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Government of Madras.

Marine DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Marine Department,
from 30th July to 5th August 1859.*

No. 13. Read the following letter from H. D. E. DALRYMPLE, Esq., Master Attendant Madras; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 25th July 1859, No. 371.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Extract of Minutes of Consultation, under date April 28th 1859* calling on me for an explanation in regard to a Bill amounting to Rupees 159-1-0 submitted by me to Government for payment. In reply, I have the honor to furnish you with the following particulars.

2. The Grooms in question were brought from Australia in charge of Government Horses by the ships specified and were discharged in Madras with very little pay to receive, and consequently in a few days were left utterly destitute. They were all under an impression that they were to be sent back to Australia by Government, but as no agreements could be found they could not establish claims for a return passage. As the poor men being Grooms could not obtain employment, I took the responsibility on myself of supporting them at the Sailor's Home until I could provide passages for them to Calcutta.

3. It appeared to me, that to meet the exigencies of the service, these men had been hurriedly engaged in Australia by the Remount Agent and sent off in their respective Ships under verbal agreements which during that Officer's absence could not be substantiated; I trust under these circumstances that the Honorable the Governor in Council will be pleased to sanction the payment of this Bill which was incurred by me in supporting destitute Englishmen.

No. 14. ORDER THEREON, 2nd August 1859, No. 353.

The disbursement of the expenses, amounting to Rupees 159-1-0 One hundred and fifty nine and one Anna, incurred by the Master Attendant under the circumstances stated in this letter, is authorised.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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The Master Attendant }
" Acct. Genl. }
" Civil Auditor. }
D. J. P.