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Govt. of {1895} Madras.

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To
THE QUARTER MASTER GENERAL,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated January, 23*rd.*

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G.O., 23rd January 1895, No. 420.

JANUARY.
Nos. 171-172.

Pay and Allowances.

Officers and men of the Indian Sub-Marine Mining Company.—Decision of the Government of India that —, when employed at the request of the civil authorities or private firms, shall receive certain fixed remuneration, communicated to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

WITH ORDER

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Order. dd 4 Feb. '95. No. 45

Commd. to the P.P. Officer in contn of G.O. dd. 17-2-93, No. 73. Mar.

FDB.
for CS
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Presidency Port Officer

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G.O., DATED 8 Feb. 95
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Pearl Fishery Steamer "Margarita"

Sanctioning the deputation of Mr. Seely, Port Officer, Bimlipatam, to assist in navigating the —.

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Marine (1895) DEPARTMENT.

From

THE PRESIDENCY PORT OFFICER,
Madras,

To

THE CHIEF SECY. TO GOVERNMENT,
MARINE DEPARTMENT,
Fort St. George.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT
6 FEB. 1895
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

No. 1430/30 G

Dated 6th } February 1895.
Received 6th }

No.

Subject.

Requests sanction of Govt: to Mr: Iely, P.O. Bimlipatam being deputed to assist Mr: Baker P.O. Tuticorin in navigating P.F. steamer "Margarita"

WITH ORDER

H.E. the Governor

The existing crew of the Margarita is entered on page 2 of G.O. d/ 5. Dec. 94, No. 66 Finl. It includes nobody capable of navigating the vessel.

J.D.B. 6/2

Why Commdr. Powell wants another officer to assist in navigating the Margarita does not appear. Mr. Baker had however another officer to help him when bringing that vessel and the Irene from Calcutta.

Two officers are probably required to stand watch though the Havelock was taken to Bombay by Mr. Carlyon alone.

May Commdr. Powell's request be complied with. Doing so will not add very materially to the cost of the trip

6/2/95

Yes - I fancy two competent navigators wd. be required for this class of trip.

W 7 Feb

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Sanctioned pro orders

To the P.P.O. & Acct. Genl.

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Baker.

2. I have asked the Collector to arrange for temporary charge of the Bimlipatam Port Office pending Mr. Boas' arrival from Gopalpur.

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

Personal Assistant
for Presidency Port Officer.

PAPER, No

OF 189 .

CURRENT NO. 88

Urgent

No. 1730/30 G

PRESIDENCY PORT OFFICE,
Madras, 6th February 1895.

Heading.

From
Commander W. Powell, R. I. M.,
~~THE~~ PRESIDENCY PORT OFFICER,
MADRAS,

To
THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
MARINE DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST GEORGE.

SIR,

In G.O., Marine, No 477, dated 18th December 1894, Government approved of the Pearl Fishery steamer "Margarita" being navigated by Mr Baker, Port Officer, Tuticorin, while required for Commander Powell and Mr Ashpitel. Commander Powell having now telegraphed to ask that arrangements may be made for the services of Mr Icely, Port Officer, Bimlipatam, to assist Mr Baker in navigating, I have the honor to request that the sanction of Government may be obtained to Mr Icely being deputed accordingly if his assistance is required by Mr Baker.

EXTRACT of Proceedings of the TRUSTEES OF THE HARBOUR

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Marine DEPARTMENT.

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EXTRACT of Proceedings of the TRUSTEES OF THE HARBOUR OF MADRAS, at a Meeting held at the Offices of the Board on Friday the 7th day of December 1894

4. The Chairman submitted to the Board the proceedings of the Committee appointed at the meeting of the 6th November under Section 37 Act II of 1886 to consider proposals regarding a joint passenger station for the M. R. & S. I. R. within Harbour Trust limits, also for providing improved facilities for landing and shipping cargo: and in doing so stated that the Committee recommended that Government be addressed, with a view to the appointment of a strong representative committee to consider the whole question of Railway communication, shipping

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an [illegible] yet be attempted to improve matters at this port, and it would appear that as a very considerable time must elapse, before any actual work could be commenced, the suggestion made by the Board's Committee was a good one, and should be adopted. It was therefore resolved that the Board approves of its Committee's recommendation. The Chairman is requested to address Government.

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True extract

HARBOUR TRUST
MADRAS 22.DEC.94
SECRETARY'S OFFICE

C. Vincent
Secretary
Harbour Trust Board

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To
C. No. 1079.

CURRENT No. 1079

Madras Harbour Trust.
SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
21st December 1894.

No. 3352

1/B

From Edward Turner Esquire I.C.S.
CHAIRMAN, HARBOUR TRUST BOARD,
MADRAS.

To The Hon'ble Mr. J. F. Price C.S.I.: I.C.S.
Chief Secretary to Government,
Marine Department.

SIR,

I have the honour to submit for the information of Government copy of resolution No. 4 passed by the Harbour Trust Board at its meeting of 7th December, confirmed this evening, with reference to a joint passenger station for the M. R. C. and S. I. R within the Harbour Trust premises; in connection with which the Board's Secretary, suggested that apart from his previous proposals for deep water docks for sea going steamers, the question of a boat-basin to the a [illegible] South of the Harbour — which formed part of Mr Parkes original scheme — should now be taken into consideration, and Mr Pinsent has proposed that the Harbour Trustees should in connection with such a boatbasin provide commodious Custom House accommodation within a walled enclosure, under the control of the Customs authorities, wherein could be provided ample facilities for the foreign import trade of the port, with low level quays, godowns, yards, and easy access for the Railways.

2. The Trustees appointed a committee to consider the matter, and at its first sitting the members of the Committee were favoured with the presence of the Hon'ble Colonel J. Pennycuick R.E. Chief Engineer, Public Works Department: Mr F. R. Upcott Consulting Engineer to Government for Railways: and also the Agents and Chief Engineers of the Madras and South Indian Railways.

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3. The Committee approved principle of the suggestions made for improved Railway communication and facilities for landing and shipping cargo, with ample and convenient Customs accommodation: and the members were also unanimously of opinion that the question of a Canal, between the Harbour and the East Coast Canal system, — should be also considered in connection with these improvements. It was therefore recommended to the Board by the Committee, that Government should be addressed with a view to the appointment of a strong representative Committee, to consider the whole question, and this recommendation the Trustees unanimously approve.

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the principle of affording improved facilities in connection with the Harbour, on the lines indicated, the Trustees will be prepared to take into favourable consideration any scheme which may meet with general approval. Rough Estimates have been framed, and it would appear that the Trust has ample funds in hand to meet all outlay, should Government approve of surplus cash being so spent, instead of being refunded in reduction of Capital debt under Section 32 Act II of 1886 as lately proposed.

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your obedt Servant
E Tanner
Chairman
Harbour Trust Board

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CURRENT No. 1079

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

FROM
THE CHAIRMAN,
HARBOUR TRUST BOARD,
MADRAS.

TO
THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
Marine Department.

DATED 21st December 1894

DESPATCHED 22nd — do — 1894

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CHIEF SECRETARY
24 DEC 1894
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

ENCLOSURE One

No. 3352

SUBJECT.

Submitting for information of Government, Copy of Harbour Trust Board's resolution No. 4 of 7th Decr 1894 & requesting that a strong representative Committee may be appointed by Government to consider the questions of improved Railway Communications & facilities for landing & shipping cargo at this port:—

[illegible] 22/12

It was settled in Council that the Govt: should be represented on this Committee by Col. Pennycuick & Messrs. Arundel & Upcott, & Turner

W
27 Jan

Mr Arundel and Mr Upcott [illegible] added [illegible]

This is very true & the point correct
HS

Very apparent, I think
HS

Printed Marine
Current 1079.

Since this letter was written a comm^n from India has come to hand accepting the Board's offer to refund a lump sum of 5 lakhs this year. It will take some time before the Board accumulates such a balance again.

Apparently the trade of Madras has been declining for some time and the object should therefore be to attract as much more as possible. The improvements should therefore be entirely in the interests of the shipping & trading communities. and every endeavour shd: be made to make the port a cheap one. It is not apparent how the construction of a boat basin would tend to facilitate any of the objects in view.

It would appear to be rather premature to evolve large schemes in connection with the harbour at present - a year or two's experience of the completed harbour might cause vast alterations in recommendations. Suppose, for example, that silting takes place and that it be found necessary to close the Eastern entrance.

No harm could be done by appointing a Committee at once - on which the mercantile and shipping world should be strongly represented - but the question is would any ultimate good result. Whatever might be decided on the expenditure would necessarily be very large and it is well known that at present the Board's financial condition would not justify its embarking on large works.

It is submitted that the best officer to consult in the matter is Colonel Pennycuick but it would be well to place him in possession of the present feelings of the Govt in the matter, as to which instructions are accordingly requested.

J.D.B.
10/1/95

P.S.

In regard to docks, please see the G.O. put up. The line for a railway from Madura to Paumben is now being surveyed - When this line

The harbour is so nearly finished that it is time that the whole subject of improving the trade of the port should be taken up.

No harm can possibly be done by a good Committee enquiring into the question - and I would suggest Col. Pennycuick being appointed to represent the Govt.

I am not in a position at present to give him any instructions as I really do not know what is proposed - but if he could bring ~~them~~ the proposals up with the plans & maps we might discuss the question with him - and come to a decision later.

W
13 Jan

Circ

Yes - let us discuss the matter with Col. P. — I have put 2 lakhs into the budget for beginning the Canal to connect the harbour with the Buckm. Canal, and unless the circces change or India interferes that money will be available - If the Harbour Trust will do their part of widening out a part of this canal so as to form a boat basin, which should be surrounded by walls & bordered (on the S. side) by sheds &c

I should say nothing
HS

x As to forming an addl. to the Custom House, a great improvement may, I think, be effected in a short time. It is questionable whether it will be sufficient to have one representative of Govt. (in the person of Col. P.) on the proposed Commee. — The question of addl. Cust: House accommodation is at present more urgent — It should be taken up with the project — I wd. ∴ put Mr. Arundel on the Commee — I assume that Mr. Turner will be on the Commee in his capacity of chairman of the H.T.B. If not, he also shd. be nominated by Govt.

HS
16/1/95

I agree
JG 17/1

completed some of the
trade of Madras is
sure to be diverted to
a southern port.

I doubt this.
L.G. 11/1

I submit that no harm can be done
by appointing the proposed Committee –

L.G. 11/1

Harbour Improvem^ts

H.E. the Governor
and circ

C.S.

I am not clear from
H.E.'s note whether he
wishes to consult Col:
P. now or after a
Committee has been
appointed and has sub^d.
its report. The first
seems desirable as ~~the~~
Col. P. may have sug-
-gestions to make in
regard to the formation
of the Committee.

Perhaps the papers
might be sent to him
with the request that
he will mention the
matter at Council
on Monday.

F.S.B.
19/1

I do not understand that H.E. wishes
the appointment of the Comm^ee delayed
pending consultation with the C.E.
but let Col. P. see the papers before
Council on Monday as suggested
above –

L.G. 19/1

Marine DEPARTMENT.

in Proceedings :—

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ed 21st Dec^r. from the Chairman, H.T.B.

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ORDER.

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As the Madras harbour is now so nearly completed ~~it is time that~~ the subject of improving the trade of the port should ~~be taken up~~ is one which ~~have early consideration~~ have early attention. The Government ~~therefore~~ therefore cordially approves of the proposal of the H.T.Bd. to appoint a strong representative Committee to consider the ~~whole~~ whole question.

2. The following officers will be appointed ~~to the Committee~~ to represent Govt.:-

The Hon. Col. J. Pennycuick, R.E., President

,, Hon. Mr. A.T. Arundel, I.C.S.
,, Mr. F.R. Upcott, M.I.C.E.
,, Mr. E. Turner, I.C.S..

and the undermentioned ~~The following~~ bodies will be requested to nominate the number of ~~a~~ gentlemen ~~each~~ to serve as Members noted below :—

The	Harbour Trust Board	2
,,	Chamber of Commerce	2
,,	Trades Association	2
,,	Madras Railway Company.	1
,,	South Indian Railway Co.	1
,,	Municipal Commission.	1
,,	Kolar Gold Field Mining B^d.	1

J.P.
24/1/95

F.S.B.
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I submit that no harm can be done by appointing the proposed Committee –

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subject discussed in Council. It was decided ~~that~~ Mr Upcott and [illegible] should be appointed to the Committee 3 present in addition to Col. Pennycuick –

I would suggest that the following bodies at least should be asked to nominate a member –

The Harbour Trust
The Chamber of Commerce
The Trades Association
The S.I. Railway
The Madras Railway
The Municipality of Madras

21.1.95

Ch. Sec.

Marine DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in Proceedings :—

Again G.O., dated 18 , No.
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Current No. 1079 of 1894, dated 21st Decr. from the Chairman, H.T.B.

Current No. of 18 , dated from

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~~[illegible]~~
the means which it provides for working
~~[illegible]~~

For orders
As to Col. P. being President
As to Mr Turner being a member
} [illegible]

O R D E R.

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,, Mr. F.R.Upcott, M.I.C.E.
,, Mr. E.Turner, I.C.S.

~~The following~~ and the undermentioned bodies will be request~~[illegible]~~ed to nominate the number of gentlemen ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] as Members noted below:—

The Harbour Trust Board	2
,, Chamber of Commerce.	2
,, Trades Association.	2
,, Madras Railway Company.	1
,, South Indian Railway Co.	1
,, Municipal Commission.	1

[illegible]

24/1/95

I hear that the European merchants are very eager that there should be at least 3 of them on the Comm. – I therefore propose to regulate the number of persons to be nominated by the different ~~to~~ bodies as shown opposite their names. The Comm will then be 13 strong, but I hope the unwieldiness of the number will not prejudice their deliberations.

29/1/95

To The Hon: Col: J. Pennycuick R.E.
— " — Mr: A.T. Arundel. I.C.S.
~~To~~ F. R. Upcott Esq. M.I.C.E.
E. Turner Esq. I.C.S.
The Chairman, H.T.B.
,, ,, , Chamber of Com.
,, ,, , Trades Assocn.
,, Agent, & Manager, M.R.C.
,, ,, , S.I.R.Co.
,, President, Municipal Commission.
,, thro' L. & M. Dept.
,, Financial Dept.
,, P.W.D.
, Presidency Post Office r.

J.D.B. 22/1

Harbour Committee

H. E. the Gov & Circ

C 24/1 | C 29/1
R 28/1 | R 31/1

R 15/1 / R 18/1

Marine Dept.

Resubmitted to H.E. the Governor with reference to the Hon'ble Mr Bliss' proposed alterations to the draft order. His Excellency's previous note will be found on the back of C. 1079.

Current 69 has since been recd. from the Chamber of Commerce. It is proposed to print it at the head of the G.O. after C. 1079. 1/2/95

It will be seen from G.O. 5.12.94, No. 465 Marine, that the Kolar Gold Field Mining Board take an interest in the working of the port of Madras. They apparently import large quantities of "coal, "machinery and other "goods". May they be asked whether they care

I quite agree with the proposed alterations. They ought to result in the constitution of a strong & representative Committee. I see no objection to the Kolar Gold Field being represented. There is no doubt that they are ~~a~~ very good customers of the port, with which they are in direct railway communication without break of bulk, & they might well send a member who would at the same time break up the ominous number of 13 - An addition of one would not make the Committee unwieldy. Col. Pennycuick shd. be President.

W
4 Feb

× I submit that this is unnecessary.

care to nominate a Member?

As a rule, however, the larger the Committee the more unworkable it is and the longer the delay in arriving at "conclusions".

J.D.B.
1/2/95.

The Madras Chamber of Commerce,
Madras, 28th Jany 1895.

FROM
The Hon'ble Mr. G. G. Arbuthnot
CHAIRMAN, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,
MADRAS.

CHIEF SEC
29. JAN. 1895
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

TO

The Chief Secretary to Government
Marine Department
Fort Saint George.

Sir,

In the minutes of the Proceedings of a Meeting of the Trustees of the Madras Harbour, held on the 7th ultimo, published in the Fort St. George Gazette of the 8th instant, the Chamber observes that the Trustees adopted the recommendation of the Committee appointed by the Board, that Government should be addressed with a view to the appointment of a strong representative Committee to consider the question of railway communication within Harbour limits, improved facilities for landing and shipping cargo and Custom House arrangements.

The Chamber desires to express its entire concurrence with the action of the Trustees of the Harbour and its hope that Government will be pleased to sanction the appointment of such a Committee.

There is, in the Chamber's opinion, not the slightest doubt that the present facilities for handling and moving cargo are totally inadequate for the requirements of the trade of this port, and that the subject can only be efficiently dealt with by a thoroughly representative Committee such as is suggested.

As an instance of the difficulty which is now experienced in disposing of cargo, the Chamber would mention that although the Custom House

was practically empty when the S.S. "Clan Sinclair" arrived on the 20th instant, it was found impossible to store all her cargo therein, notwithstanding the fact that a large portion of the Customs Yard reserved for cargo of B.I.S.N.Co, P&O.S.N.Co, and German steamers had also been utilised for the storage of cargo of "Clan Sinclair", with the result that on the night of the 21st idem a large number of bales and cases had to be left on the beach, and thirty truck loads of goods on the pier trucks. If such difficulty exists when the cargo of only one medium sized steamer is concerned, the Chamber fails to see how storage room can be found for the cargo of three or four steamers arriving almost simultaneously, as will be the case early next month, when the S.S. "Clan Graham", Clan Macintosh, P&O "Simla" and a German boat will arrive on about the same day.

I have

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedt. Servant,
George G. Arbuthnot
Chairman.

[G/9]
2,000—23-1-95.

Current No.

M. DEPARTMENT.

From

The Chairman
Chamber of Commerce
Madras

No.

Dated 28. 1. 95

Received 29/1
Regd 30/1
Enclosures

SUBJECT.

Requesting to sanction the appt. of a committee to consider the question of Ry communication within Harbour limits, improved facilities for landing & shipping cargo & custom House arrangements:

9th FEBRUARY 1895, No. , MARINE.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following papers :—

From E. TURNER Esq., I.C.S., Chairman, Harbour Trust Board, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 21st December 1894, No. 3352.

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2. The trustees appointed a committee to consider the matter; and at its first sitting the members of the committee were favoured with the presence of the Hon'ble Colonel J. Pennycuick, R.E., Chief Engineer, Public Works Department: Mr. F. R. Upcott, Consulting Engineer to Government for Railways: and also the Agents and Chief Engineers of the Madras and South Indian Railways.

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4. I need not now enter into any details of the proposals made, but would merely remark that should Government approve of the principle of affording improved facilities in connection with the harbour on the lines indicated, the trustees will be prepared to take into favorable consideration any scheme which may meet with general approval. Rough estimates have been framed, and it would appear that the Trust has ample funds in hand to meet all outlay, should Government approve of surplus cash being so spent, instead of being refunded in reduction of capital debt under section 32, Act II of 1886, as lately proposed.

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HARBOUR TRUST, MADRAS,
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~~Chief Secretary.~~

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

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From E. TURNER Esq., I.C.S., Chairman, Harbour Trust Board, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 21st December 1894, No. 3352.

I have the honour to submit, for the information of Government, copy of resolution No. 4 passed by the Harbour Trust Board at its meeting of 7th December, confirmed this evening, with reference to a joint passenger station for the Madras Railway Company and South Indian Railway within the Harbour Trust premises; in connection with which the Board's Secretary suggested that apart from his previous proposals for deep water docks for sea-going steamers, the question of a boat-basin to the south of the harbour—which formed part of Mr. Parkes' original scheme—should now be taken into consideration, and Mr. Pinsent has proposed that the Harbour Trustees should, in connection with such a boat-basin, provide commodious Custom-house accommodation within a walled enclosure, under the control of the Customs authorities, wherein could be provided ample facilities for the foreign import trade of the port, with low level quays, godowns, yards, and easy access for the railways.

2. The trustees appointed a committee to consider the matter; and at its first sitting the members of the committee were favoured with the presence of the Hon'ble Colonel J. Pennycuick, R.E., Chief Engineer, Public Works Department: Mr. F. R. Upcott, Consulting Engineer to Government for Railways: and also the Agents and Chief Engineers of the Madras and South Indian Railways.

3. The committee approved in principle of the suggestions made for improved railway communication and facilities for landing and shipping cargo, with ample and convenient customs accommodation; and the members were also unanimously of opinion that the question of a canal, between the Harbour and the East Coast Canal System, should be also considered in connection with these improvements. It was therefore recommended to the Board by the committee that Government should be addressed with a view to the appointment of a strong representative committee, to consider the whole question, and this recommendation the trustees unanimously approve.

4. I need not now enter into any details of the proposals made, but would merely remark that should Government approve of the principle of affording improved facilities in connection with the harbour on the lines indicated, the trustees will be prepared to take into favorable consideration any scheme which may meet with general approval. Rough estimates have been framed, and it would appear that the Trust has ample funds in hand to meet all outlay, should Government approve of surplus cash being so spent, instead of being refunded in reduction of capital debt under section 32, Act II of 1886, as lately proposed.

Enclosure.

Extract of Proceedings of the Trustees of the Harbour of Madras, at a meeting held at the offices of the Board on Friday the 7th day of December 1894.

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4. The Chairman submitted to the Board the Proceedings of the committee appointed at the meeting of the 6th November under section 37, Act II of 1886, to consider proposals regarding a joint passenger station for the Madras Railway Company and South Indian Railway

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The trustees discussed the matter at considerable length and arrived at the conclusion that a feeling undoubtedly existed amongst the mercantile community, that the time had now arrived when something might be attempted to improve matters at this port, and it would appear that as a very considerable time must elapse before any actual work could be commenced, the suggestion made by the Board's committee was a good one, and should be adopted. It was therefore resolved that the Board approves of its committee's recommendation. The Chairman is requested to address Government.

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" South Indian Railway Company	1	D Logan
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