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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

13th October 1877, No. 3,296.

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No. 98. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 13th September 1877, No. 4,269.

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From H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of Tanjore, to C. A. GALTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Point Calimere, 14th July 1877, No. 2,372.

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From W. H. COMYN, Esq., Acting Collector, South Canara, to C. A. GALTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Mangalore, 18th July 1877, No. 1,237.

With reference to the Board's Proceedings, No. 2,643, 7th June 1877, I have the honor to state that I am unable to suggest any arrangement for appointing a sea-faring European to the post of Sea Customs Superintendent and Conservator of the Port at Mangalore.

2. It is necessary that the Sea Customs Superintendent should be acquainted with the Customs regulations besides possessing a knowledge of the Vernacular, and

the use of the post is inadequate to secure the services of a respectable European possessing the necessary qualifications.

From W. LOGAN, Esq., Collector of Malabar, to C. A. GALTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Calicut, 1st August 1877, No. 182.

In acknowledging receipt of Board's Proceedings, No. 2,643, dated 7th June last, communicating G.O., No. 284, dated 25th April 1877, on the subject of appointing sea-faring Europeans to the posts of Sea Customs Superintendent and Conservator of Ports at Tellicherry and Cannanore, I have the honor to state that there is some reason to suppose from the number of applications lately received for appointments in the Preventive establishments which it has been proposed to organise to check salt smuggling that there might not be great difficulty in filling up those posts with sea-faring men. The matter will be borne in mind when vacancies occur.

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3. The Collectors of South Arcot, Tanjore, and Canara concur in the opinion expressed by the Board in their Proceedings above quoted that sea-faring Europeans otherwise qualified for the posts could not be found for the present pay. Mr. Thomas discusses the question of the expediency of raising the pay and comes to the conclusion that were experiments tried experience at the end of ten years would be very much in favor of present arrangements.

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(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) C. A. GALTON,
for Acting Sub-Secretary.

No. 99. ORDER THEREON, 13th October 1877, No. 3,096.

Separate Revenue No. 7.
Customs.

COMMUNICATED to the Marine Department in continuation of G.O. in this Department, 5th July 1877, No. 2,220.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Marine Department.
.. the Board of Revenue.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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E. T. D. Ryan.

Communicated to the Marine

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Appointment of Sea-faring Europeans to the post of Sea Customs Superintendent and Conservator at certain Ports of South Arcot, Tanjore, South Canara, and Malabar Districts.—Subsequent letters from Collectors.

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