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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Marine Department,
from 18th to 24th June 1859.*

No. 15. Read the following letter from J. J. FRANKLIN, Esq., Superintendent of Marine; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 14th June 1859, No. 2328.

I have the honor to acquaint you that the Assistant Master Attendant has reported for the information of Government the following particulars regarding the Steamer "Bengal."

2. After leaving Galle for Trincomalee the Chief Engineer discovered the leak to be close upon the Larboard stroke on the Port side about 40 feet from the Stern-post, and although he had to work in a place without air and up to his neck in water he contrived to stop it, with red lead, blankets, gunny bags &c. This being effected, the Steamer came on direct to Madras, without touching at Trincomalee and anchored here at 6 A. M., on the 11th.

3. The Commander having applied for assistance an Anchor of 40 cwt. and 75 fathoms of 2 inch chain were shipped before Noon, the Assistant Master Attendant in the meantime proceeded on board at the request of the Commander to examine into the state of the Vessel, and having been for three hours in the Ship's bottom, and carefully inspected the injured part where a plate was broken and some rivets started, he was able to certify that she could proceed on with safety as she was then making no water.

No. 16. ORDER THEREON, 23rd June 1859, No. 276.

To be recorded.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. A. P. W. Begbie.

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From

The Superintendent of
Marine

To
The Chief Secretary
to Government

Fort Saint George

Dated 14th June 1859

Rec^d 15th June 1859

No. 2328

No. 255

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Master Attendant has
reported for the information
of Government the within
mentioned particulars re-
garding the Steamer "Ben-
gal".

W. L. G. 11/11
No. 240

To be recorded

28th June 1859.

J. P.

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