras, 13th February 1896.

From

Commander W. J. Powell, R. I. M.

PRESIDENCY PORT OFFICER,

Madras,

To

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

MARINE DEPARTMENT,

Fort Saint George.

SIR,

With reference to G. O. Marine No. 310 dated 4th October 1895, I have the honor to report that oil of 150° test is not procurable at the site of the various minor lights except at Kelli-cherry and Cannanore where the quantities consumed do not make it worth while to change the present method of supply.

There is no means of testing oil at these two ports.

Had the oil been procurable at all the places at approximately Madras rates, the saving would be about Rupees (200) Two hundred per annum.

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Under the present system of ordering larger quantities to be delivered at Tellicherry for issue to Cannanore as well as Tellicherry light, the cost of freight has been reduced and no further reduction is possible.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant

Walter Russell

Commander R. I. M.

Presidency Port Officer.

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