

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	308	Press ~~Miss.~~
Dated	8. 7.	18. 7.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Marine Department,
from 2nd to 8th July 1859.*

No. 30. Read the following letter from J. J. FRANKLIN, Esq., Superintendent of Marine;
to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated
2nd July 1859, No. 2623.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt yesterday of the Proceedings of Government of
the 28th Ultimo, No. 284, from which I learn that the Acting Shipping Master had applied to
the Government Solicitor for advice how to dispose of an apprentice of the Barque "Chieftain,"
who had been left at Madras destitute in consequence of his Vessel having been sold under a
Decree of Her Majesty's Vice Admiralty Court. I regret that Mr. McKennie should not have
submitted the case to me as Head of the Department to which he belongs, because the question
appears to be one of easy solution, and the time lost between the 4th Ultimo, the date of his
letter and the present might have been saved.

2. Section 205 of the Merchant Shipping Act of 1854 provides, in the case of a Ship
disposed of *out of Her Majesty's Dominions*, that the Crew including apprentices shall be sent
home, and if this is done at the expense of Government, that the cost shall be a charge on the
Ship's owners. Nothing is said here of a Vessel disposed of *within* Her Majesty's dominions, as
at Madras; but the lad being in distress, there can be no question as to his case coming under
the operation of Section 211, which provides that all Seamen and apprentices in distress abroad
shall be subsisted and sent home. This law, or its counterpart in the former Act, has always
been put in requisition here under such circumstances, and I cannot understand why any diffi-
culty should have arisen on the present occasion.

No. 31. ORDER THEREON, 8th July 1859, No. 308.

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
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Dated 2 July 1859 No. 294
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No. 2623
As the above is a copy of the 10th of the
28th July 1859 which is known that
the Acting Shipping Master has applied
to the Port & Harbour Board for a licence
to allow of an apprentice of the large
"Cleopatra" who has been left at
state at address in consequence of
his wife having been sent to prison
that Mr. McKinnon should not have
submitted the case to him as head of the
Port & Harbour Board
That that the last being in the Port & Harbour
Board can be no question as to his case
coming under the operation of the
21st of the Merchant Shipping Act
which provides that all seamen and
apprentices in the Port & Harbour Board
be submitted to the Board.

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No. 308

Ordered that a copy of the Ad-
vocate Genl's Opinion, 15 June
last, received with his letter of
the 17th idem, be furnished to
the Superintendent of Marine
in reference to his letter recorded
above.

The Superintendent
of Marine with Opinion