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Fort Saint George, Marine Consultation, 7th September 1858.

No. 20. From the Honorable J. W. BLUNDELL, Esq., Governor of Prince of Wales' Island, Singapore and Malacca; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Singapore, 10th August 1858, No. 27. •

SIR,

I have the honor to acquaint you, for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor of Fort Saint George in Council, that I have received instructions from the Government of India, to enlist a body of 200 Seamen for the Indian Navy, to serve ashore in Bengal. It was at the same time intimated to me, that the Honorable Company's Steamer "Auckland" would be despatched to convey these men to Calcutta. I have however since received intimation that the "Auckland" is employed elsewhere, and I have been directed to avail myself of any opportunity that may offer. Under the circumstances I have called on the Commander of the Honorable Company's Steamer "Dalhousie," to receive on board his Vessel, the number of men enlisted (amounting to 182,) and convey them to Calcutta after landing at Madras the sick and other Military details, requiring to be conveyed there.

I trust the Right Honorable the Governor of Fort Saint George in Council will excuse this interference on my part, with the destination of a Vessel in no way under my orders, on consideration of the importance of the duty I have called on her Commander to perform for the general good of the service.

No. 21. ORDER THEREON, No. 349; dated 7th September 1858.

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(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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