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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,  
from 2nd to 8th July 1859.*

No. 41. Read the following letter from A. PURVIS, Esq., Magistrate of Rajahmundry; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Cocanada, 28th June 1859, No. 233.

I have the honor with reference to your telegram addressed to the Magistrate of Masulipatam, which has been sent on to me by the Officer in charge of that District, enquiring who the prisoner George Richards, who was sent down on the "*Coromandel*," is, and why he was sent on that vessel, to report that the European named was, with another by name James Wilkins, in the first instance brought before the Principal Assistant Magistrate at Vizagapatam when on their way from the North.

2. They were not apparently able to give a very good account of themselves. They said they had belonged to a ship sold at Rangoon and were on their way from Calcutta to Coringa looking for work. The Officer named gave them a pass as far as Cocanada. At this place they appeared before my Assistant, during my absence in the District on duty, and he gave them a pass as far as Masulipatam.

3. At Coringa however, when they had got but a few miles on their way towards their destination, they carried off a boat, brought it on shore at Wooppada, a place about 10 miles North of Cocanada, and there sold it.

4. The case was a very clear one, the offence was fully established, and the men were, having been apprehended at Masulipatam, committed to take their trial before the Supreme Court. They were sent down in the "*Coromandel*" with a warrant under my hand addressed to the Sheriff, to whom the Commander of the vessel was requested to hand them over. Translations of the records have been sent to the Clerk of the Crown, and the originals are under despatch.

5. The witnesses are ready to go down by the next Steamer from Rangoon and Vizagapatam, and, I hope, may be in time for the next Sessions, though, owing to the delay in the "*Sydney's*" leaving Madras on the last occasion, I fear this is now somewhat doubtful. I did not send the witnesses with the prisoners, as so long a detention at Madras would have been a great hardship to them, and the date of the commencement of the Sessions was not then known to me.

6. I have replied briefly to your telegram by the same means of communication, promising the details which I now beg to submit.

No. 42. ORDER THEREON, 6th July 1859, No. 927.

To be communicated to the Government Solicitor.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,  
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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To Mr of the 8 full  
From  
The Magistrate

of the Chief Secretary  
of the Government  
for the 1st of June

Dated 28 June  
Received 1859

In Com  
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Enclosed here  
No 233  
Referring, with reference to the telegram  
addressed to the Magistrate  
of the 1st of June  
the reason the Chief  
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At the 1st of June  
1859

To be communicated to the Court.  
Solicitor.  
N<sup>o</sup> 927

Chief Secretary

To the 1st of June 1859

Received 1st and 2nd of June 1859

For the 1st of June