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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Marine Department,
from 5th to 21st October 1859.*

No. 46. Read the following letter from Commander F. W. HOPKINS, I. N., Commanding Her Majesty's Steamer "Dalhousie"; I. N., to T. PYCROFT, Esq, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 20th October 1859, No. 210.

1 Carpenter. }
2 Carpenter's Mates. } Victualled as Europeans.
27 Lascars. }
18 Stokers. } Native Provisions.
6 Coal Trimmers. }
1 Cooper. }

I have the honor to report that in consequence of the Vessel being ordered to Bombay, part of the native crew lascars refuse to go in her and they are not bountymen. These men entered at Calcutta, where they have their wives and families, and joined with the understanding that they would get their discharge in six months' time at Calcutta, and the time has nearly expired, and they also expect that if discharged at another Port, that Government would pay their passage to that Port and their wages to the date of reaching it.

As I intend discharging these men here to-morrow and shipping others in their lieu if I can get them, I most respectfully beg the consideration of the Government to allow the men a free passage by Steamer "Sydney," and their provisions also. I do not suppose that Government will pay them after their discharge from this Vessel.

Should the men be allowed a free passage and provisions to Calcutta by the "Sydney," I beg that the Superintendent of Marine be directed that such be provided.

No. 47. ORDER THEREON, 20th October 1859, No. 528.

The Superintendent of Marine, who will be furnished with a copy of the first paragraph of the foregoing letter, is requested to provide a passage to Calcutta by the Steamer "Sydney" for the 55 men referred to—the Commissariat Department providing provisions.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

No. 528 - 20 October/59.

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The Superintendent of Marine, 20th Oct
" Commissary General, 21st Oct/59
" Auditor of Commissariat Accts. 25th
" Commander of the "Halbousie" 20th Oct