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No. 22. Read the following letter from J. J. FRANKLIN, Esq., Secretary Marine Board; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 8th January 1858, No. 108.

SIR,

Judicial Department. Referring to Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 18th Ultimo, No. 1648, directing that no persons convicted of mutiny, desertion or rebellion, and sentenced to transportation, be sent to any Convict settlement beyond seas, I have the honor by desire of the Marine Board to observe that no distinction appears as yet to be made with regard to such prisoners by the Sessions Judge at Chingleput. This may be, and probably is, in consequence of no such Convicts having come under his charge; but the Board note the circumstance lest there should be any mistake in the matter.

2. A vessel is about to be engaged to carry stores to the Straits, and an opportunity will occur, in ten days or a fortnight, for the dispatch of such other Convicts as may be awaiting their sentences of transportation to those settlements. Due notice will be given when they should be forwarded to Madras for embarkation and in the absence of any information to the contrary the Board, considering the intimations marginally noted, as referring to prisoners not convicted of the crimes in question, will engage passage for them.

No. 1482, dated	15th Novr. 1857,	our letter from	the Session Judge	of 12th Idem.
No. 1617, „	12th Decr. „	do	do	8th „
No. 1645, „	17th „	do	do	14th „
No. 10, „	5th Jany. 1858,	do	do	31st Decr. 1857.
No. 27, „	7th „	do	do	4th Idem.

(Signed) J. J. FRANKLIN,
Secretary.

No. 23. ORDER THEREON, No. 44; dated 9th January 1858.

It does not appear from the papers quoted by the Marine Board, for what crime the prisoners referred to have been sentenced to transportation. The Session Judge of Chingleput will be applied to for information on this point, and he will be instructed, in advising Government in future of the arrival of Convicts at his Jail, to distinguish those who have been convicted of mutiny, desertion or rebellion, from those who have been found guilty of other crimes. Mr. Dowdeswell will be careful, with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation 18th December 1857, No. 1648, that no Convicts of the former class are sent to Madras for transportation until further orders.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

Judicial Department.

No. 111

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Dated 9th January 1858.

Read the following Letter from the Secretary to the Marine Board. (Here enter 8th January 1858)

It does not appear from the papers quoted by the Marine Board for what crime the prisoners referred to have been sentenced to transportation. The Sessions Judge of Chingleput will be applied to for information on this point, and he will be instructed, in advising Govt. in future of the arrival of convicts at

his bail, to distinguish those who have been convicted of Mutiny, desertion, or Rebellion from those who have been found guilty of other crimes. He can refer the Govr-General will, with reference to Exh. Mutiny Act 18th Geo. 3rd c. 19 & 18, that no convicts of the former class are sent to Bengal for trans portation until further order.

Copy of Charge Board
" Session Judge of Chinglaput
with Letter from Govt &c.

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