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G.O., No. 585 War

DATED 28 August 1896.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Basses and Minors & Lighthouses, Govt of India order
on despatch from the Secretary of State forwarding copies of
an Order in Council revising the dues leviable in respect of
the — together with tables showing the amount of dues
leviable at ports in India at the increased rate of
exchange ^{as the exchange is 15 paise} to the Regt. Port Officer Holders of mari-
time districts and the Order in Council moved to be
published in the Gazette for all maritime & D. Gazette.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper:—

From the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department, dated Simla, the 20th August 1896, No. 3587 S.R.

Read—the following despatch from the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India, to His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor-General of India in Council, dated India Office, London, 30th July 1896, No. 94 (Revenue):—

I forward, for the information of your Excellency's Government, 100 copies of an Order in Council, made on the 29th June 1896, revising the dues leviable in respect of the Basses and Minicoy Lighthouses, together with a like number of tables showing the amount of dues leviable at ports in India at the treasury rate of exchange of one shilling and one penny half-penny per rupee, less the abatement of 25 per cent.; and I request that they may be distributed to Collectors of Customs at the various ports in India without delay.

ENCLOSURES.

AT THE COURT AT WINDSOR.

The 29th day of June, 1896.

PRESENT:

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Order in Council, dated the 22nd day of May 1883: After reciting (amongst other things) that by the Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act, 1855, it was enacted that in any case in which any lighthouse, buoy, or beacon, had been or should be thereafter erected or placed on or near the coasts of any British Possession by or with the consent of the Legislative Authority of such Possession, Her Majesty might, by Order in Council, fix such dues in respect thereof to be paid by the Owner or Master of every ship which passes the same or derives benefit therefrom as Her Majesty might deem reasonable, and might in like manner from time to time increase, diminish, or repeal such dues, and that from the time specified in such Order for the commencement of the dues thereby fixed, increased, or diminished, the same should be leviable throughout Her Majesty's dominions in manner thereafter mentioned: And reciting that Lighthouses had, by and with the consent of the Legislative Authority of the Colony of Ceylon, been constructed and placed on the Great Basses Rock and on the Little Basses Rock in the said Colony, and a light had been exhibited from each of such Lighthouses: And reciting that it was proposed to construct a Lighthouse on the Island of Minicoy between the Maldives and the Laccadive Islands, and to exhibit a light therefrom: And reciting that the Legislative Authorities of India, Ceylon, the Straits Settlements, and Mauritius had given such consents as were necessary either to the erection of the Lighthouses or to the collection of dues in respect thereof: And reciting Section 10 of the Public Works Loans Act, 1881, which provided (amongst other things) that so long as any money was due to the Public Works Loan Commissioners on account of any loan under that Section, the dues payable in respect of the Great Basses Lighthouse and the Little Basses Lighthouse, or the Minicoy Lighthouse, should be altered only with the consent of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury: And reciting that it was expedient that provision should be made for the payment of such of the said dues as might be payable in India, Ceylon, the Straits Settlements, and Mauritius, including the Seychelles Islands, in the currency of the respective countries in which they are payable: And reciting that the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury had signified their consent to the dues specified in the two schedules annexed to the Order now in recital: And reciting that the several classes of ships therein particularly specified would pass the said Great Basses Lighthouse and the said Little Basses Lighthouse, and would derive benefit therefrom: And reciting that the several classes of ships therein also particularly specified would pass the said Minicoy Lighthouse and would derive benefit therefrom: Her Majesty, by the said Order now in recital, was pleased to direct that from and after the

date of such Order the dues specified in the Schedule marked A., thereunto annexed, should be levied in respect of the Great Basses Lighthouse and the Little Basses Lighthouse: And that from and after the first exhibition of a Light from the said Minicoy Lighthouse the dues specified in the Schedule marked B., thereunto annexed, should be levied in respect thereof:

And whereas all advances made by the Public Works Loan Commissioners in respect of the Great Basses Lighthouse, the Little Basses Lighthouse, and the Minicoy Lighthouse have been repaid:

And whereas by an Order in Council, dated the 9th day of May, 1892, Her Majesty was pleased to direct that from the time therein mentioned, the dues theretofore levied in respect of the said Lighthouses under the herein-before recited Order of the 22nd day of May, 1883, should be subject to an abatement or discount of 50 per centum:

And whereas by the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, the Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act, 1855, has been repealed, but the herein-before recited provisions of such last-mentioned Act are re-enacted and continued by the said Merchant Shipping Act, 1894:

And whereas it has been made to appear to Her Majesty to be expedient that the amount of the dues specified in the Schedules marked A. and B., annexed to the said recited Order of the 22nd day of May, 1883, as altered by the said recited Order of the 9th day of May, 1892, should be varied by diminishing the same in manner herein-after mentioned:

And whereas the provisions of section one of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, have been complied with:

Now, THEREFORE, Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers vested in Her by the said recited Acts, or either of them, doth by this Order in Council fix the dues to be paid in respect of the Great Basses Lighthouse and the Little Basses Lighthouse at three-eighths of one penny per ton of the burden of every ship on every voyage in which she passes or derives benefit from the said Lights, that is to say:—

Every ship which, in the same voyage by the southward of Ceylon, shall cross a line drawn from the southernmost point of Ceylon to the north-westernmost point of the Island of Sumatra, and also a line from the southernmost point of Ceylon to Cape Guardafui on the eastern coast of Africa, and *vice versa*.

Every ship which, in any voyage to or from any place in the Maldiv Islands, shall cross a line drawn from the southernmost point of Ceylon to the north-westernmost point of Sumatra.

Every ship which in any voyage from any port on the eastern coast of Africa, south of Cape Guardafui, or from any port in Madagascar, Bourbon, Mauritius, or any island adjacent to the same, including the Seychelles and the Chagos Islands; or in any voyage in which such ship shall have rounded the Cape of Good Hope eastward shall cross a line drawn from the southernmost point of Ceylon to the southernmost point of the coast of Tenasserin, and shall, between the 1st day of April and the 30th day of September, both included, arrive at any port situated north of such line.

Every ship which having departed between the 1st day of October and the 31st day of March, both included, from any port situated to the northward of such last-mentioned line, and also to the westward of the ninetieth meridian of longitude east from Greenwich, in any voyage to any port on the eastern coast of Africa south of Cape Guardafui, or to any port in Madagascar, Bourbon, Mauritius, or any island adjacent thereto, including the Seychelles and the Chagos Islands, or in any voyage in which such ship shall round the Cape of Good Hope westward, shall cross the latitude of the Great Basses Lighthouse, or the Little Basses Lighthouse, on the eastward side of the said lighthouse.

And further Her Majesty doth by this Order in Council fix the dues to be paid in respect of the Minicoy Lighthouse at one-eighth of one penny per ton of the burden of every ship on every voyage in which she passes or derives benefit from the said light, that is to say:—

Every ship which in any voyage shall or may pass between the Laccadive Islands and the Maldiv Islands through the channel known as the nine degree channel, north of Minicoy Island, or through that known as the eight degree channel south of Minicoy Island.

And further Her Majesty is pleased to direct that the dues hereby fixed shall be subject to an abatement or discount of twenty-five per centum.

And further that when the said dues are paid or collected in India, Ceylon, Mauritius, or the Seychelles Islands, the same may be paid in the currency of those countries at the rate fixed for the time being by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for the adjustment of accounts between the Imperial and Indian Governments.

And further that when the said dues are paid or collected in the Straits Settlements, the same may be paid in the currency of that country according to the current rate or value of the dollar in English currency at the port where the said dues are paid or collected.

And lastly Her Majesty is pleased to order and direct that this Order shall come into operation and take effect on and after the 1st day of July, 1896, or from the time of the receipt of the notice of this Order (if that be later) by the officers authorized to collect light dues, from which dates respectively the dues specified in the Schedules annexed to the said Order of the 22nd day of May, 1883, and altered by the said Order of the 9th day of May, 1892, shall cease to be levied.

C. L. PEEL.

TABLE showing the amount of Great and Little Basses and Minicoy Light Dues leviable at Ports in India at the Treasury Rate of Exchange of One Shilling and One Penny Halfpenny per Rupee, less the abatement of twenty-five per cent.

Great and Little Basses, ½d. per ton less 25 per cent.			Minicoy, ¼d. per ton, less 25 per cent.			Great and Little Basses and Minicoy, ½d. per ton, less 25 per cent.		
TONS NET.	RS.	A. P.	TONS NET.	RS.	A. P.	TONS NET.	RS.	A. P.
1	0	0 4	1	0	0 1	1	0	0 5
2	0	0 8	2	0	0 3	2	0	0 11
3	0	1 0	3	0	0 4	3	0	1 4
4	0	1 4	4	0	0 5	4	0	1 9
5	0	1 8	5	0	0 7	5	0	2 3
6	0	2 0	6	0	0 8	6	0	2 8
7	0	2 4	7	0	0 9	7	0	3 1
8	0	2 8	8	0	0 11	8	0	3 7
9	0	3 0	9	0	1 0	9	0	4 0
10	0	3 4	10	0	1 1	10	0	4 5
20	0	6 8	20	0	2 3	20	0	8 11
30	0	10 0	30	0	3 4	30	0	13 4
40	0	13 4	40	0	4 5	40	1	1 9
50	1	0 8	50	0	5 7	50	1	6 3
60	1	4 0	60	0	6 8	60	1	10 8
70	1	7 4	70	0	7 9	70	1	15 1
80	1	10 8	80	0	8 11	80	2	3 7
90	1	14 0	90	0	10 0	90	2	8 0
100	2	1 4	100	0	11 1	100	2	12 5
200	4	2 8	200	1	6 3	200	5	8 11
300	6	4 0	300	2	1 4	300	8	5 4
400	8	5 4	400	2	12 5	400	11	1 9
500	10	6 8	500	3	7 7	500	13	14 3
600	12	8 0	600	4	2 8	600	16	10 8
700	14	9 4	700	4	13 9	700	19	7 1
800	16	10 8	800	5	8 11	800	22	3 7
900	18	12 0	900	6	4 0	900	25	0 0
1,000	20	13 4	1,000	6	15 1	1,000	27	12 5
2,000	41	10 8	2,000	13	14 3	2,000	55	8 11
3,000	62	8 0	3,000	20	13 4	3,000	83	5 4
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5,000	104	2 8	5,000	34	11 7	5,000	138	14 3

BOARD OF TRADE, LONDON,
1st April 1896.

Ordered that the despatch and its enclosures be published in the *Gazette of India*; also that copies be forwarded to the Governments of Madras, Bombay and Bengal, and to the Chief Commissioner of Burma, in continuation of No. 3109, dated the 27th July 1892.

(Signed) J. E. O'CONOR,
Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

ORDER—No. 585, Marine, dated 28th August 1896.

Communicated, with a copy of the Order in Council, to the Presidency Port Officer and Collectors of Maritime Districts for guidance, in continuation of G.O., No. 237, Marine, dated 1st July 1892.

The Order in Council will be republished in the Fort St. George and all Maritime District Gazettes.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. McNEIL CAMPBELL, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Presidency Port Officer.
" the Accountant-General.
" Collectors of Maritime Districts.
" the Superintendent, Government Press.

Exd. T. K. Narayana Aiyangar.

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The Hon. Mr. Bliss C. J. S.

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From

The Govt of India
Finance & Commerce Dept.

No. 3587 S. R.

Dated 20th August 1896

Received 27th August 1896

Enclosures 3.

Spare copies (10 spare copies of 2)

SUBJECT.

Basses + minicoy light dues
Forwarding copy of despatches
from the Secretary of State
Communicating Her Majesty's
Order in Council for the reduction
in —

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When it is necessary to republish notices, it will save
time if they are sent for publication first & then sent to me for
perusal. This is what is done in the R.D. with India's orders
& notices in Customs matters.

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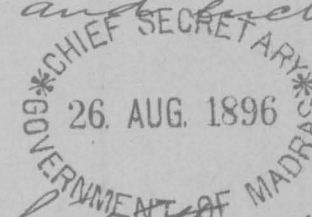
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE DEPARTMENT.

Simla, the 20th August 1896.

Read

Despatch from the Secretary of
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Assistant Secy. to the Govt. of India.
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India Office.

London, 30th July 1896.

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Revenue
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His Excellency the Right Honourable the
Governor General of India in Council
My Lord,

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of Your Excellency's Government, 100
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on the 29th June 1896, revising the dues
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like number of Tables showing the
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change of one shilling and one penny
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Yours,
Shavese.

(Sd) George Hamilton

AT THE COURT AT WINDSOR,

The 29th day of June, 1896.

PRESENT,

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY
IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by an Order in Council, dated the 22nd day of May 1883: After reciting (amongst other things) that by the Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act, 1855, it was enacted that in any case in which any Lighthouse, buoy, or beacon, had been or should be thereafter erected or placed on or near the coasts of any British Possession by or with the consent of the Legislative Authority of such Possession, Her Majesty might by Order in Council fix such dues in respect thereof to be paid by the Owner or Master of every ship which passes the same or derives benefit therefrom as Her Majesty might deem reasonable, and might in like manner from time to time increase, diminish, or repeal such dues, and that from the time specified in such Order for the commencement of the dues thereby fixed, increased, or diminished, the same should be leviable throughout Her Majesty's dominions in manner thereafter mentioned: And reciting that Lighthouses had, by and with the consent of the Legislative Authority of the Colony of Ceylon, been constructed and placed on the Great Basses Rock and on the Little Basses Rock in

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the said Colony, and a light had been exhibited from each of such Lighthouses: And reciting that it was proposed to construct a Lighthouse on the Island of Minicoy between the Maldive and the Laccadive Islands, and to exhibit a light therefrom: And reciting that the Legislative Authorities of India, Ceylon, the Straits Settlements, and Mauritius had given such consents as were necessary either to the erection of the Lighthouses or to the collection of dues in respect thereof: And reciting Section 10 of the Public Works Loans Act, 1881, which provided (amongst other things) that so long as any money was due to the Public Works Loan Commissioners on account of any loan under that Section, the dues payable in respect of the Great Basses Lighthouse and the Little Basses Lighthouse, or the Minicoy Lighthouse should be altered only with the consent of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury: And reciting that it was expedient that provision should be made for the payment of such of the said dues as might be payable in India, Ceylon, the Straits Settlements, and Mauritius, including the Seychelles Islands, in the currency of the respective countries in which they are payable: And reciting that the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury had signified their consent to the dues specified in the Two Schedules annexed to the Order now in recital: And reciting that the several classes of ships therein particularly specified would pass the said Great Basses Lighthouse and the said Little Basses Lighthouse, and would derive benefit therefrom: And reciting that the several classes of ships therein also particularly specified would pass the said Minicoy Lighthouse and would derive benefit therefrom: Her Majesty, by the said Order now in recital, was pleased to direct that from and after the date of such Order the dues specified in the Schedule marked A., thereunto annexed, should be levied in respect of the Great Basses Lighthouse and the Little Basses Lighthouse: And that from and after the first exhibition of a Light from the said Minicoy Lighthouse the dues specified in the Schedule marked B., thereunto annexed, should be levied in respect thereof:

And whereas all advances made by the Public Works Loan Commissioners in respect of the Great Basses Lighthouse, the Little Basses Lighthouse, and the Minicoy Lighthouse have been repaid:

And whereas by an Order in Council, dated the 9th day of May, 1892, Her Majesty was pleased to direct that from the time therein

mentioned the dues theretofore levied in respect of the said Lighthouses under the herein-before recited Order of the 22nd day of May, 1883, should be subject to an abatement or discount of 50 per centum:

And whereas by the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, the Merchant Shipping Act Amendment Act, 1855, has been repealed, but the herein-before recited provisions of such last-mentioned Act are re-enacted and continued by the said Merchant Shipping Act, 1894:

And whereas it has been made to appear to Her Majesty to be expedient that the amount of the dues specified in the Schedules marked A. and B., annexed to the said recited Order of the 22nd day of May, 1883, as altered by the said recited Order of the 9th day of May, 1892, should be varied by diminishing the same in manner herein-after mentioned:

And whereas the provisions of section one of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, have been complied with:

NOW, THEREFORE, Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers vested in Her by the said recited Acts, or either of them, doth by this Order in Council fix the dues to be paid in respect of the Great Basses Lighthouse and the Little Basses Lighthouse at three-eighths of one penny per ton of the burden of every ship on every voyage in which she passes or derives benefit from the said Lights, that is to say:—

Every ship which, in the same voyage by the southward of Ceylon, shall cross a line drawn from the southernmost point of Ceylon to the north-westernmost point of the Island of Sumatra, and also a line from the southernmost point of Ceylon to Cape Guardafui on the eastern coast of Africa, and *vice versa*.

Every ship which, in any voyage to or from any place in the Maldive Islands, shall cross a line drawn from the southernmost point of Ceylon to the north-westernmost point of Sumatra.

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Cape of Good Hope eastward shall cross a line drawn from the southernmost point of Ceylon to the southernmost point of the coast of Tenasserin, and shall, between the 1st day of April and the 30th day of September, both included, arrive at any port situated north of such line.

Every ship which having departed between the 1st day of October and the 31st day of March, both included, from any port situated to the northward of such last-mentioned line, and also to the westward of the ninetieth meridian of longitude east from Greenwich, in any voyage to any port on the eastern coast of Africa south of Cape Guardafui, or to any port in Madagascar, Bourbon, Mauritius, or any island adjacent thereto, including the Seychelles and the Chagos Islands, or in any voyage in which such ship shall round the Cape of Good Hope westward, shall cross the latitude of the Great Basses Lighthouse, or the Little Basses Lighthouse, on the eastward side of the said lighthouse.

And further Her Majesty doth by this Order in Council fix the dues to be paid in respect of the Minicoy Lighthouse at one-eighth of one penny per ton of the burden of every ship on every voyage in which she passes or derives benefit from the said light, that is to say :—

Every ship which in any voyage shall or may pass between the Laccadive Islands and the Maldivé Islands through the channel known as the nine degree channel, north of Minicoy Island, or through that known as the eight degree channel south of Minicoy Island.

And further Her Majesty is pleased to direct that the dues hereby fixed shall be subject to an abatement or discount of twenty five per centum.

And further that when the said dues are paid or collected in India, Ceylon, Mauritius, or the Seychelles Islands, the same may be paid in the currency of those countries at the rate fixed for the time being by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for the adjustment of accounts between the Imperial and Indian Governments.

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country according to the current rate or value of the dollar in English currency at the port where the said dues are paid or collected.

And lastly Her Majesty is pleased to order and direct that this Order shall come into operation and take effect on and after the 1st day of July, 1896, or from the time of the receipt of the notice of this Order (if that be later) by the officers authorized to collect light dues, from which dates respectively the dues specified in the Schedules annexed to the said Order of the 22nd day of May, 1883, and altered by the said Order of the 9th day of May, 1892, shall cease to be levied.

C. L. PEEL.

TABLE showing the AMOUNT of GREAT and LITTLE BASSES and MINICOY LIGHT DUES
leviable at PORTS in INDIA at the Treasury Rate of Exchange of One Shilling and
One Penny Halfpenny per Rupee, less the Abatement of Twenty-five per Cent.

Great and Little Basses, $\frac{3}{4}d.$ per Ton, Less 25 per Cent.				Minicoy, $\frac{1}{4}d.$ per Ton, Less 25 per Cent.				Great and Little Basses and Minicoy, $\frac{3}{4}d.$ per Ton, Less 25 per Cent.			
Tons Net.	Rs.	A.	P.	Tons Net.	Rs.	A.	P.	Tons Net.	Rs.	A.	P.
1			4	1			1	1			5
2			8	2			3	2			11
3		1	0	3			4	3		1	4
4		1	4	4			5	4		1	9
5		1	8	5			7	5		2	3
6		2	0	6			8	6		2	8
7		2	4	7			9	7		3	1
8		2	8	8			11	8		3	7
9		3	0	9		1	0	9		4	0
10		3	4	10		1	1	10		4	5
20		6	8	20		2	3	20		8	11
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40		13	4	40		4	5	40	1	1	9
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700	14	9	4	700	4	13	9	700	19	7	1
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900	18	12	0	900	6	4	0	900	25	0	0
1,000	20	13	4	1,000	6	15	1	1,000	27	12	5
2,000	41	10	8	2,000	13	14	3	2,000	55	8	11
3,000	62	8	0	3,000	20	13	4	3,000	83	5	4
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Board of Trade, London,
1st April 1896.