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Marine DEPARTMENT.

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Fort Saint George, Marine Consultation, 8th March 1859.

No. 24. MINUTE OF CONSULTATION, dated 8th March 1859, No. 81.

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council proceeds to pass Orders on such portions, as call for notice, of a Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, dated 19th January last, No. 5.

Paras : 2 & 3. Observes that to provide Steam Vessels for the Transport service of this Presidency, distinct and separate from the Indian Navy, and to permit the appointment of Officers and Crews for them, as proposed by this Government, under different conditions and rules, would be to create an irregular and non-descript service, under the Madras Presidency, for employment on duties appertaining to the Indian Navy, which is designed for the general service of India. The Vessels of the Indian Navy are to be employed under the immediate orders of this Government, and the Bombay Government in detaching them for service at Madras will be careful, as a matter of course, that such directions are given as will ensure the due discharge of the duties this Government may require to be performed.

Para : 6. Intimates recovery of the equivalent of the sum of Rupees 17-7-9 expended on account of 8 distressed British Seamen of the Barque "Angella" burnt off Mangalore in October 1857.

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Para : 10. States that 60 copies each of the "Mercantile Navy List" for 1859; that for 1858 being out of print, and of the "Commercial Code of Signals" will be procured and transmitted.

Para : 12. Intimates that the equivalent of Rupees 1,671-2-4, the amount proposed by the late Marine Board to be charged against the Master of the "Bengal" for breach of agreement, was deducted from the balance of passage money payable to the Agents of the Ship.

Para : 13. Intimates having directed the construction of an Iron Paddle Wheel Tug for service at Paumben and proposes sending the Tug, &c., in pieces to Bombay, to be put together in the Dockyard there.

Para : 14. Has applied to the Board of Trade in view to the recovery of the equivalent of Rupees 46-8-0, expenses incurred on account of 1 British and 3 Foreign distressed Seamen rescued from the burning wreck of the American Ship "Ellen."

Para : 16. With reference to Mr. Parkes' plan for the formation of a Harbor for Shipping at Madras, remarks that the question as to the desirableness of constructing a Pier or Breakwater at Madras has been recently determined in favor of the former project.

2. Copy of these paras: will be communicated to the Superintendent of Marine.

3. To be communicated to the Superintendent of Marine, the Collector of Canara, and the Accountant General.

4. This para: being in reply to a Military Despatch, dated 30th April, No. 2 of 1858, will accordingly be referred to the Military Department.

5. Ordered to be intimated to the Superintendent of Marine in reference to a letter from the late Marine Board, No. 1734, dated 22nd April 1858.

6. This para: will be communicated to the Military Department as connected with a Despatch in that Department, No. 4, dated 20th May 1858.

7. Copy of this para: will be furnished to the Superintendent of Marine, and to the Department Public Works.

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Para: 24. Notices the circumstances connected with the loss of a large quantity of Military Equipage shipped on the "England" at Madras and thrown overboard and washed away, in a Cyclone on the voyage to Calcutta, and observes that, with ordinary attention on the part of the Marine Authorities, this sacrifice of property might have been prevented.

Paras: 1, 4, 5, 7, 9, 11, 15, 17 to 19 & 21 to 23.

10. The Superintendent of Marine will be requested to communicate this para: to Mr. Meppen, in continuation of Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 8, dated 5th January 1858.

11. This para: will be referred to the Military Department in allusion to a letter from that Department, dated 30th April, No. 65 of 1858.

12. These paras: require no notice.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,

Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. A. Wilson.

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