

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
16th September 1862.*

Read the following Memoranda:—

No. 314. Read the following Official Memorandum from W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Madras, 10th May 1862, No. 278.

As desired by Government in their Proceedings of the 10th March 1862, No. 516, the Secretary to the Board of Revenue has the honor to forward an amended Tabular Statement of the present and proposed establishment of the Pearl Fishery in Tinnevely.

By Order,
(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary.*

No. 315. Official Memorandum from W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, to the Honorable T. PYCROFT, Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 20th August 1862, No. 632.

As requested in the Chief Secretary's Memorandum of 14th August 1862, the undersigned has the honor to forward a Memorandum containing the information indicated in the Circular, from the Government of India, dated 15th March 1862, regarding the increase sanctioned in the Government Order, dated 30th January 1862, to the salary of Captain Phipps from 300 to 350 Rupees per month. Of the 350 Rupees, 200 are chargeable to the Marine Department, that being the salary of the Master Attendant, and the remainder Rupees 150 to the Pearl Fishery. A sum of Rupees 1,800 has been provided in the Budget for 1862-63 under 1 Land Revenue 2 Sayer, Pearl Fishery, to meet the charge in question, but no provision whatever appears to have been made on that account in the Budget for 1861-62, as the increase was sanctioned only in the Order of Government, dated 30th January 1862. It is not certain whether the extra pay of Rupees 100 formerly drawn by Captain Phipps was provided in the Budget under the head of Marine. The pay due from March 1861 to March 1862 at 150 Rupees a month, being an arrear charge, should, it is believed, be met from savings in the Budget of 1861-62; under the head of Sayer or any other head in communication with the Accountant General.

By Order,
(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary.*

No. 316. ORDER THEREON, 16th September 1862, No. 2,009.

1. The amended Tabular Statement will be forwarded to the Government of India with an application for their sanction to the increase to Captain Phipps' pay which was authorized in Government Order No. 142, dated 30th January 1862.

2. In the Memorandum which accompanies the latter of the foregoing papers it is stated that this increase should have retrospective effect from 1st March 1861. The Government in authorizing it had no such intention, or they would not at the same time have sanctioned the disbursement to Captain Phipps of so handsome a gratuity as Rupees 2,000. The sanction of the Government of India will be applied for to have effect from the 1st January 1862.

3. Ordered that the following leer be despatched:—

(Signed) P. P. HUTCHINS,
Acting Deputy Secretary to Government.

No. 317. From T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, to the Secretary to the Government of India, dated 16th September 1862, No. 2,010.

SIR,

Procs. Board of Revenue, 2nd May 1861, No. 2,251.
" " " 1st July " " 3,410 with letter
from Collector of Tinnevely, 10th June 1861, No. 216.
Procs. Board of Revenue, 16th August 1861, No. 4,479.
" of Government, 30th January 1862, No. 142.
" Board of Revenue, 5th July 1862, No. 4,390.
" of Government, 31st July 1862, No. 1,634.

1. I am directed to forward, for submission to the Government of India, the papers noted in the margin on the subject of the Pearl Fisheries which were held under the supervision of the Collector of Tinnevely during the years 1861 and 1862.

2. The Fishery of 1861 commenced at the beginning of March, but, in consequence of interruptions from bad weather, it did not close till past the middle of April. It resulted in a net profit to Government of Rupees 2,21,861.* That of 1862 was on a smaller scale as had been anticipated, but it yielded a clear profit of Rupees 1,10,619.†

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5. On both occasions the Collector has made prominent mention in his reports of the zeal and diligence shown by Captain Phipps, the Master Attendant of Tuticorin. This Officer was appointed in 1859 to the immediate charge of the Pearl Banks, and under his personal superintendence all the recent inspections of the banks and other operations connected with them have been conducted. In consideration of the extra duty and responsibility thus devolving on him, the Collector of Tinnevely, in April 1860, recommended that his pay, as Master Attendant should be raised from 200 to Rupees 350 a month. The Government however, as will be seen

† To Government of India, 28th April 1860, No. 677.
From do. 23rd June „ „ 1,321, Home Department.

from the correspondence noted in the margin,† authorized an increase of only 100 Rupees which received the confirmation of the Government of India; but in granting this sanction this Government promised to consider Captain Phipps' claim to a further increase after a successful Fishery.

6. Accordingly, while reviewing the Revenue Board's Report on the Fishery of 1861, the Government formally appointed § Captain Phipps to be Superintendent of Pearl Banks off the coasts of Madura and Tinnevely in addition to his office of Master Attendant, and in consideration of the very onerous and responsible duties thus assigned to him, they raised his pay from Rupees 300 to Rupees 350 per mensem, the amount originally recommended by the Collector. The Government have had under their consideration a proposal to allow Captain Phipps a high rate of temporary pay during the Fisheries, but they are of opinion that a permanent increase of salary is a better mode of remuneration.

7. Under these circumstances I am directed to request the confirmation of the Government of India to this sanction as exhibited in the accompanying Tabular Statement. The change will involve a permanent increase of Rupees 50 per mensem, commencing from the 1st January last, and payable from general funds, as the sums realized from the Pearl Fisheries are carried to the credit of Government. Provision has been made in the Budget for 1862-63 (under 1 Land Revenue, 2 Sayer Pearl Fishery) for the payment of the increased salary during the current year leaving only 150 Rupees to be met from the savings in the Budget of 1861-62.

Revenue Department.—Statement of Establishment recommended for the sanction of the Government of India.									
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From

J. Silver Esq.
Collector

To

W. Hudleston Esq.
Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort St. George.

Sir,

With reference to the Proceedings
of the Board of Revenue dated 22 March
1862 N^o 1919, I have the honor to return duly
verified the accompanying Tabular State-
ment of the Establishment of the Pearl
Fishery in this District with the Columns
of Revenue and Charges for the past four
years filled up as requested.

2. The period during which the
Cavulgar and Peon were employed for guarding
the Pearl Fishery Buildings, should be from
3. May 1861, to 24th February 1862.

Tinnevely
28th April 1862 }

I have &c.
/ signed / J. Silver
Collector
/ True Copy /

W. Hudleston
Secretary

L. W. Murch

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Statement of Present and Proposed Establishment for the Pearl Fishery in Tinnevely.

		Revenue.		Charges.		Total		Net						
		years.	Ordinary	Extraordinary	Ordinary	Extraordinary	Ordinary	Extraordinary	Surplus	Deficit.				
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		1859/60	"	"	"	1437	"	1437	"	"				
		1860/61	"	2458 66	"	72 49	"	72 49	2386 17	"				

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From 30 May 1861 to 24 February 1862.

Signed J. Silver Collector

True Copy [Signature] Secretary.

Tinnevely 28th April 1862.

22nd March 1862
The Officer in Charge, Tinnevely.

Pro: 10th March 1862 No. 129-130.

Rev: 186.
No. 1382.
The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

The Secretary to
Government P.O.
10th May 1862
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No. 278.
Forwarding an amended
circular statement of the present
and proposed establishment
of the Pearl Fishery in
Tinnivelly.

S. O. No. 2009. 16 Sept 62

No. 314.

20 Sept 62

Memo containing information indicated in the
Circular from the Government of India dated 15th
March 1862 in reference to the application for
increasing the salary of the Master Attendant
Captain Dights from 100 to 150 Rs per month
on account of Pearl fishery in Tinnivelly.

- 1 The increase is to take effect from 1 March 1862.
- 2 Provided for in the Budget for 1862-63
the amount of the pay due for that year.
- 3 Under 1 Land Revenue 2 Sayer Pearl fishing.
- 4 The charge to be permanent.
- 5 & 6. No saving
- 7 The monthly charge is Rs. 150.
- 8 Payable from general funds, the amount
realized from Pearl fishery being carried
to the credit of Government.

Secretary

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Revenue Department
 No. 2009.
 Proceedings of the Madras Government
 Under date the 15th Sept 1862.

Read the following Memo from the Secretary to the Bd. of Revenue.
 (Here enter 10th May 1862 No. 278.)
 Forwarding an amended Tabular Statement of the Pearl Fishery Establishment.
 (Here enter 20th August 1862 No. 632.)
 Furnishing information regarding the increase sanctioned to Captain Phipps pay. —

The amended Tabular Statement will now be forwarded to the Govt of India with an application for their sanction to the increase to Capt. Phipps pay who was authorized in G.O. No. 42 of 30 Jan 1861.

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3. Ordered that the following letter be despatched: —

To the Secy to the Govt of India J.P.
 (Here enter 16th Sept 1862 No. 2009.)

The enclosed is the amended statement of the Pearl Fishery Establishment, which Capt. Phipps, and I have been authorized to present to the Govt of India from the 1st Jan 1862. I have also been authorized to present the same to the Govt of India from the 1st Jan 1862. I have also been authorized to present the same to the Govt of India from the 1st Jan 1862.

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Rev: 2370/62.

Enclosed in a Memo from the Secy to the Govt of India
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Revenue Department
No. 2010. 9-10

To

The Secretary to the Government of India

Sir,

I am directed to forward for submission to the

Pro. B^d of Rev. 2^d May 1861 No. 2251.
" 1st July " " 3410.

with letter from Coll^r of Tinnevely Government of India the papers
Pro. B^d of Rev. 16th June 1861 No. 246.
Pro. B^d of Rev. 16th Aug^t 1861 No. 4479.
Pro. off^r 30th January 1862 No. 142.
" B^d of Rev. 8 July " " 4390.
" of Gov^t 31st " " " 1634.

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Revenue 1862-63
200 of Gov^t for 1861

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200 of Gov^t for 1864

Statement
of the present proposed
establishment of the
Tinnevely Pearl Fishery
submitted to the
Government

Revenue
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No 3140316

a clear profit of Rs. 10,619,
~~occupying 21 days.~~

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1862 -	129,003 -	18,384 -	110,619 -

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To Govt of India 28th April 1860 No 677
 From --- Do --- 23rd June --- 1321
 Home Depart^{mt}

No 30th January 1862
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this sanction this Government
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 Phipps' claim to a further in-
 crease after a successful
 Fishery.
 Accordingly while
 reviewing the Revenue Board's
 report on the Fishery of 1861
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 Captain Phipps Superintendent
 of Pearl Banks off the Coasts
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Tabular Statement.

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cing from the 1st January

last, and payable from general

Funds, as the sums realized

from the Pearl Fisheries are

carried to the credit of Govt.

Provision has been made in

the Budget for 1862-63 (under

1 Land Rev: 2 Sayer Pearl

Fishery) for the payment of the

increased salary during the

current year leaving only 150

Rs. to be met from the Savings

in the Budget of 1861-62.

see note in the Budget
for 1862-63
- to show how
to on the 1st Jan 1862
which

From St. George
16th Sept 62

C. S. L. P. 12/62

Revenue Department. Statement of Establishment in this Department recommended for the sanction of the Govt. of India

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On the Pearl Fisheries

Pro. 10 March 1862 No. 129-130

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To The Secretary to the
Govt. of India.

26th September 1862.

From the Secretary to the Govt.
of India. d/ 23 To by 23. C. 566.
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