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Public works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
3rd July 1872.*

No. 56. Read the following letter from the Master Attendant, Administrative Department, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 5th June 1872, No. 3,157:—

WITH reference to Order of Government, Public Works Department, dated 3rd June 1872,* I have the honour to refer Government to my letter, dated 5th May 1871† which was written immediately after a consultation held with Mr. Robertson, Harbour Engineer, after his visit to Cocanada.

* No 12.

† No. 2,703.

2. He first suggested a floating light, but on my explanation that in this country it would be much more expensive in the long run than a stone or iron light-house, and would be liable to be blown adrift in gales of wind, and thereby for a time rendered useless, he agreed with me: to save time I sent in that report to Government. In Mr. Robertson's printed report he has evidently forgotten this, and reverted to his original proposal.

3. I have just received a letter from Captain Castor, suggesting the purchase of the hull of a French barque of 280 tons burthen which was dismasted during the late gale, and is now lying at Cocanada, and to be sold by auction on the 10th instant. He thinks it might be utilized by Government as a light ship.

4. I cannot recommend her purchase, as I think a reference to Mr. Robertson may alter his decision regarding a floating light.

No. 57. ORDER THEREON, 3rd July 1872, No. 1,596.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 1.

ORDERED that a copy of this letter and of the papers printed with G. O., No. 146, dated 25th May 1872, (Marine Department,) be forwarded to Mr. Robertson for report.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Master Attendant, Madras.
,, Marine Department.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
OOTACAMUND, 3rd July 1872.

No. 58.

No. 1,597.

To

G. ROBERTSON, Esq.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 2.

SIR,—Adverting to the proposal made in your report on the Harbours of the Madras Presidency for placing a floating light off Hope Island, I am directed by His Excellency the Governor in Council to forward, for such observations as you may desire to offer, the accompanying letters from the Master Attendant, Madras, in which he states that it was decided in consultation with you to recommend, instead of the present Light-house on the south side of the island, the substitution of a new Light-house "about five miles to the northward and eastward, either on a dry patch of shoal or a little further out from the shore, on piles in six feet water," and not a floating light.

2. I am to add that action on these proposals will be suspended, pending the receipt of your report.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

Govt. of 1872 Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

To

G. ROBERTSON, Esq.

Dated July 3rd.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 3rd July 1872, No. 1397.

JULY

No. 58

Forwarding, with remarks, correspondence from the Master Attendant, Madras, relative to the proposed Light-house off Hope Island.

Administrative Department.

Madras.

Marine Office.

5th June 1872.

N^o 3157.

From

The Master Attendant

Administrative Department

Madras.

To

The Secretary to Government

Public Works Department

Fort Saint George.

Sir

With reference to order of Government, Public Works Department,

* N^o 12. dated 3rd June 1872, I have the honour to refer Government to my letter dated

* N^o 2703.

25th May 1871, which was written immediately after a consultation held with Mr. Robertson, Harbour Engineer, after his visit to Cocanada.

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would be much more expensive in

the long run than a stone or iron light

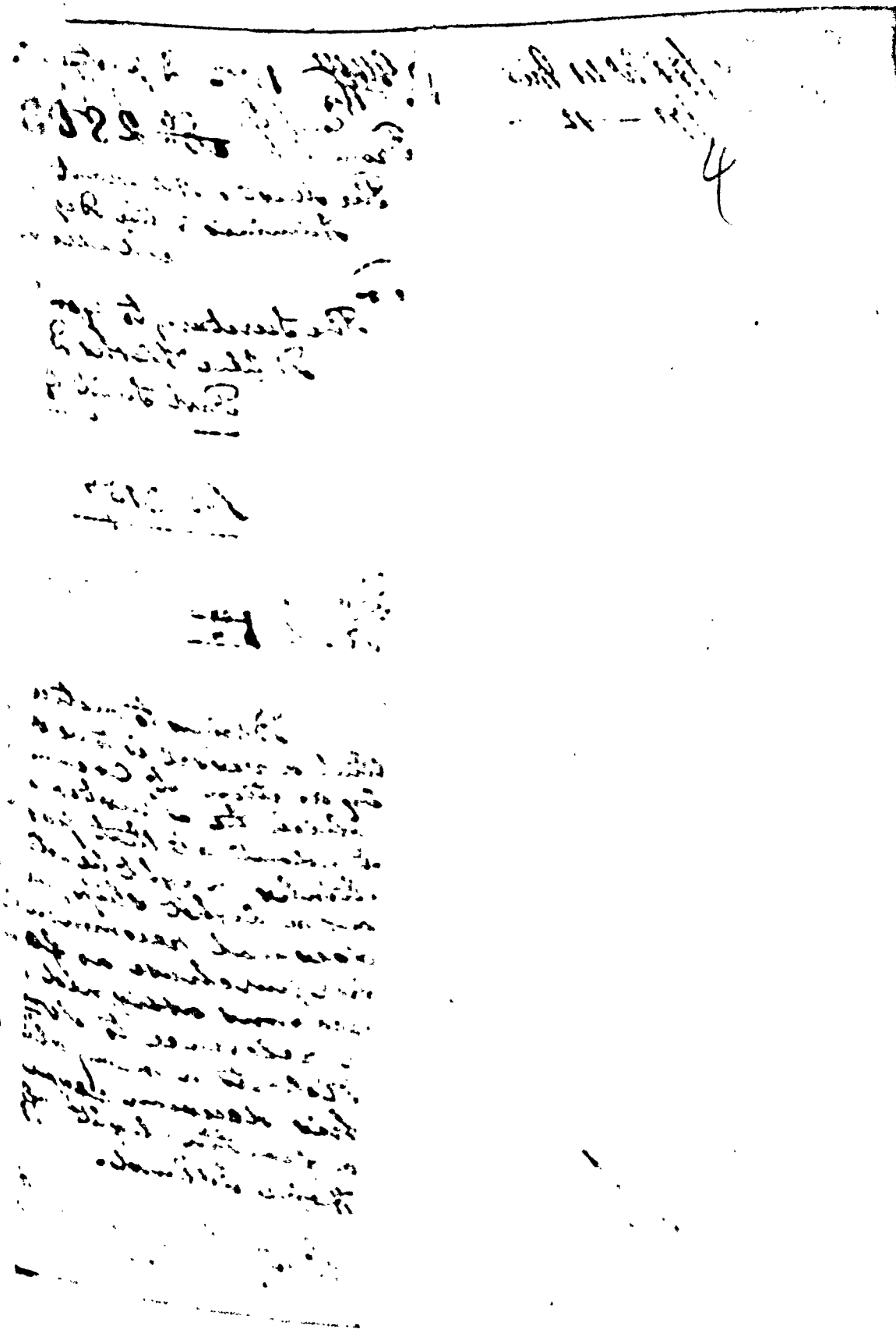
Light-house, and would be liable to be blown adrift in gales of wind, and thereby for a time rendered useless, he agreed with me:— to save time I sent in that report to Government. In Mr. Robertson's printed Report he has evidently forgotten this, and re-verted to his original proposal.

3- I have just received a letter from Captain Cartor, suggesting the purchase of the Hull of a French Barque of 280 tons burthen, which was dismasted during the late gale, and is now lying at Cocanada, and to be sold by auction on the 10th instant. He thinks it might be utilized by Government as a Light-ship.

4- I cannot recommend her purchase, as I think a reference to Mr. Robertson may alter his decision regarding a floating light.

I have the honour to be,
Your most obedient Servant

W. D. S. Dalrymple
Master Attendant
Administrative Department



of the Madras Presid

No 6 June 1872
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1872. Department.
From 2803
The Master Attendant
Administrative Dept.
Madras.

To
The Secretary to Govt.
Public Works Dept.
Fort Sanit. George

No 3157.

Dated 5th June 1872.
Recd. 8th

Brings to notice
that a vessel is to be sold
by auction at Coimbatore
which the Master At-
tendant at that port
thinks might be utilized
as a light ship, but
does not recommend
her purchase as for
reasons assigned thinks
a reference to Mr.
Robertson may alter
his decision regarding
a floating light off
Hope Island.

No 56

Adm. from 605 29 June 72

No 1596. 1593. 3rd July 72

Master Attendant
Administrative Dept.

No 1596
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Ordered that a
copy of this letter and
of the papers printed
with L. O. No. 146 dated
25th May 1871- (Marine
Department) be forward-
ed to Mr. Robertson for
report.

No 1597a

To
The Master Attendant
Madras.
Marine Dept.

G. Robertson Esq.
Sir.

Adverting to the
proposal made in your
report on the Harbours
of the Madras Presidency
for

for placing a floating light
off Hope Island, I am
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the Governor in Council
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companying letters
from the Master Attor-
ney, Madras, in which
he states that it was
decided in consultation
with you to recommend
instead of the "fixed
Light House" on the
south side of the island,
the substitution of a
new "Light House" about
five miles to the north-
ward and eastward -
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of shoal or a little
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G. W.

Ch. 2873

Govt. of 1872; Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

The Master of the

Dated

Recd.

Encl

3 July 1872 1596-1597.

Nos. 56-57-58

Light House off Cape
Island. Vaping orders
in letter from the Master
Montant relative to
the Light House off Cape
Island.

Old from 24-2-1872