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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

21st July 1879, No. 1,916-A W.

General.
Establishment.

Read the following paper :—

✓ No. 130-A. Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Judicial Department, dated 20th July 1879, No. 1,696.

Read the following telegram from the Inspector-General of Police, Rajahmundry, dated 19th July 1879 :—

"*Shamrock* was sent ahead from Poorshataputnam at 5 A.M. sixteenth by Captain Barber unknown to Fawcett. *Godavari* left at 9 hoping to overtake her, but owing to bad wood failed. Had *Godavari* been leading she would probably have been taken too as her crew would have jumped overboard when attacked. Detailed report by post. I think Walch should be directed to make the steamer as far as possible defensible and better protected."

COMMUNICATED to the Public Works Department with reference to the concluding remark. It is understood that instructions have already been sent to Dowlaishvaram on the subject.

2. The following note by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief is appended for information :—

"I believe that rope may be well used for the protection of bulwarks and sides of a vessel after the fashion adopted by the Russians in making mantlets for their battery guns at Sebastopol. I believe that rope thus adapted would be lighter and more easily handled than any other description of defensive armour, and it is well established that it will resist musketry fire. I would ask the Captain of the steamer how much rope he required to be adapted to the purpose."

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Public Works Department.

Telegram from Colonel J. MULLINS, R.E., Chief Engineer for Irrigation, to G. T. WALCH, Esq., Rajahmundry, dated 18th July 1879.

TAKE immediate steps to protect from musketry all steamers available for taking Police and Troops up river. For *Godavari* Wurda probably wall of firewood logs from gunwale to upper deck six inch logs fastened to uprights with smaller sticks over interstices would do. Steersmen to be similarly protected and machinery. Mantlets of three inch sticks to protect hull plates above water. Use any suitable material available. Similar protection to be applied to other steamers. Provide loopholes through logs.

No. 130-B. ORDER THEREON, 21st July 1879, No. 1,916-A W.

COMMUNICATED to the Superintending Engineer, First Circle.

2. Ordered also that the following telegram be despatched to the Executive Engineer, Dowlaishyaram :—

"Commander-in-Chief suggests rope mantlets for protecting steamers from musketry as lighter and more easily handled than any other description defensive armour. Rope two or two half inches diameter suitable for single thickness, or smaller rope double thickness. Rope mantlets are made something like verandah chinks, but with successive layers quite close. Is suitable rope available. If not what area has to be protected."

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. H. SANKEY, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, First Circle.
" Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
" Judicial Department.

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Judicial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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Order thereon 20 July 1879 M. 1696

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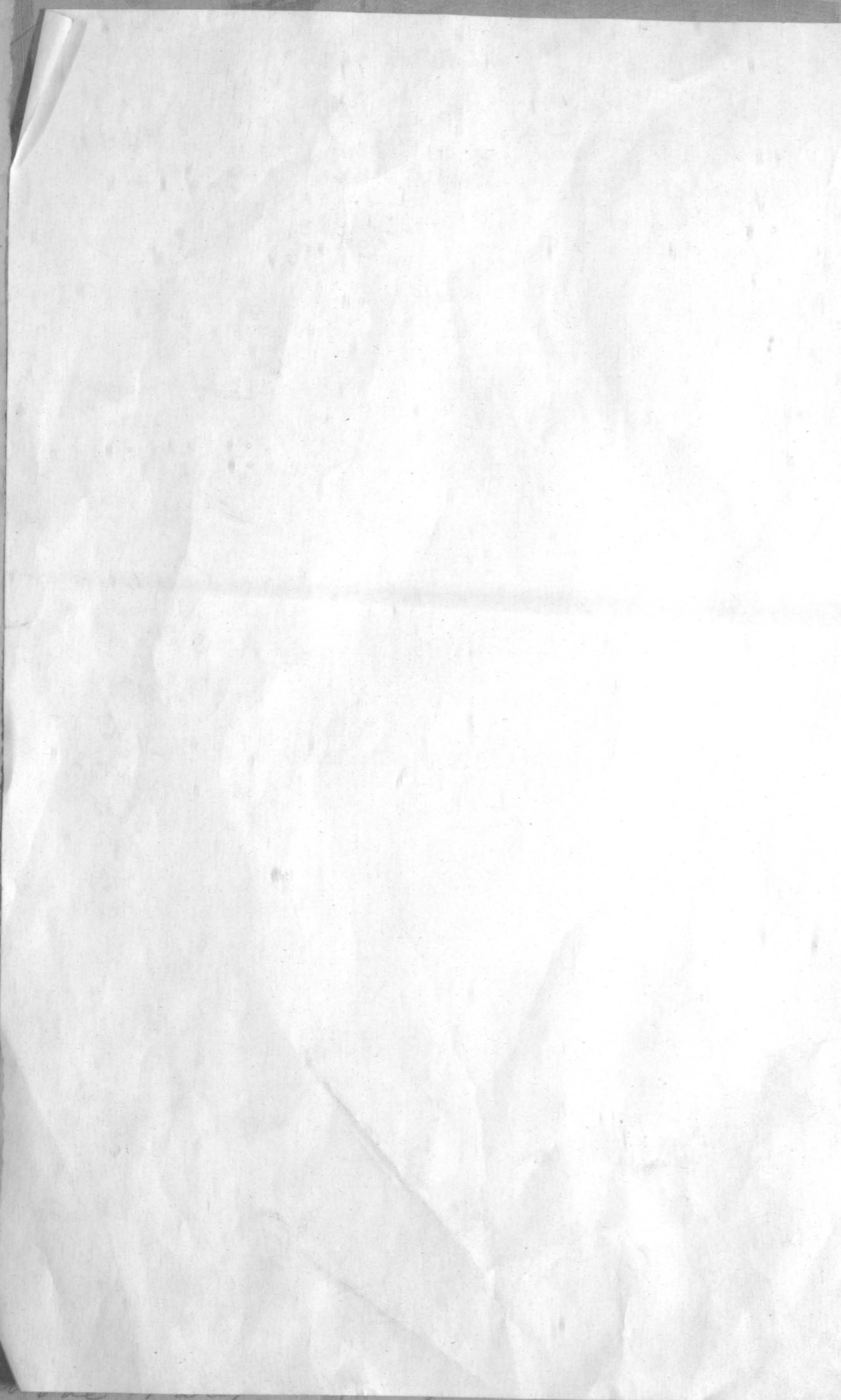
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Public Works Department.

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Under date the 21st July 1879.

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Proceedings of the Madras Govt. Ind. Dept.

(H.C. No. 1696 of 19th July 79.)

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