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Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	<i>293</i>	Presse Mis.
Dated	<i>1-7</i>	<i>1857</i>

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Marine Department,
from 25th June to 1st July 1859.*

No. 23. Read the following letter from Commander F. W. HOPKINS, Indian Navy, Commanding Her Majesty's Steamer "*Dalhousie*"; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 30th June 1859, No. 115.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 2582 of yesterday's date together with the orders of the Madras Government regarding a Steam communication between this place the Northern Ports and Rangoon.

2nd. In reply to the 2nd paragraph of your letter, I beg to state that there is no Cargo hold or Store rooms for Cargo on Board this Vessel, the Main and after Troop Decks are the only places I could stow such in, and if Troops or Followers are proceeding in the Ship, except Cargo be under Lock and Key it is liable to be broached and damaged.

3rd. In answer to the 3rd paragraph of your letter, the blank form alluded to was not enclosed and I beg to state none of the Cabins are numbered in this Vessel or any of the Ships of the Indian Navy, I believe, the Commanders of the Vessels allot the Cabins to the Passengers as they find it suits best for the number of Ladies and Children that may come on Board, the Cabins for Passengers are as follows:—Starboard side of Saloon foremost Cabin for a Lady and Gentleman, 2 Sleeping berths and W. C. attached or 3 Gentlemen might go in the Cabin, 3rd Cabin after 3 Sleeping berths and a washing place outside, no W. C., 3rd Cabin after 3 Bed places, but two persons is enough in the Cabin, the Cabin opposite is the same with a W. C. between the doors—on the *Port side* of Saloon are 2 Similar Cabins and all the other Cabins are occupied by the Officers of the Vessel; 10 or 12 Passengers might go besides those in Cabins but they have to sleep and wash in the Saloon or on Deck, the Cabins have pillows and mattresses, but Sheets Pillow Cases, Bed Clothing, Soap, and Towels, Passengers require to bring, and a small Cabin swinging Lamp, as every trip the Passengers smash the shades which I have often purchased at my own expense for the use of the Cabins.

No. 24. ORDER THEREON, 1st July 1859, No. 293.

Copy of the above letter, with its enclosures in original, will be forwarded to the Superintendent of Marine.

Commander Hopkins is referred to the orders of Government of this date, No. 290.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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Commander Hopkins is re-
ferred to the orders of Gov. of
this date, No. 290.

For S. George,
1 July, 1859.

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The Superintendent
of Marine with 4 Enclosures }
Commander of the Dalhousie } *Supd*