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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Marine DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 119-20 Press Mis.

Dated 26th march 1857

Not to be folded or roughly handled

A Bill for the Levy of Port-dues and fees in the Port of Calcutta.

Preamble

Whereas it is necessary to fix the amount of the Port-dues and fees to be hereafter levied and taken in the Port of Calcutta in accordance with the provisions of Act XXII of 1855. It is enacted as follows:

I. Port-due at a rate not exceeding the rate of four annas for every Ton of burden shall be chargeable in respect of every vessel of the burden of fifty tons and upwards, whether propelled by Sails or by Steam which shall enter the said Port

II. Provided that no such due shall be chargeable in respect of any vessel which, having left the Port, is compelled by stress of weather to re-enter

-nage, exemption of fees

re-enter it by stress of weather, or in consequence of having sustained any damage.

III The Port due chargeable in respect of Steamers and country vessels employed in the Coasting trade shall be at a rate equal to one-half the rate chargeable in respect of other vessels, and such due shall not be chargeable oftener than once in sixty days in respect of the same vessel.

IV Vessels entering the Port in ballast shall be charged with three-fourths of the Port due which would otherwise be chargeable.

V On Tug Steamers and River Steamers belonging to the said Port the Port-due Chargeable under Section I of this Act shall be charged only once between the

the 1st day of January and the 30th day of June, and once between the 1st day of July and the 31st day of December in any year. The provisions of Section XLVI Act XXII of 1855 shall not be applicable to such Steamers.

VI Within the said Port and at Diamond Harbour fees may be charged for the following services at rates not exceeding those hereinafter specified viz.

Hauling to or from Chain Moorings each operation	}	16 Rs.
Ditto Do swinging Moorings each operation	}	10 Rs.
Removing		16 "
Hauling in or out of dock each operation	}	30 "
Removing from one part of the Port to another	}	24 "
Removing from one Moorings to another at the request of the Agent or Master	}	30 "
Hooking		16 "

Measure ——— 30 Pr.

VII This Act shall commence and have effect from and after and from and after that date no Port due or fee shall be levied at the said Port except under the authority of Act XXII of 1855 and of this Act.

M 1857
In No 106

Dispd 20th Oct

No 120

Marine Dept

From the Chief Secretary to Govt of Madras to

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The Honorable D Elliott Esq

Member for Madras of Leg. Council.

dated 26 March 1857 No 120

No Order thereon

I am to acknowledge the receipt of your letter under date the 4th inst with its accompaniment a copy of a Bill for the levy of Port dues & fees in the Port of Calcutta—

In reply I am instructed to inform you that the Govt has been in constant correspondence with the Marine Board on the subject of the Statements of the Tonnage, Complaints &c

No 3

From

G Ehall Esquire,

Member of the Legislative Council

To

T Pycroft Esquire,

Chief Secretary to Government,

Fort St George.

Dated Fort William the 11th March 1837

Sir,

I beg to remind you that by Section XLI of Act XXII of 1835 the period during which the dues and fees now levied at the several Ports in the Company's Territories may be collected, was limited to one year from the passing of that Act, and that the period was extended for a further period of 12 Months from the 13th August last by Act XII of 1836

The Member for Bengal has this day brought in a Bill to fix the rates at which such dues and rates shall hereafter be chargeable in the Port of Calcutta, and he intends to provide for the subordinate Ports by separate Bills.

A Copy accompanies

It may be most convenient to provide for the Port of Madras in like manner by

[illegible] the Legislature.

[illegible] during which it is

[illegible] Ports only

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[illegible] H M Solicitor

by a separate Bill and for any of the subordi-
-nate Ports of which the circumstances are
peculiar similarly by separate Bills. but it
seems that one Bill might be made to include
all the Ports whose circumstances are common.

It will be necessary to expe-
-dite the preparation of such Bills in order
to afford time for their going through the
regular stages and being passed before the
1st August, remembering that the present
rates and dues will be illegal from that
date, and that unless new rates are sanc-
-tioned by law in the meantime, the collec-
-tion must be suspended.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant,

D Pratt

Member of the Legislative Council

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in Communicat[illegible]
with H M Solicitor

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of the Instructions.
- during which it is

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No 14 of 1857.
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Draft Com. 31st March.

Marine 1857 Departt

From the Madras Member
Legislative Council of India

Dated 14th
Recd 23 March 1857

1 Encl.

No 106

Marine Depart.
No 119
Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Dated 26th March 1857
Read the following letter

From Secretary to Govt of India Legl Council
14 March 1857 —

Resolved that copy of the above letter & its enclosure be forwarded to the Secretary to the Board & that they be directed to report to this Govt how far the Madras Port Act No 1 of 1857 may be considered applicable to the Ports of Calcutta & Bombay with reference to the Rules of Tonnage Receipts — Rates of Pilotage &c &c in force at the Madras Ports & to report whether any alterations are required in the Rules of Tonnage

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Forwards copy of a Bill submitted by the Member for Bengal to fix the rates of Dues and Fees to be levied at the Ports of Calcutta and points out the necessity of a Bill for the Ports of Madras being submitted in time to come into operation on the 13 August next.

Copy sent to the Marine Board with copy of Enclosure & 26th March 1857 No 119.
do No 106 do do
Public Works Branch
No 1114 do

desired to bring under
the operation of the Act 4 & 5
1855.

2. Resolved also that
the Board be requested
to communicate
with the Secretary
of State, in pursuance
of the 3rd Section
of this Act

~~Sir~~ his letter, whether
the Court of Madras
the Subordinate Courts
of the Madras Presi-
dency should be
provided for by the
Lawyers separate
like. The Board would
also submit with
that answer practical
suggestion the mode of
the like nature that

will be necessary
for the purpose.

3. That the Board
will understand
that the present
Examination is argued,
and that a strong
petition for which its
receiving their instant
attention. If they
have any objection
-tion to the proceed
from the outports for the
completion of the
Statements they
will apply for it at
once to the Colonies
assigning such a
time within which
it is to be supplied,
and warning them
of the system

displeasure of Govt
if that time be
exceeded.

Copy
Mr. Arnim 18th Disp. 26th
with copy of Desp.
" M. Solicitor with &c. Disp. 26th

I have reported by Cable
officially & demi-officially
to Her Majesty's Govt. but only a
few hours can elapse
before I receive
instructions to file any
Declaration from the Lab. Govt.
in reply to
Secretary and have
been informed by Count
to Enter upon its Examination
Troops are being
landed - But this matter is upper
and Govt must be told so
plain terms

C 23 Branch
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Marine Office
4th May 1857
Para 11-12

Further letter from the Marine Board 29th April/57.

No 117 Sir I have &c
W Prime 1857 Secretary

3rd March 1857
No 159

29th March 1857
Admiralty
No 119

Read 4

*Dated 4th May 57 No 98 with
— do 11 — do — 99 — 3 do
1 Enclosure

on the points adverted
to in Para 3 of your
letter under ackn-
owledgment, we
have directed the Solici
-tor to be consulted on each
as practicable to draft
a bill or bills which
he would propose to
be brought in during the
present Session

I am directed
to take this opportu-
-nity of forwarding
for your information
copy of letters (with
enclosures) lately
addressed by this
Board to that of Admi
-ralty on the applicability
of Act 7 & 8 Vict 1855 to

Fort St. George
26 March 1857

Inventory of the Records of the Presidency

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Marine Ltr to Lieut 4th Regt
No 14 of 1857.
Para 11-12.

29 May/57

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In Dispatches 31st March.
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No. 120

To
The Members of the
Legislative Council
of India for Madras

26th March 57.

No 2 of 11th April 1857.

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