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No. 275. Read the following Endorsement of the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, dated Fort St. George, 19th December 1874:—

Read the following letter from Captain J. H. TAYLOR, R.N.R., Acting Master Attendant, Administrative Department, to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Marine Department, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 18th December 1874, No. 7,361.

"Having been informed that the Royal Fishery Steamer "Margaret Northcote" is about to be despatched to Bombay for docking under the charge of the Master Attendant, Tuticorin, I have the honor to solicit that the Government will be pleased to detain the vessel at Tuticorin until the first week in February, so as to enable me to avail myself of her services to make a tour to the northern ports and Calcutta, at which latter port she might be docked with equal facilities as at Bombay. As soon as the repairs are completed, she might return to Tuticorin, landing me at Madras.

2. My reasons for proposing this change in the movements of the "Margaret Northcote" are, first, the expenditure that will have to be incurred by engaging my passage from port to port along the coast as far as Gopaulpore and back to Madras, which will probably cost Rs. 150, including all charges; secondly, the great delay that will occur in having to await at all the important ports for the weekly steamers, which will necessitate my detention at Masulipatam, Coconada, Bimlipatam, Vizagapatam, and Gopaulpore, for several days, the stay of the mail steamers at those ports being limited to three hours each night; while, on the other hand, were I to proceed up as far as Gopaulpore by one steamer, my visit at each port would be far too short for any regular official inspection to be made, and a tour, under the circumstances, would be of no practical value. Moreover, Point Divi, Hope Island, and Santapillay Light-houses must be visited, and land journeys would be the consequence.

3. I am also of opinion that a personal interview with Captain Bythesea at Calcutta would prove beneficial to the Marine interests of this Presidency, and hence my anxiety to visit Calcutta.

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(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
*Acting Chief Secretary.*

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No. 276. Order thereon, 24th December 1874, No. 1,611.

Miscellaneous. The Governor in Council approves and sanctions the arrangements proposed by the Master Attendant.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
*Acting Secretary to Government.*

To the Acting Master Attendant.
,, the Board of Revenue.
Ed. F. R. Gentleman.

Administration Générale.

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