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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 874 Press Mis.

Dated 8th July 1859.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, from 2d to 8th July 1859.

No. 5. Read the following letter from Dr. E. KELAART, Staff Surgeon and Senior Medical Officer; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department; dated Trincumalie, 18th June 1859.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of printed copy of Proceedings of the Madras Government containing Memorandum on the Tinnevelly Pearl Banks by John J. Franklin, Esq., and the Government order thereon dated 4th June 1859, No. 747, and I have to beg that you will be so good as to convey to His Excellency the Governor my thanks for the confidence reposed on me as Naturalist for determining the age and condition of the Pearl Oysters of Tinnevelly, and that I shall be ready (if leave of absence is obtained for me from the Ceylon authorities) to render the necessary aid when called upon to do so.

In the mean time I should like to be informed when the Pearl Banks are to be inspected The communication between this Port and Tutacoreen is long and not frequent, but if timely notice is given and proper arrangements made I could go overland to Columbo (a journey of 7 or 8 days) and from thence embark for Tutacoreen, between which Ports there will soon be frequent communication by Steam.

Ordered in consequence that the following letter be despatched.

No. 6. From J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department; to Dr. E. KELAART, Staff Surgeon and Senior Medical Officer, Trincumalie; dated 2nd July 1859, No. 874.

I am directed to acknowledge your letter of the 18th Ultimo. The Honorable the Governor in Council directs me to acquaint you in reply that on further consideration, this Government has resolved to depend on its own officers for information as to the Tinnevelly Pearl Banks and the means of making them productive, and that it will not therefore call on you for assistance. I am desired to acknowledge the ready and cordial manner in which the former wish of this Government to avail itself of your services has been responded to by you.

Rev. Dept.

From L. B. Bowditon Esqr
Secretary to Govt. Rev Dept

Fort St. George
2nd July 1859

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