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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 9th July 1869.

No. 212. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Marine Department:—

Issuing orders relative to the adjustment of the sums disbursed under G. O., No. 124, of 1869, to the Master Attendant, Cochin, and to the two Clerks of his office. (Here enter 29th June 1869, No. 153.)

No. 213. ORDER THEREON, 9th July 1869, No. 2,235.

ACCOUNT, No. 14.

THE proportion of the charge to be borne by the Public Works Department, will be debited to the grant of Rupees 10,000 sanctioned in G. O. No. 1,261, dated 16th April 1869, for the protective works at Cochin.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Marine Department, 28th May 1869.

No. 58. Read the following letter from the Master Attendant, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George ; dated Madras, 14th May 1869, No. 3037.

Administrative Department.

With reference to the Orders of Government, dated 16th April 1869,* transferring the charge of the works at Cochin from the Master Attendant to an Officer of the Public Works Department, I have the honour respectfully to submit to Government a recommendation that the special services rendered by Captain Castor should be specially recompensed.

* Public Works Department, No. 1261.

2. It is well-known to Government that, when the town of Cochin was in imminent danger from the sudden inroads of the sea, Captain Castor, under the orders of Government, organized a large establishment and appliances to meet the emergency. To do this, and thus to save the town and lighthouse from destruction, he had not only to carry out, in the face of the south-west monsoon, groynes of great strength, but also to quarry and bring from a distance of twelve miles up the river the stones required for this purpose.

3. While these works were in progress under the sole supervision of Captain Castor, he was called upon to meet another difficulty, the sea having broken through the narrow spit of land on the Vypeen side of the harbour into the backwater, and had he not at once stopped the gap, it would have become as wide as the breach at the "Cruz Milagree," and as destructive in its results to the harbour of Cochin.

4. In carrying out these important works, during a period of thirteen months, not a single paid Overseer was employed, nor an extra boat charged for. Captain Castor made use of his own private boats in taking soundings, and in watching afloat the results of the protective measures in progress. He superintended the quarrying and transit of stone, and the construction of tramways, carts, &c., &c., and this in addition to all his office work.

5. Having thus, as concisely as possible, brought to the notice of Government the great powers of organization as well as the unflagging energy of Captain Castor, I beg leave most respectfully to recommend that his good services may be requited by a gratuity of Rupees (2600) two thousand and six hundred, (Rupees 200 per month for thirteen months,) and that three months' pay be granted to each of his two Clerks, who, besides all their office work, superintended the weighing of stones from the quarries, and the passing of them at all hours of the day on both sides of the harbour.

No. 59. ORDER THEREON, 28th May 1869, No. 124.

His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to sanction a special grant of Rupees 1050 to Captain Castor, Master Attendant, Cochin, on account of the additional work undertaken by him in directing the Cochin Harbour Works. A grant of three months' pay is also sanctioned for the two Clerks in the Cochin Master Attendant's Office, who were employed on these works in addition to their ordinary duties.

(True Extract).

Signed R. H. Ellis
Chief Secretary.

To the Master Attendant, Madras.
" Accountant General.

Ed. J. Wright.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Marine Department, 29th June 1869.

No. 34. Read the following letter from the Master Attendant, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George ; dated Madras, 22nd June 1869, No. 3775.

Administrative Department.

The Government having, in the order recorded in their Proceedings marginally noted, sanctioned a special grant of (1200) one thousand and two hundred Rupees to the Master Attendant, Cochin, and two of his clerks on account of the additional work undertaken by them in connexion with the Cochin groynes, I have the honour to solicit the orders of Government to the adjustment of this amount in the same proportions as the cost of the works themselves, viz., one-fourth to be borne by the General Port Fund and the remainder by the Public Works Department.

No. 121, dated 28th May 1869.

No. 35. ORDER THEREON, 29th June 1869, No. 153.

Ordered accordingly that the sums disbursed under G. O., 28th May last, No. 124, to the Master Attendant, Cochin, and to the two clerks of his office, be adjusted in the proportions proposed in the foregoing letter, viz., one-fourth to be borne by the General Port Fund and the remaining three-fourths by the Public Works Department.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Public Works Department, with copy of Proceedings, No. 124.

,, Master Attendant, Madras.

,, Accountant General.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government
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The proportion of the charge to be borne by the Public Works Department, will be debited to the grant of Rs. 10000 sanctioned in G.O. No. 1261 dated 16th April 1869 for the protective works at Cochin -

To
7 The S. Engr. 7th Div
2 Officer in ch: of P.W. Operations at Cochin
4 Comptroller of P.W. Accts
11 Marine Dept

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