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Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
20th May 1861.

No. 130. Read the following letter from J. J. FRANKLIN, Esq., Superintendent of Marine; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 17th May 1861, No. 1,416.

John Rankin.
W. McCreavey.
Original and triplicate.

I have the honor to forward Charter Party in triplicate on account of two European Convicts named in the margin, proceeding to England in the Ship "General Caulfield" in order that your signature may be affixed to two parts and the triplicate returned for delivery to the Commander, the original being transmitted to the Honorable the Secretary of State for India.

No. 131. ORDER THEREON, 20th May 1861, No. 664.

Ordered that the triplicate of the Charter Party received with this letter, be returned to the Superintendent of Marine, duly executed by the Chief Secretary.

2. The duplicate also executed will be forwarded to the Secretary of State, with the other documents relating to the Convicts.

3. The first Party, with the guarantee of the Agents of the Vessel attached to it, will be retained in the Government Office.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Encl. T. O'Connor.

Encl.

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Madras 14 May 1861

In Consideration of the payment,
to us as Agents for the Commander of the
'General Caulfield' by the Government of
Fort Saint George of the sum of Compa's
Rupees (800---) Eight hundred being two
thirds of the passage money agreed to be
paid by the said Government to the said
Commander for the conveyance on the said
vessel from Madras to England of two European
Convicts William Mc Arrowy and John
Rankin We do hereby guarantee the performance
by the said Commander of all the Covenants
stipulations and agreements contained in the
annexed agreement or Charter Party and do
hereby hold and make ourselves responsible
to repay or refund and make good to the
said Government all loss damages and
expenses which the said Government may
sustain or be put to by reason or in consequence
of the said Commander neglecting or omitting
to fulfil or perform all or any one or more
of the said Covenants stipulations and
agreements as contained in the said Charter
Party

Articles of Agreement made and entered into this *Fourteenth* day of *May* in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and *Sixty one*
Between *William Richards* Master and Commander of the *ship* or Vessel
called the *General Baulfield* of the Burthen of *646*

Tons register measurement or
thereabouts belonging to the Port of *London* and now riding at anchor in the Madra Roads
of the one part and The Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India in Council of the other part
Whereas the said *William Richards* has offered and proposed to the Government of Fort
Saint George to convey *two* European Convicts now in the custody of the ^{Commissioner of Police} Sheriff of Madras and
who have been legally sentenced to be transported to *England* — and who are severally
named or known by the names of *John Rankin* and *William McCreavey*

and the descriptions of whose respective persons are set forth and specified in the Table marked with the
letter A hereunto annexed from Madras to *England* — on board the said
ship or Vessel called the *General Baulfield* at the rate of *(600)*
Six Hundred Rupees for each Convict and has offered to enter into the covenants and agree-
ments in these presents on his part contained which offer and proposal has been accepted by the Governor
in Council of Fort Saint George acting on the behalf of the said Secretary of State in Council. Now these
presents witness that in consideration of the covenants and agreements hereinafter entered into by and on
the part of the said Secretary of State in Council his Successors and Assigns he the said *William*
Richards — for himself his Heirs Executors and Administrators does
hereby covenant promise and agree to and with the said Secretary of State in Council his Successors and
Assigns in manner following (that is to say) that he the said *William Richards*
shall and will within *two* — days from the date of these presents erect and
make on board the said *ship* or Vessel in the *fore* — part
thereof a prison of such size dimensions strength and construction as will be proper and fit to accommodate
and secure the said *two* — Convicts and on the same being completed he will report the same to
the Superintendent of Marine at Fort St. George and permit any person or persons authorized for the
purpose by the said Superintendent of Marine to go on board the said *ship* —
and inspect and survey the prison as constructed and shall and will make any such reasonable alterations
or additions to the said prison as the said Superintendent of Marine or such person or persons so authorized
shall on any such inspections and survey think necessary and also shall and will at his own expense pro-
vide and store on board the said *ship* all such food water and other necessaries for the said Con-
victs during the said voyage as shall be approved of by the said Superintendent of Marine or the person
or persons to be authorized as aforesaid And that he the said *William Richards*
shall and will within *two* — days after such prison shall be con-
structed and completed as aforesaid receive on board the said *ship* the said *two* Convicts
respectively named or known by the names of *John Rankin* and *William*
McCreavey
and that he will convey and transport them from Madras direct to *Blackwall*

with safety and care on board the said *ship* unless prevented by the act of God and on arriving there will report to the said Secretary of State _____ the arrival of the said Convicts and keep and detain the said Convicts in safety until an Officer or Officers duly authorized by the said Secretary of State _____ shall demand and take charge of the said Convicts from the said *William Richards* — and that he will deliver the said Convicts in custody to such Officer or Officers who shall so demand them on having a receipt for them signed by such Officer or Officers and also that from the time of the embarkation of the said Convicts in the *Madras Roads* until the arrival of the said *ship* at *Blackwall* and the said Convicts being taken charge of there as aforesaid he the said *William Richards* shall and will at his own expense maintain and support or otherwise supply the said Convicts daily with good and wholesome food water and other necessaries according to the rate and scale hereunto annexed marked with letter B (except in case of unavoidable necessity happening during the said voyage not permitting) and will also afford and allow them such medical aid assistance and medicine as may be necessary and that in case any of the said Convicts shall die during the said voyage he the said *William Richards* will report to the said Secretary of State _____ on his arrival the cause of the death of such Convict or Convicts and the nature of the illness of which such Convict or convicts may have died with a detail of the medical aid and treatment which such Convict or Convicts experienced during any such illness and also shall and will keep and detain the said Convicts until they shall be so demanded and taken charge of as aforesaid in the prison so to be prepared as aforesaid except during illness and during *four* hours _____ in each day or on such days as the state of the weather will allow during which he will allow the said Convicts (subject to all lawful exceptions rendered necessary for the preservation of requisite discipline on board the said *ship*) to walk upon the deck of the said Ship for air and exercise and will during such time keep them properly and securely guarded and that he as well when the said Convicts are in the said prison place and keep a proper guard of not less than *one* ~~man~~ over the said convicts and not less than *two* men when they are on deck to prevent their escape and these presents further witness that in consideration of the covenants and agreements hereinbefore entered into as aforesaid by and on the part of the said *William Richards*

The said Secretary of State in Council for himself and his Successors and Assigns doth hereby covenant promise and agree to and with the said *William Richards* his Executors and Administrators that the said Convicts shall be embarked on board the said *ship* within *two*

days after the prison for their reception shall have been completed as aforesaid if the state of the weather will permit or as soon after the expiration of such *two* days as the weather will allow and shall and will as soon as may be possible after the said convicts shall have been so embarked as aforesaid well and truly pay or cause to be paid to the said *William Richards*

_____ his Executors or Administrators the sum of *rupees 800 Eight Hundred* (being two thirds of the amount so agreed to be paid to the said _____

William Richards by the said Governor in Council of Fort Saint George acting as aforesaid at and after the rate of *600 Six Hundred Rupees* for the passage of each Convict to *Blackwall* and shall and will on the said Secretary of State being satisfied _____ that the said Convicts have been duly transferred by the said *William Richards* to the custody of such Officer or Officers duly authorized to receive them as aforesaid, that they have been properly treated by the said *William Richards* during the Voyage and that the covenants and stipulations in these Articles of Agreement or Charter Party contained have been duly and satisfactorily fulfilled well and truly pay or cause to be paid unto the said *William Richards* his Executors or Administrators in London the further sum of (*400 - " - "*) *four hundred Rupees* being the re-

maining third of the amount so agreed to be paid by the said Governor in Council of Fort Saint George, acting as aforesaid by way of passage money for the conveyance of the said Convicts as aforesaid. In witness whereof the said *William Richards* and the *Chief Secretary* on behalf of the Government of Fort Saint George acting for and behalf of the said Secretary of State have set their respective hands and seals, to one part of these presents to remain with the said Secretary of State and the said *William Richards* has also to another part of these presents also to remain with the said Secretary of State set his hand and Seal and to another part of these presents to remain with the said *William Richards* the said *Chief Secretary* on behalf of the said Secretary of State has set his hand and Seal the day and year first above written.

SIGNED Sealed and Delivered by the above named
William Richards at Madras
(where Stamps are not in use) in the presence of

J. Martin

Wm Richards

SIGNED Sealed and delivered by the above named
Chief Secretary at Madras
(where Stamps are not in use) in the presence of

Table A to which the foregoing Deed Poll refers.

Descriptive Roll of the undermentioned convicts

Names	Age		Height		Color of			Particular marks
	Years	Months	Feet	Inches	Hair	Eyes	Complexion	
William McCreavey...	21	10	5	5 $\frac{3}{4}$	Fair	Grey	Fresh	none
John Rankin	23	.	5	8 $\frac{3}{4}$	Fair	Blue	Thin	Mark of an evil on his right wrist, and a large mark of a burn on the calf of his left leg

B.

TABLE of RATIONS to be issued to EUROPEAN CONVICTS proceeding to Blackwall

	Bread.	Rice.	Flour.	Ghee or Suet.	Pease or Dhol.	Sugar.	Tea.	Vinegar.	Mustard seeds.	Salt Beef.	Salt Pork.	Firewood.	Water.
	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	ozs.	pts.	ozs.	ozs.			lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	galf.
Sunday.....	3	1	1	1	0	2	1			2	0	4	1
Monday	3	1	1	1	0	2	1			1	0	4	1
Tuesday.....	4	1	0	0	1	2	1	3 pints a week.	1 oz. a week.	0	1	4	1
Wednesday.....	4	1	1	1	0	2	1			1	0	4	1
Thursday	4	1	0	0	1	2	1			0	1	4	1
Friday	4	1	1	1	0	2	1			1	0	4	1
Saturday....	4	1	0	0	1	2	1			0	1	4	1
	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	4	1	14	1 $\frac{1}{2}$			2 $\frac{1}{2}$	2	28	7

N. B.—Spirits should be issued only at the discretion of the Medical Officer when they may consider it necessary as an article of medicine.

Joseph C. 1844

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Ordered that the triplicate of the Charter ^{Party} received with this letter be returned to the Suptt. of Marine, duly executed by the Chief Secretary.

2. The duplicate also executed will be forwarded to the Secretary of State, with the other documents relating to the Convicts.

3. The first party, with the guarantee of the Agents of the vessel attached to it, will be retained in the Boat.

Office.
The Suptt. of Marine - J.P.
With Charter Party 20-5-61.

John L. Thompson
29 May 1861
1861.

Original
Dated 14th May 1861

Office of Agreement or
Contract Party for the convey-
ance of two European Con-
victs to England on the
ship General Baulfield

John L. Thompson
29 May 1861

delivered May

Ind. L. L. L. L.
27th May No. 11
of 1861. with the
Sup. Charter Party.

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From
The Superintendent of
Maine
To
The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort St. George

Dated 17th
Recd 18th May 1861

No 1416
No 799 Encl 3

Forwarded for his signature
the Charter Party in duplicate
for the European Consuls
proceeding to England on
the General Council, and
requests to return the duplicate
for delivery to the Commissioner
and to transmit the original
to the Secretary of State
for India.

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With an Order.