

Marine 1896) DEPARTMENT.

From

THE PRESIDENCY PORT OFFICER,

Madras,

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

PUBLIC WORKS (MARINE) DEPARTMENT,

Madras.

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Dated 22nd } May 1896.
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Subject.

Reporting a fire occurrence
in the hold of the British
Barque "strathmuir" while
at Cochin Roadstead.

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leave the Coast before the advent of the South West
Monsoon.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

H. A. Street

Commander, R. I. M.,
Presidency Port Officer.

Heading.

Ships- Casualties.

No. 1261/174 *ly*

Presidency Port Office,
Madras, 22nd May, 1896.

From

Commdr. H. A. Street, R.I.M.,
Presidency Port Officer,
Madras.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Marine Department,
Chepak.

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint you, for the information of Government, that a fire occurred in the Hold of the British Barque "Strathmuir", 1175 Tons burden, on the morning of the 15th instant, while at anchor in Cochin Roadstead, and was extinguished in about five hours.

2. The usual preliminary enquiry was held by the local Port Officer, who states that the cause of the fire could not be ascertained; that no blame is attached to any one connected with the vessel; that the vessel was loading for New York, and that the cargo on board, at the time, consisted of Cocoanut Oil, Plumbago, Nux Vomica, and bales of Coir; that the damage caused by the fire is estimated at \$100: and that the vessel was uninsured.

3. As no further enquiry appeared necessary, and the Port Officer considered that the vessel could proceed on her voyage, I have sanctioned the vessel obtaining her Port Clearance---the Captain being anxious to leave