

Marine (1898) Department.

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G.O., No. 591 Ma

DATED 7 July '98

Today

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Spec by Monday
2-30 pm*

9/7/98

[Despatch Abstract.]

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G.O., No. 591, 7th July 1898.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper:—

From the Collector of Ganjam, dated 28th June 1898, No. 315-Eng.

ORDER—No. 591, Marine, dated 7th July 1898.

In G.O., No. 367, Marine, dated 11th May 1898, it is laid down, as one of the conditions for working cargo on *healthy* vessels from Calcutta, that ships' crews shall be inspected night and morning. The Collector of Ganjam now applies for a relaxation of this rule in his district. He requests that the night inspection may be dispensed with as it clashes with the Health Officer's duty of supervising the disinfection, on shore, of coolies, &c., who have boarded ships.

2. The Collector also requests that the precaution prescribed in G.O., No. 359, Marine, dated 8th May 1898, viz., that a constable should go off in each boat carrying passengers or cargo, may be dispensed with. He states that the constables, when they get into boats, become useless as they suffer from sea-sickness; and explains that the embarkation of passengers can be watched by constables posted on board and on shore.

3. His Excellency the Governor in Council has no objection, under the circumstances explained, to the relaxation proposed in regard to constables accompanying each boat conveying passengers or cargo, but is not prepared to dispense with the regular night inspection of ships' crews by the Port Health Officer. The coolies and others to be disinfected on shore must be kept until the Health Officer can land.

(True Extract.)

Under Secretary to Government.

To the Presidency Port Officer.
" Collector of Ganjam.
" Local and Municipal Department.

Exd. Md. Pahlvan.

Order

From

The Collector of Ganjam.

R.G.B. No. $\frac{315}{Eng}$ of 1898.Dated 28th June 1898.

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SUBJECT.

Reporting that all the arrangements ordered in G.O. No 382 Marine dated 13th May 1898 are in full working condition and soliciting orders whether one muster of crew daily by the Health Officer is sufficient and the attendance of Police constables in boats is dispensed with.

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Marine (1898) Department.

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G.B. No 315 of 98
Encl

From

E. B. Elwin Esquire I.C.S.
Acting Collector of
Gaujam

To

The Secretary to Government
Marine Department
Madras.

Dated Camp Chakapur 28th June 1898.

Sir,

With reference to G. O. No 473 Marine dated 8th Instant, I have the honor to report that all the arrangements ^{ordered} ~~made~~ in G. O. No 382 Marine dated 13th May 1898 were introduced immediately on receipt of the order and are in full working condition. There was some friction at first at Gopalpore port, as the coolies and boatmen struck work on learning that they would have to be bathed and disinfected, and one steamer had to go away without her cargo. The strike however soon came to an end and things are working well at present.

2. In this connection I request favour

of orders on the following points.

(i) The surf at the ports on this coast is very high at this time of the year, and a trip to steamers is always attended with some risk, especially after nightfall. No one ever thinks of landing from steamers at these ports, except passengers. At the close of the day the coolies, boatmen, and police constables, who have been on board ships have to be disinfected — a duty of the Health Officer which is much more important than the night muster of the crew, with which it is reported to clash. Under these circumstances I would submit that one muster of the crew daily by the Health Officer is quite sufficient and request that orders may be passed accordingly.

(ii) In. G. O No 359 Marine dated 8th May 1898, it is ordered that a constable shall go off in each boat carrying passengers or baggage. The ports in this district are comparatively insignificant and every boat can be watched from shore. Owing to the surf it is found that constables are almost useless on the small boats in use, as they naturally suffer

from

from sea-sickness a great deal. I think that the presence of constables on board the steamer and on the shore will suffice for watching passengers going off to ships, and that their attendance in boats may be dispensed with. I request the favour of early orders.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most obedient Servant

D. Srinivasa Rao
For ag: Collector

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Marine DEPARTMENT.

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HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

THE HON'BLE SIR HENRY BLISS, K.C.I.E.

THE HON'BLE MR. GROSE, C.I.E.

SUBJECT.

Application for relaxation
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FOR ORDERS.

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Under the special circumstances of the present time, the difficulties of transit from ship to shore the relaxation proposed may, I think, be accepted.

W. J. S.
5.7.98

The second, I think, is not the first - The coolies must be kept until the Health Officer can land and inspect them after inspecting the crew, or he may take it the other way round. But I think both should be done.

W. J. S.
6/7/98

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7th Aug

Marine DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in Proceedings:-

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of 1898, dated 4th July, from the Collector of Ganjam.

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The Presidency Port Officer.
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