

Marine (1897) Department.

G.O., No. 8861a

DATED 29 Oct 1897

[Despatch Abstract.]

Pro. of the Harbour Trust Board's meeting. Letter
from the Chairman submitting a copy of
the minutes of the — held on 1st October
1897, recorded.

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G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.	G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.
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Submitting a printed copy
of the minutes of the proceedings
of the Art Trust Bankers
Meeting held on 1st Oct '94

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NOTIFICATION.

Fort St. George, October 19, 1897.

No. 179.—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 1st October 1897, are published:—

Present:

Mr. J. Thomson, I.C.S., *Chairman*.
Mr. H. Scott.
Mr. C. B. Simpson.
Mr. A. J. Yorke.

Mr. F. J. Wilson.
Mr. Cowasjee Eduljee Panday.
Mr. Mirza Mehdy Ispahani.
M.R.Ry. M. Abboyi Naidu.

Read letter, dated 28th September 1897, from Commander H. A. Street, R.I.M., intimating his inability to attend the meeting.

Recorded.

2. Read and approved the minutes of the proceedings at the last meeting held on Friday, 17th September 1897.

Ordered to be recorded.

3. The statements of Receipts and Charges, Revenue Account, for the month of August 1897 and from 1st April to 31st August 1897, were placed before the Board and ordered to be recorded as follows:—

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

		RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
Opening balance—										
Government securities (par value Rs. 4,93,900) at 101 per cent.										
Do. purchased (par value Rs. 1,00,000)								4,98,839	0	0
1. Cash in the Bank of Madras		31,149	5	1				1,03,187	8	0
2. General cash in office		565	9	2						
3. Advance for contingencies		500	0	0						
4. Do. Engineer's Department		500	0	0						
								32,714	14	3
Receipts.										
I. Contributions from Port Funds										
II. Beach imports: dues under section 45 (a), I (i), (ii), (iii).		30,005	13	6						
Pier do. do. do.		8,977	3	11						
Beach exports: do. do. do.		2,255	4	10						
Pier do. do. do.		3,591	1	6						
Wharfage: do. II		625	0	0						
Craneage: do. III		4,369	13	4						
Storage: do. IV		26	9	2						
Demurrage: do. V		7	14	8						
Dues for entry of vehicles under section 45 (c), VI		1,795	7	4						
Provisions: dues on, under section 45 (a), I (i)		62	8	0						
Rent of properties		55	3	0						
Water: charge for, delivered at pier head		474	12	0						
Penalties under section 84										
Sundries								52,166	10	9
III. Portage under section 45 (a), I (iv)—										
Beach		12,553	8	7						
Pier		4,174	5	1						
Miscellaneous								16,827	13	8
Carried over								1,01,699	6	8
								6,02,020	8	0

Brought forward ..	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
IV. Interest on Government of India 3½ per cent. promissory notes ..	..	1,01,699 6 8	6,02,026 8 0
Cost of Government Securities purchased. Proceeds of Government Securities sold. ..	..	1,770 3 5	49,749 0 0
Total ..	..	1,03,469 10 1	6,51,775 8 0
Charges.			
I. Interest (under section 30) ..	..	..	..
II. Repayment of loan for construction of harbour under section 31 ..	..	..	..
III. Refunds ..	..	148 2 4	..
IV. Engine haulage ..	..	..	..
V. Fees to Trustees ..	..	720 0 0	..
VI. Chairman's allowance ..	..	451 9 10	..
VII. Establishment—		1,319 12 2	
1. Secretary's salary ..	..	1,000 0 0	..
2. Correspondence Department ..	..	334 12 6	..
3. Accounts Department ..	..	597 8 0	..
4. Cash Department ..	..	469 8 6	..
5. Traffic Department (Shore staff) ..	..	1,877 2 3	..
6. Preventive service ..	..	680 0 0	..
7. Do. boatmen ..	..	112 15 3	..
8. Tidal Observatory ..	..	40 0 0	..
9. Exchange compensation allowance ..	..	237 3 8	..
10. Contribution to Government for pensions. ..	..	10 0 0	..
11. Contribution to Provident Fund ..	..	3 13 7	..
12. Engineer's Department ..	..	1,448 8 1	..
VIII. Contingencies—		6,811 7 10	
(a) Subject to regular audit—			
Postage ..	..	6 10 0	..
Receipt stamps ..	..	20 13 0	..
Telegrams ..	..	..	..
Furniture ..	..	27 12 0	..
Fees for audit ..	..	..	..
Law charges ..	..	..	..
Stationery and Printing ..	..	51 5 6	..
Advertisement charges ..	..	89 2 0	..
Uniform for Preventive service, &c. ..	..	689 12 0	..
(b) Admissible without detailed audit—		885 6 6	
Overtime fees to establishment ..	..	323 7 7	..
Do. to Preventive service and boatmen ..	..	176 11 6	..
Miscellaneous ..	..	252 4 8	..
IX. Petty construction and repairs—		752 7 9	
New works ..	..	197 11 6	..
Repairs ..	..	2,314 8 3	..
Tools and plant ..	..	..	..
X. Portage—		2,512 8 9	
1. Establishment ..	..	1,003 4 4	..
2. Coolies, Beach ..	..	4,646 2 8	..
3. Do. Pier ..	..	2,097 5 0	..
4. Do. Custom-house ..	..	1,271 7 8	..
5. Coasting cargo ..	..	188 12 1	..
6. Cart-hire ..	..	66 7 6	..
7. Steam crane charges ..	..	153 10 1	..
8. Refunds ..	..	227 0 0	..
9. Claims for losses and damage of cargo ..	..	172 1 3	..
10. Contribution to Government for pensions ..	..	..	..
11. Contribution to Provident Fund ..	..	..	..
12. Provident Fund deductions from coolies' wages ..	..	126 0 9	..
13. Do. contributions by the Trust ..	..	126 0 9	..
(a) Contingencies subject to regular audit—		10,078 4 1	
Postage ..	..	..	..
Receipt stamps ..	..	..	..
Furniture ..	..	..	..
Tarpaulins ..	..	11 0 0	..
Law charges ..	..	..	..
Stationery and Printing ..	..	..	..
Lighting pier and yards ..	..	18 14 0	..
(b) Contingencies admissible without detailed audit—		29 14 0	
Overtime fees to establishment ..	..	195 2 11	..
Miscellaneous ..	..	58 0 0	..
Carried over ..	..	22,642 11 0	..

Brought forward ..	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
XI. Capital account—	..	22,642 11 0	..
Major works—			
(a) Harbour Improvements ..	..	..	..
(b) Moorings ..	..	..	..
(c) Other new works ..	..	..	..
(d) Other debit transactions—			
(i) Acquisition of land ..	..	..	..
(ii) Protective works ..	..	..	..
(e) Tools and plant ..	..	..	..
(f) Contingencies ..	..	..	..
Government securities purchased (Rs. 50,000). ..	..	49,749 0 0	..
Government securities sold ..	..	..	..
Total Expenditure ..	..	72,391 11 0	..
Closing balance on the 31st August 1897—			
Government securities (par value Rs. 4,93,900) at 101 per cent. ..	..	..	4,98,839 0 0
Do. purchased (par value Rs. 1,50,000). ..	..	..	1,52,936 8 0
Cash in the Bank of Madras ..	29,847 2 3	..	..
General cash in office ..	230 12 10	..	..
Advance for contingencies ..	500 0 0	..	..
Do. Engineer's Department ..	500 0 0	..	..
Total ..	..	31,077 15 1	..
	..	1,03,469 10 1	6,51,775 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 to 31st August 1897.

Opening balance—	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Government securities (par value Rs. 4,93,900) at 101 per cent. ..	..	..	4,98,839 0 0
1. Cash in the Bank of Madras ..	3,35,794 2 0	..	..
2. General cash in office ..	247 11 5½	..	..
3. Advance for contingencies ..	500 0 0	..	..
4. Do. Engineer's Department ..	..	..	..
	..	3,36,541 13 5	..
Receipts.			
I. Contributions from Port funds ..	..	33,042 13 8	..
II. Beach imports: dues under section 45 (a), I (i), (ii), (iii). ..	..	90,047 11 11	..
Pier do. do. ..	..	41,077 12 6	..
Beach exports: do. do. ..	..	11,566 14 3	..
Pier do. do. ..	..	16,846 13 0	..
Wharfage: do. II ..	..	3,300 0 0	..
Oranage: do. III ..	..	23,463 13 9	..
Storage: do. IV ..	..	387 1 8	..
Demurrage: do. V ..	..	138 12 1	..
Dues for entry of vehicles under section 45 (c), VI ..	..	5,846 15 6	..
Provisions: dues on, under section 45 (a), I (i) ..	..	273 12 0	..
Rent of properties ..	..	279 0 2	..
Water: charge for, delivered at pier head. ..	..	2,868 0 0	..
Penalties under section 84 ..	..	15 8 0	..
Sundries ..	..	209 11 2	..
	..	1,96,411 14 0	..
III. Portage under section 45 (a), I (iv)—			
Beach ..	..	36,946 10 6	..
Pier ..	..	20,014 10 6	..
Miscellaneous ..	..	..	..
	..	56,961 5 0	..
IV. Interest on Government of India 3½ per cent. promissory notes ..	..	8,651 2 4	..
Amount transferred from Construction account to Revenue being part payment of amount advanced for construction during the year 1896-97. ..	..	10,000 0 0	..
Cost of Government securities purchased. Proceeds of Government securities sold ..	..	..	1,52,936 8
Total ..	..	6,41,609 0 5	6,51,775 8 0

Charges.

	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
I. Interest (under section 80)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
II. Repayment of loan for construction of harbour under section 31	..	..	..	2,24,065	2	11	..	..	..
III. Refunds	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
IV. Engine haulage	..	..	..	1,302	3	4	1,00,000	0	0
V. Fees to Trustees	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
VI. Chairman's allowance	..	..	..	2,550	0	0	..	..	..
VII. Establishment—	..	..	..	2,051	9	10	..	..	..
1. Secretary's salary	..	..	..	..	..	..	5,903	13	2
2. Correspondence Department	..	..	..	4,809	0	0	..	..	..
3. Accounts Department	..	..	..	1,654	11	0	..	..	..
4. Cash Department	..	..	..	3,027	8	0	..	..	..
5. Traffic Department (Shore staff)	..	..	..	2,328	8	6	..	..	..
6. Preventive service	..	..	..	9,796	10	5	..	..	..
7. Do. boatmen	..	..	..	3,400	0	0	..	..	..
8. Tidal Observatory	..	..	..	557	5	2	..	..	..
9. Exchange compensation allowance.	..	..	..	195	0	0	..	..	..
10. Contribution to Government for pensions	..	..	..	1,508	14	11	..	..	..
11. Contribution to Provident Fund	..	..	..	384	2	10	..	..	..
12. Engineer's Department	..	..	..	145	4	0	..	..	..
VIII. Contingencies—	..	..	..	11,355	6	4	..	..	..
(a) Subject to regular audit—	..	..	..	..	..	..	39,213	7	2
Postage	..	..	..	85	13	8	..	..	..
Receipt stamps	..	..	..	98	6	0	..	..	..
Telegrams	..	..	..	7	2	0	..	..	..
Furniture	..	..	..	138	4	0	..	..	..
Fees for audit	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Law charges	..	..	..	130	0	0	..	..	..
Stationery and Printing	..	..	..	2,577	7	0	..	..	..
Advertisement charges	..	..	..	233	2	6	..	..	..
Uniform for Preventive service, &c.	..	..	..	1,587	4	0	..	..	..
(b) Admissible without detailed audit—	..	..	..	..	..	..	4,807	6	8
Overtime fees to establishment	..	..	..	1,882	6	2	..	..	..
Do. to Preventive service and boatmen.	..	..	..	1,127	10	2	..	..	..
Miscellaneous	..	..	..	10,780	7	1	..	..	..
IX. Petty construction and repairs—	..	..	..	..	..	..	13,790	7	6
New works	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Repairs	..	..	..	5,388	2	5	..	..	..
Tools and plant	..	..	..	11,229	9	7	..	..	..
X. Porters—	..	..	..	..	..	..	16,617	12	0
1. Establishment	..	..	..	4,955	6	1	..	..	..
2. Coolies, Beach	..	..	..	22,460	7	0	..	..	..
3. Do. Pier	..	..	..	8,950	5	5	..	..	..
4. Do. Custom-house	..	..	..	6,317	13	7	..	..	..
5. Coasting cargo	..	..	..	831	0	10	..	..	..
6. Cart-hire	..	..	..	321	14	6	..	..	..
7. Steam crane charges	..	..	..	742	3	4	..	..	..
8. Refunds	..	..	..	2,257	14	4	..	..	..
9. Claims for losses and damage of cargo	..	..	..	844	5	2	..	..	..
10. Contribution to Government for pensions	..	..	..	11	6	4	..	..	..
11. Contribution to Provident Fund	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
12. Provident Fund deductions from coolies' wages.	..	..	..	592	8	2	..	..	..
13. Do. contributions by the Trust	..	..	..	592	8	2	..	..	..
(a) Contingencies subject to regular audit—	..	..	..	..	..	..	48,877	12	11
Postage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Receipt stamps	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Furniture	..	..	..	13	13	0	..	..	..
Tarpaulins	..	..	..	1,474	14	8	..	..	..
Law charges	..	..	..	17	8	0	..	..	..
Stationery and Printing	..	..	..	67	14	3	..	..	..
Lighting pier and yards	..	..	..	1,121	10	9	..	..	..
(b) Contingencies admissible without detailed audit—	..	..	..	..	..	..	2,695	12	8
Overtime fees to establishment.	..	..	..	1,135	1	10	..	..	..
Miscellaneous	..	..	..	487	12	7	..	..	..
XI. Capital account—	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,622	14	5
Major works—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
(a) Harbour Improvements	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
(b) Moorings	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
(c) Other new works	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
(d) Other debit transactions	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
(i) Acquisition of land	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
(ii) Protective works	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
(e) Tools and plant	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
(f) Contingencies	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Government securities purchased (Rs. 1,50,000)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Government securities sold	..	..	..	1,52,936	8	0	..	..	..
Total Expenditure	..	..	..	6,10,531	1	4	..	..	..

Closing balance on the 31st August 1897—

	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
Government securities (par value Rs. 4,93,900) at 101 per cent.	..	..	..	..	..	..	4,98,839	0	0
Do. purchased (par value Rs. 1,50,000)	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,52,936	8	0
Cash in the Bank of Madras	..	..	..	29,547	2	3	..	..	..
General cash in office	..	..	..	230	12	10	..	..	..
Advance for contingencies	..	..	..	500	0	0	..	..	..
Do. Engineer's Department	..	..	..	500	0	0	..	..	..
Total	..	..	..	31,077	15	1	..	..	..
	..	..	..	6,41,609	0	5	6,51,775	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.

4. Read Mr. Wilson's report, dated 17th September 1897, with reference to the Board's resolution, No. 3 of 3rd idem, and letter from the Engineer, No. 491, dated 15th September, replying to the enquiries directed therein, also minutes by Trustees.

Resolved that the Chairman and Mr. Wilson meet the Examiner of Public Works Accounts and report to the Board regarding the items of construction accounts hitherto in dispute and the steps that should be taken for their final settlement. Meantime the Board resolves that a separate Capital Account be at once opened, and the Chairman is requested to settle, in consultation with Mr. Wilson and the Examiner, what items should have place in it.

5. Read correspondence with the Board's Solicitors regarding Messrs. Best & Co.'s claim for alleged shortage of coal ex. S. S. "Graffoe."

Read minutes by Trustees.

Resolved that the letter from Messrs. Best & Co., dated 7th September be referred to the Board's Solicitors; the Chairman is requested to confer with them on the other points in question.

6. Read G.O., No. 4314 Mis., dated 3rd September 1897, that certain lands in Tondiarpet may be handed over to the Municipality for the purpose of extending the Black Town Sewage Farm, at a rent of Rs. 10 per cawne, provided that no claim shall be made, either on Government or on the Harbour Trust Board, for damage, should the land hereafter be eroded by the sea.

Recorded.

7. Read letter from the Deputy Port Conservator, No. 15 H., dated 10th September, regarding the landing and shipping of gunpowder inside the Harbour.

Read minutes by Trustees.

Resolved that the Deputy Conservator be requested to inform the Board in what respect he considers the present rules and arrangements to be dangerous, or to require revision.

8. Read draft letter to the Secretary to Government, Marine Department, submitting report for the quarter ending 30th June 1897.

Approved.

9. Read letter from the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway Company, No. 9747/10391, dated 30th September, regarding the cost of erection of a semaphore signal, to control the railway traffic across the north Beach road, near Clive's Battery.

Resolved that the Board will meet the cost of erecting and working the semaphore.

10. Read letter from the Board's Engineer, No. 543, dated 1st October, submitting an indent, in triplicate, with specification and drawings, for machinery required from England for the conversion of the "Wenlock" from a bucket to a pump dredger.

Resolved that the indent be forwarded to the Deputy Director, Royal Indian Marine, Calcutta, and that he be requested to draw up an estimate showing the full cost of the conversion.

11. The Administration Report of the Public Works Department, Railway Branch, Madras Presidency, for the year 1896-97, was laid upon the table and ordered to be recorded.

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

	RS.	A.	P.
Revenue Account	..	..	..
Construction Account	..	..	..
Deposit Account	..	..	..
Biden Home Account	..	..	..
Petty Cash Account	..	..	..
Provident Fund Account	..	..	..
Cooly Provident Fund Account	..	..	..
	37,827	10	2
	30,733	15	5
	903	9	4
	1,446	6	3
	500	2	0
	333	8	2
	100	14	9

W. B. DEWINTON,
Ag. Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

Harbour Trust Office,

MADRAS, 22nd October 1897.

No. 3298

FROM

J. Thomson Esq I.C.S.,

CHAIRMAN, HARBOUR TRUST BOARD,

MADRAS.

To

W.B.DeWinton Esq,

Ag: 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 1st October 1897.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

Thomson

Chairman,

Harbour Trust Board.

[Signature]

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