

Marine (1897) Department.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Proc. of the H. T. Board's meeting: Letter
from the Chairman submitting a
Copy of the minutes of the — held on 12th
March 1897. *Recorded.*

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The Chairman,
Harbour Trust Board,
Madras.

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SUBJECT.

Submitting copy of
proceedings of the
Harbour Trust Board's
meeting held on 12th
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NOTIFICATION.

Fort St. George, March 30, 1897.

No. 85.—The following Minutes of the Proceedings of a Meeting of the Trustees of the Madras Harbour, held at the Board's Office on Friday the 12th March 1897, are published :—

Present :

Mr. Ware Austin, I.C.S., *Chairman.*
Mr. C. B. Simpson.
Mr. H. Scott.
Mr. F. J. Wilson.
Mr. J. F. Davies.

Mr. Cowasjee Eduljee Panday.
Mr. Mirza Mehdy Ispahani.
M.R.Ry. C. Kaliyanasundaram Chetty, Rai Bahadur.

Read and approved the Minutes of the Proceedings at the last meeting held on Friday, 26th February 1897.

Ordered to be recorded.

2. Read and discussed correspondence regarding the provision of a time ball for the port in lieu of the present semaphore.

Read minute by a Trustee.

Resolved that in the opinion of the Trustees a Saxby and Farmer's time ball should be provided. The Chairman is requested to address Government.

3. Read letter, dated 27th February 1897, from the Secretary, Chamber of Commerce, forwarding, for information, copy of a letter addressed by the Chamber to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 26th idem, regarding the custody of goods landed at Madras.

Recorded.

4. Read letter from the Board's Engineer, No. 835, dated 8th March 1897, submitting an application from Mr. Gunther, Mechanical Foreman, for a bonus and free passage to England.

Read minutes by Trustees.

Resolved that a second-class passage to England, by the North German Lloyds line, be provided for Mr. Gunther.

5. Read letter from the Board's Engineer, No. 841, dated — March 1897, submitting details for the skeleton schedule of staff for his department as sanctioned in resolution No. 1, dated 19th February.

Read minute by a Trustee.

Resolved that the detailed schedule submitted by the Engineer is approved.

6. Read letter from Messrs. Best & Co., dated 3rd March 1897, acknowledging the receipt of the Committee's report regarding the alleged shortage of coal ex. S.S. *Grafloe*, and intimating that they are referring the matter to their Solicitors.

Recorded.

7. Read letter No. 5238, dated 3rd March 1897, from the Board's Secretary to Messrs. Best & Co. requesting information regarding coal expected for the South Indian Railway, with a view to sidings being provided if necessary.

Resolved that the Chairman is requested to deal with the matter.

8. Read letter No. 215, dated 6th February 1897, from the Deputy Port Conservator, regarding the detention of Harbour Masters on board steamers.

Read minutes by Trustees.

Resolved that the Agents be addressed.

9. Read memorandum from the Board's Secretary to the Chairman, dated 25th February 1897, suggesting, in reference to the letters from the Board's Engineer and Traffic Manager, that coal recovered from the bottom of the harbour might be divided *pro rata* amongst all importers, as from 1st January 1894 on payment of cost of recovery, harbour dues and charges.

Chairman's note thereon.

Read letter from the Board's Engineer, No. 838, dated 8th March, reporting cost of dredging alongside the North Arm, and letter No. 450, dated 11th idem, from the Deputy Port Conservator, requesting that the coal recovered alongside the North Arm may be made over to him as Receiver of Wreck.

Read also correspondence with Messrs. Best & Co. and Binny & Co., regarding the petty pilfering of coal.

Read minutes by Trustees.

Resolved that the Chairman is requested to address Government.

Whatever extra peons are, in the opinion of the Chairman, necessary to prevent the petty pilfering of coal are sanctioned.

An estimate will be obtained for effectively fencing in that portion of the Board's premises at present used for the landing, handling and shipment of cargo.

10. Comparative statement of receipts from Harbour Dues from 1st April 1895 to 29th February 1896, and during the same period 1896-97 showing a net increase of Rs. 65,418, was placed upon the Board's table and ordered to be recorded.

Detailed statements of receipts and charges for the month of February 1897 and from 1st April 1896 to 28th February 1897 were ordered to be recorded as follows:—

Statement of Receipts and Charges for the month of February 1897.

	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
Opening balance—									
Government securities (par value Rs. 4,13,900)									
at 104 per cent							4,30,456	0	0
Do. purchased (par value Rs. 2,50,000)							2,57,311	8	0
1. Cash in the Bank of Madras	17,740	6	6						
2. General cash in office	229	15	3						
3. Advance for contingencies	500	0	0						
				18,470	4	9			
Receipts.									
I. Contributions from Port Funds									
II. Beach imports: dues under section 45 (a), I (i), (ii), (iii).	20,543	7	1						
Pier do. do. do.	6,971	3	4						
Beach exports: do. do. do.	1,715	11	9						
Pier do. do. do.	2,754	5	3						
Wharfage: do. II	515	0	0						
Craneage: do. III	3,402	14	6						
Storage: do. IV	125	8	7						
Demurrage: do. V	83	8	5						
Dues for entry of vehicles under section 45 (c), VI	1,143	6	5						
Provisions: dues on, under section 45 (a), I (i)	57	13	0						
Rent of properties	49	9	9						
Water: charge for, delivered at pier head	504	0	0						
Penalties under section 84									
Sundries									
				37,866	8	0			
III. Portage under section 45 (a), I (iv)—									
Beach	8,683	11	9						
Pier	3,816	10	11						
Miscellaneous									
				12,500	6	8			
IV. Interest on Government of India 3½ per cent. promissory notes				2,881	11	1			
Cost of Government securities purchased.									
Proceeds of Government securities sold									
Total				71,718	14	6	6,87,767	8	0
Charges.									
I. Interest (under section 30)									
II. Repayment of loan for construction of harbour under section 31									
III. Refunds				515	8	10			
IV. Engine haulage									
V. Fees to Trustees				750	0	0			
VI. Chairman's allowance				400	0	0			
				1,665	8	10			
VII. Establishment—									
1. Secretary's salary	800	0	0						
2. Correspondence Department	307	1	1						
3. Accounts Department	550	0	0						
4. Cash Department	434	8	0						
5. Traffic Department (Shore staff)	1,978	12	11						
6. Preventive service	735	7	9						
7. Do. boatmen	111	6	8						
8. Tidal Observatory	35	0	0						
9. Exchange compensation allowance	394	10	10						
10. Contribution to Government for pensions	10	0	0						
11. Contribution to Provident Fund									
12. Engineer's Department	2,740	8	0						
				6,097	7	8			
VIII. Contingencies—									
(a) Subject to regular audit—									
Postage	6	1	6						
Receipt stamps	20	13	0						
Telegrams	11	15	0						
Furniture									
Fees for audit									
Law charges									
Stationery and Printing	57	3	3						
Advertisement charges	85	0	0						
Uniform for Preventive service, &c.									
				181	0	9			
(b) Admissible without detailed audit—									
Overtime fees to establishment	360	3	8						
Do. to Preventive service and boatmen	246	0	1						
Miscellaneous	219	3	7						
				1,525	7	4			
Carried over				11,469	8	2			

	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
Brought forward							11,469	8	2
IX. Petty construction and repairs—									
New works	1,765	10	0						
Repairs	1,930	11	0						
Tools and plant				3,696	5	0			
X. Portage—									
1. Establishment	878	3	7						
2. Coolies, Beach	5,593	9	4						
3. Do. Pier	1,747	0	4						
4. Do. Custom-house	1,261	13	10						
5. Coasting cargo	132	0	2						
6. Cart-hire	62	6	3						
7. Steam crane charges	244	5	1						
8. Refunds	1,244	7	7						
9. Claims for losses and damage of cargo	244	5	9						
10. Contribution to Government for pensions									
11. Contribution to Provident Fund									
12. Provident Fund deductions from coolies' wages	97	2	6						
13. Do. contributions by the Trust	97	2	6						
				11,602	8	11			
(a) Contingencies subject to regular audit—									
Postage									
Receipt stamps									
Furniture									
Tarpaulins									
Law charges									
Stationery and Printing	128	6	0						
Lighting pier and yards	7	8	0						
				135	14	0			
(b) Contingencies admissible without detailed audit—									
Overtime fees to establishment	211	4	6						
Miscellaneous	180	6	0						
				391	10	6			
XI. Advances to Construction account									
Government securities purchased									
Government securities sold									
Total Expenditure				27,295	14	7			
Closing balance on the 28th February 1897—									
Government securities (par value Rs. 4,13,900)							4,30,456	0	0
Do. purchased (par value Rs. 2,50,000)							2,57,311	8	0
Cash in the Bank of Madras	42,822	5	6						
General cash in office	1,100	10	5						
Advance for contingencies	500	0	0						
				44,422	15	11			
Total				71,718	14	6	6,87,767	8	0

N.B.—These balances exclude Rs. 500 with the Traffic Manager for meeting daily Portage charges and Rs. 15 with the Cashier for meeting charges on account of Postage and of Receipt stamps.

Statement of Receipts and Charges from 1st April 1896 to 28th February 1897.

	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
Opening balance—									
Government securities (par value Rs. 4,13,900)							4,30,456	0	0 @ 104 %
1. Cash in the Bank of Madras	3,48,523	0	6						
2. General cash in office	1,025	1	2						
3. Advance for contingencies	500	0	0						
				3,50,048	1	8			
Receipts.									
I. Contributions from Port funds							44,288	5	0
II. Beach imports: dues under section 45 (a), I (i), (ii), (iii).	1,83,939	6	9						
Pier do. do. do.	78,838	5	10						
Beach exports: do. do. do.	25,486	6	10						
Pier do. do. do.	45,848	9	6						
Wharfage: do. II	5,735	0	0						
Craneage: do. III	52,469	0	0						
Storage: do. IV	724	15	7						
Demurrage: do. V	282	12	0						
Dues for entry of vehicles under section 45 (c), VI	11,320	10	9						
Provisions: dues on, under section 45 (a), I (i)	619	7	0						
Rent of properties	765	5	5						
Water: charge for, delivered at pier head	4,990	4	0						
Penalties under section 84	23	0	0						
Sundries	151	1	9						
				4,11,192	5	5			
III. Portage under section 45 (a), I (iv)—									
Beach	66,621	2	11						
Pier	39,822	15	11						
Miscellaneous	3	1	0						
				1,06,447	3	10			
IV. Interest on Government of India 3½ per cent. promissory notes				14,886	1	2			
Cost of Government securities purchased.							2,57,311	8	0
Proceeds of Government securities sold									
Total				9,26,862	1	1	6,87,767	8	0

Charges.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
I. Interest (under section 30)	..	..	..	2,11,472	6	4			
II. Repayment of loan for construction of harbour under section 81	..	..	..	1,00,000	0	0			
III. Refunds	1,975	12	7						
IV. Engine haulage	6,750	0	0						
V. Fees to Trustees	4,400	0	0						
VI. Chairman's allowance				18,125	12	7			
VII. Establishment—									
1. Secretary's salary	12,077	15	4						
2. Correspondence Department	3,419	4	11						
3. Accounts Department	6,050	0	0						
4. Cash Department	4,713	11	1						
5. Traffic Department (Shore staff) ..	21,243	7	2						
6. Preventive service	8,184	3	1						
7. Do. boatmen	1,116	13	11						
8. Tidal Observatory	390	0	0						
9. Exchange compensation allowance ..	2,469	5	2						
10. Contribution to Government for pensions	685	12	1						
11. Contribution to Provident Fund ..	7	0	0						
12. Engineers Department	2,740	8	0						
				61,089	0	9			
VIII. Contingencies—									
(a) Subject to regular audit—									
Postage	45	5	4						
Receipt stamps	208	5	0						
Telegrams	18	5	0						
Furniture	141	7	0						
Fees for audit	4,000	0	0						
Law charges	..	..	..						
Stationery and Printing	3,322	2	9						
Advertisement charges	85	0	0						
Uniform for Preventive service, &c. ..	1,349	8	0						
				9,170	1	1			
(b) Admissible without detailed audit—									
Overtime fees to establishment ..	3,747	14	9						
Do. to Preventive service and boatmen ..	2,654	10	2						
Miscellaneous	7,009	12	8						
				13,412	5	7			
IX. Petty construction and repairs—									
New works	1,872	12	3						
Repairs	7,606	4	10						
Tools and plant	220	0	0						
				9,699	1	1			
X. Porters—									
1. Establishment	8,571	1	6						
2. Coolies, Beach	44,533	3	1						
3. Do. Pier	19,368	5	9						
4. Do. Custom-house	12,221	3	6						
5. Coasting cargo	1,380	12	0						
6. Cart-hire	686	13	0						
7. Steam crane charges	1,763	3	9						
8. Refunds	5,791	6	3						
9. Claims for losses and damage of cargo	1,429	11	11						
10. Contribution to Government for pensions	17	1	6						
11. Contribution to Provident Fund ..	21	11	9						
12. Provident Fund deductions from coolies' wages ..	1,139	10	11						
13. Do. contributions by the Trust ..	1,139	10	11						
				98,013	15	10			
(a) Contingencies subject to regular audit—									
Postage	..	..	..						
Receipt stamps	..	..	..						
Furniture	13	13	0						
Tarpaulins	1,473	12	8						
Law charges	..	..	..						
Stationery and Printing	587	5	9						
Lighting pier and yards	1,208	4	7						
				3,388	4	0			
(b) Contingencies admissible without detailed audit—									
Overtime fees to establishment ..	1,929	6	5						
Miscellaneous	2,853	7	1						
				4,782	13	6			
XI. Advances to Construction account ..				1,00,978	12	5			
Government securities purchased (Rs. 2,50,000)				2,57,311	8	0			
Government securities sold									
Total Expenditure				8,82,439	1	2			

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Brought forward	..	..	..	8,82,439	1	2			
Closing balance on the 28th February 1907—									
Government securities (par value Rupees 4,13,900)				4,30,456	0	0	@ 104%		
Do. purchased (par value Rupees 2,50,000)				2,57,311	8	0			
Cash in the Bank of Madras	42,822	5	6						
General cash in office	1,100	10	5						
Advance for contingencies	500	0	0						
				44,422	15	11			
Total				9,26,862	1	1	6,87,767	8	0

N.B.—These balances exclude Rs. 500 with the Traffic Manager for meeting daily Porters charges and Rs. 15 with the Cashier for meeting charges on account of Postage and of Receipt stamps.

11. Read letter from the Board's Traffic Manager, No. 5988 P., dated 9th March 1907, replying to extract of the Committee's report regarding the alleged shortage of coal ex *Graffoe*.
Read minute by a Trustee.
Resolved that a trial be given to the ticket system.

12. Madras Bank pass-books were laid upon the Board's table showing to credit the following amounts:—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Revenue Account	9,947	0	0
Construction Account	1,982	11	11
Deposit Account	903	9	4
Biden Home Account	1,495	7	0
Petty Cash Account	389	0	2
Provident Fund Account	3,627	6	5
Cooly Provident Fund Account	320	0	1

The Secretary reported that since last meeting Rs. 30,000 3½ per cent. Government paper had been purchased at 100-6.

13. The following Government Orders were laid upon the Board's table and were ordered to be recorded:—

No. 133, Marine, dated 16th February 1897.
No. 137, Marine, dated 18th February 1897.
No. 151, Marine, dated 23rd February 1897.
No. 162, Marine, dated 26th February 1897.
No. 191, Marine, dated 3rd March 1897.
No. 223, Marine, dated 11th March 1897.

D. McN. CAMPBELL, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

Harbour Trust Office,

MADRAS, 7th April 1897.

No. 193

FROM

Wm Austin Esq D. L. S.

CHAIRMAN, HARBOUR TRUST BOARD,

MADRAS.

TO

The Honble Col. D. McNeil Campbell R. E.

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Marine Department.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit herewith for the information of Government, a printed copy of the minutes of the proceedings of the Harbour Trust Board's meeting held on 12th March 1897.

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your obedient servant

Wm Austin

Chairman

Harbour Trust Board

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