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From

R. W. Barlow Esquire

Chairman

Harbour Committee

To

The Honorable C. G. Master.

Chief Secretary to Government

Marine Department.

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I have the honour to be

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Your Most Obedient Servant

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Harbour Committee

Enclosures 4 28/

Proceedings of the Harbour Committee appointed under G. O. No. 121 Marine, dated 21st February 1883, at a meeting held on Tuesday the 12th June 1883.

Present.

- Mr. R. W. Barlow, Chairman.
- Honorable A. Mackenzie.
- Mr. H. A. Thorowgood.
- Mr. G. A. Ainslie.
- Mr. W. B. Oakes.
- Mr. H. W. Emery.
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Carried unanimously.

(True Extract)

W. W. W. W.

Chairman

Harbour Committee

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Madras Police
Commissioner's Office
29th March 1883.

From

Col: W. S. Dwyer C. S. I.
Commissioner of Police
Madras.

To

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sickness &c.

I have &c
Signed / W. S. Dwyer
Commissioner of Police

/ True copy /

W. S. Dwyer

As Chairman

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Marine (10183) Dept
From (Andras Harbour)

The Chairman
Harbour Committee

To

The Chief Secretary
to Government
Marine Department
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Dated 13 June 1883.

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* Visa 1905 dated
25th April 1881, No 199.
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Marine Dept

To The Chairman, Harbour Com-
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- P.W. Dept
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ORDER—dated 25th June 1883, No. 333, Marine.

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 „ Public Works Department.
 „ Commissioner of Police.

Chief Secretary.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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G.O., 25th June 1883, No. 333.

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Madras Harbour.

Passing orders on letter from the Chairman, Harbour Committee, submitting Resolution of the Committee proposing that the services of the Marine Police in escorting cargo and passenger boats be dispensed with.

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