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No. 120. Read the following letter from C. J. LYALL, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Revenue, Agriculture, and Commerce (Surveys), to the Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Simla, 4th July 1876, No. 1—576:—

I am directed to forward, for the information of His Grace the Governor in Council and for communication to the Conservator of Forests and other officers in the Madras Presidency to whose care it is likely that scientific instruments, &c., may be consigned when sent out from England, the accompanying copy of a despatch* from Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India, stating that, with a

* No. 75 (Financial), dated the 2nd March 1876. view to prevent as far as possible the damage or breakage of such articles, they will in future be entrusted to the care of the master of the vessel in which they are shipped, who will be paid a gratuity of one guinea per case when the contents are certified by the receiving officer to have been delivered uninjured.

Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, to His Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor-General of India Council, dated India Office, London, 2nd March 1876, No. 75 (Financial).

I have considered in Council your Revenue, Agriculture, and Commerce letter, dated 31st December last, No. 52, reporting the damaged condition in which a deviatometer and four compasses sent for the use of the Marine Survey Department were received apparently from want of care in packing; and I enclose, for your information, a copy of a report by the Director-General of Stores, stating that the instruments were carefully packed, and suggesting that in future similar stores should be consigned to the care of the master of the vessel in which they are shipped, a gratuity of one guinea per case being paid to him on the certificate of the receiving officer that the contents have been delivered uninjured.

2. I have approved of the Director-General of Stores' suggestions.

Copy of Report by G. C. TALBOT, Esq., Director-General of Stores, dated 15th February 1876.

With reference to the annexed India Revenue, Agriculture, and Commerce letter, No. 52, dated 31st December last, reporting that a deviatometer and four boat compasses sent from this country for the use of the Marine Survey Department had been received in a damaged condition, apparently through bad packing, I have to report that, the articles in question being very liable to injury in transit, every care was taken in packing them, in order to preserve them from damage as much as possible, but from their construction it is impossible to secure such stores against the effects of violent concussion, which has no doubt been the cause of the injuries sustained.

I propose in future that these and similar articles shall be placed under the special charge of the master of the vessel in which they are shipped, and that he shall be paid a gratuity of one guinea per case on the certificate of the receiving officer in India that the contents have been delivered uninjured.

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Agent for Government Consignments.

(True Extract.)

W. H. ...
Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department.

.. Public Works Department.

.. Agent for Government Consignments.

.. Military Department, for information.

Exd. J. W. Fischer.

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