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Government of Madras.

Judicial **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department, 22nd January 1862.

No. 146. Read the following letter from T. G. CLARKE, Esq., Magistrate of Police; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 24th December 1861, No. 97.

With reference to the Proceedings of Government, dated 23rd December 1861, No. 1,587, authorizing me to cause the apprehension and shipment of the twelve Seamen belonging to the American Ship "Princess," I have the honor to forward a copy of a letter from the Commander to my address. Under the circumstances therein stated, I felt that I could not enforce the Orders of Government to take back his men. I however beg to state that I have been in personal communication with the Master Attendant, Mr. Dalrymple, who will take every opportunity of shipping the Seamen on board other vessels. With the exception of two, who are Americans, the other ten are British subjects.

From Captain W. T. BECKETT, Commander of the American Ship "Princess" now lying in the Madras Roads; to T. G. CLARKE, Esq., Magistrate of Police, dated 24th December 1861.

With reference to the Order of Government, which you have just read to me authorizing you as the Magistrate of the Town to cause the twelve Seamen late of my ship to be apprehended and sent on board my vessel, and to the fact of their having been apprehended this morning, and ready for shipment, I beg to state that I cannot now take them on board; because you hesitated to act on my application twice to you for their immediate return. I waited until Saturday last, and being about to sail on Christmas day, I could no longer work my ship or get it ready for sea in the absence of so many of my Crew, I was obliged therefore to ship others; and having advanced them about one thousand Rupees, I cannot now, in justice to the owner of the vessel, forfeit that amount by discharging the new hands, and taking the others. Under these circumstances I trust you will see the position in which I am placed; and not oblige me to sacrifice the interest of my employers. My late Crew, viz., the twelve men, will soon be able to ship in other vessels; and the Presidency will soon be rid of them.

(A True Copy.)

(Signed) T. G. CLARKE,
Magistrate of Police.

No. 147. ORDER THEREON, 22nd January 1862, No. 97.

To be recorded.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

Judicial 1862 Dep.t
From Prov.t Marsh.
T. P. & Charles Esquires
Magistrates of Police

To. T. Pycroft Esquire
Chief Secretary

Dated 24th Dec.r/61.
Rec.d 24th Jan.y
No. 2118 Encl.s 1.
Submitting a Copy of a
letter from the Commander
of the American Ship
"Princess" and stating
that under the circumstances
brought to notice, the Order
of Government for the
detainment of the sea Men
was not enforced.—

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Alexander Ellis
22d Jan.y 1862. J.P.

Prov.t of Gov.t 23d Dec.r/61 to 21st 1587.

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