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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
19th February 1862.*

No. 407. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 18th February 1862,
No. 1,166:—

Read the following letter from J. SILVER, Esq., Collector of Tinnevely, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Chepauk, dated Tinnevely, 10th February 1862, No. 58.

SIR,

1. With reference to the accompanying copy of a letter from the Superintendent of Pearl Banks, I have the honor to request the Board will be pleased to make immediate application to Government for permission to be granted to Captain Pascal, Master Attendant Negapatam, to proceed to Tuticorin for the purpose of filling the post of "Inspector of Pearl Banks," during the Fishery.

2. The post is one of much importance, as the Inspector must be constantly on board the guard Schooner anchored off the Banks that are being fished, having the Sub-Marine Diver with him, and he has to control and direct all operations of the Fishing boats.

3. Captain Pascal ought to be at Tuticorin by the 25th instant, so no time is now to be lost. He has already communicated his willingness to serve to Captain Phipps.

4. I further request that a reply to this letter may be sent to me by telegraph.

1. Ordered to be submitted to Government for their consideration and orders.

2. Mr. Silver has submitted the application in so crude a form that the Board hesitate to express an opinion upon it, but they observe that no provision is made for the performance of Captain Pascal's duties in his absence from his own post; that it is not explained how he can be spared so long from it; nor is any reason assigned for applying for his services in particular, or for proposing to give him his own pay in addition to the salary assigned to the Inspector of Pearl Banks during the Fishery, viz., Rupees 300 per mensem, and which it is to be supposed was originally considered to be sufficient remuneration for the duty.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary.*

No. 408. ORDER THEREON, 19th February 1862, No. 367.

The Board will obtain fuller information from the Collector without delay. Meanwhile the Marine Department will be requested to ascertain whether Captain Pascal's services can be temporarily spared. The fixed salary of the office of the Inspector of Pearl Banks, viz., Rupees 300 monthly certainly seems quite sufficient, and the Collector must show good cause before more can be given to Captain Pascal.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

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