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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department.
11th August 1865.

No. 180. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Public Department:—

Forwarding copy of a Despatch from Secretary of State on the report of this Government, relating to the ravages occasioned by the hurricane of the 1st November last, in the Town and Fort of Masulipatam. } (Here enter 5th August 1865, No. 821.)

No. 181.

Miscellaneous.

ORDER THEREON, 11th August 1865, No. 1,865.

Communicated to the Board of Revenue for their information.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Acting Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue, with Proceedings Public Department, No. 821.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 22. Read the following Despatch from the Right Honorable Sir C. WOOD, Bart., Secretary of State for India, to His Excellency the Honorable the Governor in Council, Fort Saint George; dated India Office, London, 30th June 1865, No. 17.

I have read with great and painful interest the details of the ravages occasioned by the hurricane of the 1st November last in the Town and Fort of Masulipatam, transmitted with your Despatch, dated the 21st February, No. 5 of 1865. The accounts which you forward, while they exhibit the great and sudden dangers and difficulties of the night, place in a most advantageous light the zeal, energy and perseverance with which they were encountered by all branches of the services and residents who were on the spot, or whose duties brought them within the sphere of action.

2. With regard to the particular measures which you bring under my notice, I can only say that they have my approval.

3. The means adopted for the prevention of the out-break of any epidemic disease, comprehending the improved system of drainage, as well as the measures for ensuring a supply of good water, appear to have been most judicious.

4. I agree with Mr. Ellis and Mr. Thornhill in the expediency of retaining the Port of Masulipatam as a Civil Station, and I await the report of the Commander-in-Chief as to its retention as a station for Native troops, before passing an opinion on the subject. The question will of course reach me in the Military Department.

5. The sums you have sanctioned for compensation to Public Officers for the losses they have sustained from the inundation., amounting in the Civil Department to Rupees 23,456, have my approval. The sums for compensation you have granted in the Military Department will doubtless be reported in that Department, in which it will receive my attentive consideration, as well as the remissions and advances you have proposed in the Revenue Department.

6. I cannot close my remarks on the subject of this Despatch without specially alluding to the valuable services rendered in this trying emergency by Mr. Thornhill, and the Officers, Soldiers, Police, and residents on the spot, of every grade, named in your General Order, No. 111, dated 25th January 1865, who so ably supported him; and I must convey to you my cordial approval of the steps you have taken to show your appreciation of their services, and those of the other gentlemen named in your Despatch.

No. 23. ORDER THEREON, 5th August 1865, No. 821.

Resolved that copies of the foregoing letter be furnished to Mr. Thornhill, Collector of the Kistna District, to the Sanitary Commission, to the Military, Revenue, and Public Works Departments, to the Inspector General of Police, and to the Superintendent of Marine.

2. Resolved, further, that the Despatch be published in the Fort Saint George Gazette, and likewise in the Kistna District Gazette.

(True Extract).

G. J. Comittant

Chief Secretary.

To G. Thornhill, Esq.
To the Collector of the Kistna District.
" Sanitary Commission.
" Military Department.
" Revenue do.
" Public Works do.
" Inspector General of Police.
" Superintendent of Marine.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

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