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## *Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department.*
## *8th August* 1867.

No. 209. Read the following letter from the Acting Superintendent of Marine, to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Marine Department, dated Madras, 26th July 1867, No. 2,623 :—

1. I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of the Proceedings of Government, in the Marine Department, No. 185, of the 18th instant, (received on the 24th) and with reference to the 4th paragraph of the Order, to observe that a lantern for the proposed light-house at Cape Comorin was included in the general Indent forwarded with this Office letter No. 1,373, of date 8th April last, plan and specification of which will no doubt be furnished by the Secretary of State for India when the Indent is complied with.

2. I may, however, here remark that the light proposed to be supplied will be a revolving dioptric white light, of the fourth order, similar to the one already furnished for Hope Island, Coringa, at a cost of Rupees 4,306-15-0, including freight.

3. The Travancore Government having declined to erect the light-house, I would respectfully suggest that Government, in the Public Works Department, should issue the necessary orders to the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, (whose district lies nearest to the territories of His Highness the Maharajah) to furnish a plan and detailed estimate of a column from which to exhibit the light.

4. The site for its erection should be selected on high ground, and the light displayed at an elevation of 150 feet from the level of the sea. Accommodation will be required for a European Superintendent and five Native light-keepers, and also for the stowage of stores, &c. A small building, containing two rooms and a cooking place, would suffice for the former, while a small but substantially built range of out-houses would shelter the light-keepers.

5. In conclusion I would observe that the cost of the light-house will have to be met from Imperial funds, there being no Port Funds available.

Transferred to the Public Works Department.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
31*st July* 1867.

(Signed) R. S. ELLIS,
*Acting Chief Secretary.*

No. 210. ORDER THEREON, 8th August 1867, No. 2,415.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 30.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer of the 8th Division, who will be requested, with reference to paragraphs 3 and 4, to submit a plan and estimate for the proposed light-house at Cape Comorin.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. H. M. SHAW STEWART, Major, R.E.,
*Under Secretary to Government.*

To the Superintending Engineer, 8th Division.
,, Marine Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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## *Proceedings of the Madras Government, Marine Department,*
## *18th July* 1867.

No. 65. Read the following letter from the Resident in Travancore and Cochin, to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George ; dated Trevandrum, 1st July 1867, No. 35.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Proceedings of the Madras Government, No. 103, of the 13th May last, requesting me to ascertain the views of His Highness the Maharajah of Travancore regarding the erection of a light-house at Cape Comorin.

2. The subject has been duly placed before His Highness the Maharajah, and the conclusion arrived at by His Highness is, that as a costly light-house has already been erected by this State at Alleppy, the Commercial Capital of Travancore, and as Cape Comorin has no port, the interests of the Travancore trade scarcely warrant the undertaking at the cost of this State, and that His Highness would prefer that the work should be done by the Government, as part of the imperial arrangements for lighting the coast, particularly as His Highness is prepared to expend about half a lakh of Rupees in the construction of an iron screw pile pier at Alleppy to improve the shipping conveniences of that port, which has paramount claims upon the consideration of the Sirkar.

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No. 66 ORDER THEREON, 18th July 1867, No 185.

In this letter the Resident of Travancore and Cochin reports that he has submitted the question of the erection of a light-house at Cape Comorin, in the Travancore territory, for the consideration of the Travancore Government.

2. His Highness the Maharajah of Travancore having in view the expense which that State has recently incurred in erecting a light-house at Alleppy, at which port His Highness is also about to construct an iron pile pier, is not prepared to construct a light-house at Cape Comorin.

3. The decision of the Travancore Government will be communicated to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, with reference to paragraph 3 of the letter of Government, Marine Department, to the Secretary of State, dated 17th May last, with a request that a light for Cape Comorin may be added to the indent submitted for lights for other ports of the Madras Presidency.

4. The Superintendent of Marine will be directed to furnish, without delay, a specification and estimate of the cost of the light required at Cape Comorin.

(True Extract).

*Signed* B Sullis
*Acting Chief Secretary.*

To the Resident, Travancore and Cochin.
,, Superintendent of Marine.

Ed J. Tulloch.

Madras
Marine Supt.ts Office
26th July 1867.

No. 2623

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Acting Superintendent of Marine

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Fort Saint George

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H. D. L. Dalrymple
Ag. Superintendent of Marine

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No 2415

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Lt & Asst Engr
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To the Public Works Department
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R M Ellis
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Observes that a location for the proposed light House at Cape Comorin was included in the general Scheme and in letter No 1373 of 8 April last. The plan & specification will no doubt be furnished by the Secy of State when the Scheme is completed with & offers certain suggestions

No 2415 - 8th August 1867

Write accordingly

Transferred.

No 209-210
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