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*Fort Saint George, Marine Consultation, 8th September 1857.*

No. 1. From R. B. CHAPMAN, Esq., Officiating Under Secretary to the Government of India; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government of Fort St. George, dated the 11th August 1857, No. 1282.

Home Department.  
Judicial. SIR,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council, to forward the accompanying copy of a Despatch, No. 36 of 1857, dated the 17th June, from the Hon'ble the Court of Directors, with its enclosure, relative to the apprehension of Deserters from Merchant Ships, belonging to Subjects of the Sultan of Morocco and Fez, and to request that the necessary steps may be taken for the publication and enforcement of the order of Her Majesty in Council, dated the 6th May last.

2. The order has already been published in the *Calcutta Gazette*.

(Signed) R. B. CHAPMAN,

*Offg. Under Secretary to the Government of India.*

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

No. 36 of 1857.

OUR GOVERNOR GENERAL OF INDIA IN COUNCIL.

We transmit to you herewith a copy of a letter from the Board of Commissioners for the Affairs of India, enclosing copy of an Order passed by Her Majesty in Council, on the 6th of May last, relating to the apprehension of deserters from Merchant Ships, belonging to Subjects of the Sultan of Morocco and Fez; and we desire that you will take the necessary steps for the publication of this order in India.

We are, &c.,

(Signed) ROSS D. MANGLES,

„ F. CURRIE,

*And other Directors.*

LONDON, }  
17th June 1857. }

(True Copy.)

(Signed) R. B. CHAPMAN,

*Offg. Under Secretary to the Government of India.*

SIR JAMES MELVILL, K. C. B.

&c., &c., &c.

INDIA BOARD,

12th May 1857.

SIR,

I am directed by the Commissioners for the Affairs of India to transmit to you a copy of an Order passed by Her Majesty in Council, on the 6th Instant, relative to the apprehension of Foreign Deserters under the Powers of the Act of 1852, as regards the Subjects of the Emperor of Morocco and Fez, and I have to request that you will lay the same before the Court of Directors, in order that the necessary steps may be taken for the publication of this order in India.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) GEORGE CLERK.

Fort Saint George, Marine Consultation, 8th September 1857.

(COPY.)

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 6th day of May 1857.

PRESENT:

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by the "Foreign Deserters' Act 1852," it is provided that whenever it is made to appear to Her Majesty that due facilities are or will be given for recovering and apprehending Seamen who desert from British Merchant Ships in the Territories of any Foreign Power, Her Majesty may by order in Council, stating that such facilities are or will be given, declare that Seamen not being Slaves who desert from Merchant Ships, belonging to a Subject of such Power when within Her Majesty's Dominions or the Territories of the East India Company, shall be liable to be apprehended and carried on Board their respective Ships, and may limit the operation of such order and may render the operation thereof subject to such conditions and qualifications if any as may be deemed expedient.

And whereas it has been made to appear to Her Majesty, that due facilities will be given for recovering and apprehending Seamen (not being Moorish Subjects) who desert from British Merchant Ships in the Territories belonging to the Sultan of Morocco and Fez.

Now, therefore, Her Majesty by Virtue of the Powers vested in Her by the said "Foreign Deserters' Act 1852," and by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, is pleased to order and declare, and it is hereby ordered and declared, that from and after the publication hereof in the *London Gazette*, Seamen not being slaves and not being British Subjects, who desert from Merchant Ships belonging to Subjects of the Sultan of Morocco and Fez, within Her Majesty's Dominions or the Territories of the East India Company, shall be liable to be apprehended and carried on Board their respective Ships. Provided always, that if any such deserter has committed any crime in Her Majesty's Dominions or the Territories of the East India Company, he may be detained until he has been tried by a competent Court and until his sentence (if any) has been fully carried into effect. And the Right Honorable the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, and the Commissioners for the Affairs of India, are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

(Signed) W. L. BATHURST.

(True Copy)

(Signed) R. B. CHAPMAN,

Offg. Under Secretary to the Government of India.

No. 2.

ORDER THEREON, No. 344; dated 2nd September 1857.

Ordered that the order of Her Majesty in Council be published in the Fort St. George Gazette, for general information.

Exd. J. A. Wilson.

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Fort St. George,  
2<sup>d</sup> September 1857.

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The Officiating Under Secretary  
to the Government of India.  
No 1282.

Referred 11 Aug<sup>t</sup>  
29<sup>th</sup> 1857.

No 332.

With spare copies.

Forwarding documents  
connected with the apprehen-  
sion of Deserters from Her  
Majesty's Ships, belonging to  
Subjects of the Sultan of  
Morocco & Fez, for publi-  
cation and enforcement  
of the order of H. M. in  
Council of the 6<sup>th</sup> May last.  
With an Order

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