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Government of Madras.

Marine DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Marine Department,
21st November 1860.*

No. 37. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel W. F. MARRIOTT, Acting Secretary to Government of Bombay, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Bombay Castle, 12th November 1860, No. 910.

With reference to my letter, No. 856, dated 23rd ultimo, I have the honor to forward copies of a further letter from the Commander-in-Chief of the Indian Navy, No. 935, dated 22nd idem, and its enclosure, regarding the proceedings of Assistant Surgeon Bonstead.

From Commodore G. G. WELLESLEY, Commander-in-Chief of the Indian Navy, to His Excellency the Honorable Sir GEORGE RUSSELL CLERK, K.C.B., Governor and President in Council, dated Bombay, 26th October 1860, No. 935.

With reference to the Proceedings of the Madras Government, No. 339 of the 1st instant, forwarded to me with Government Resolution, No. 828 of the 15th instant, I have the honor to forward a letter to my address from the Commander of the "Dalhousie," No. 438 of the 4th instant, reporting that Assistant Surgeon Bonstead appears to have again made a statement at variance with truth regarding his pay.

2. No Medical Certificate has reached me, recommending that Assistant Surgeon Bonstead should proceed to the Neilgherry Hills, or even reside on shore at Madras, for the benefit of his health, and the Commander of the "Dalhousie" reports that none has been forwarded to him.

From Commander F. W. HOPKINS, Commanding H. M.'s Steamer "Dalhousie," I. N., to Commodore G. G. WELLESLEY, C.B., R.N., Commander-in-Chief, I. N., dated Madras, 4th October 1860, No. 438.

I have the honor to enclose a document sent to me from the Chief Secretary to Government here, with regard to which I regret that it appears Assistant Surgeon Bonstead has again made a statement at variance with truth regarding his pay.

2. The facts are these, that on the afternoon of the 26th September 1860, Assistant Surgeon Bonstead came off in the ship's boat with me (he never spoke to me or I to him), he dined in the ward-room mess, he asked the Purser for a last Pay Certificate, which he told him he was unable to give, as he had not got the one from Calcutta, and that Doctor Bonstead had never rejoined and was not on the ship's books and he could not give him a Pay Certificate; this he stated before Mr. McGau, Executive Officer on the Quarter deck, in a former statement—Proceedings of Madras Government, dated 8th September already forwarded—as in this one, Assistant Surgeon Bonstead inferred neglect of duty and now fulfilment of promise to give a Pay Certificate, and in this letter represented that the Purser himself had lost it.

I have never been furnished with any Medical Certificate from Assistant Surgeon Bonstead since he came here from Calcutta beyond the one he sent himself, and which I forwarded to you I do not believe he was attended here by the Port Surgeon, Doctor Chipperfield, but lived at the Madras Club; he has, I suppose, gone on Medical Certificate to the Hills.

No. 38. ORDER THEREON, 21st November 1860, No. 405.

Communicated to the Superintendent of Marine, in continuation of Proceedings, 8th instant No. 396. Mr. Franklin will furnish Assistant Surgeon Bonstead with a copy of Commodore Wellesley's letter and its enclosure. The Government it is observed have not yet received the explanation which Assistant Surgeon Bonstead was called on to furnish by the Order of 15th October 1860, Marine Department, No. 356.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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To the Supdt of Marine.

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The Asst Secy to Govt
 re 9/10. Bombay

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No 409.

With reference to this
 letter No 856 of 23rd Oct last
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 the Commander-in-Chief of
 the Indian Navy regarding
 the proceedings of the
 Surgeon Bonstead.

With an Order.