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[Despatch Abstract.]

*Proceedings of the N. T. Board's Meeting: Letter
from the Chairman Submitting a copy of the
minutes of the — held on 15 April 1898, re: —*

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Submitting a printed copy of
the minutes of the proceedings
of the Harbour Trust Board
Meeting held on 15/4/98.

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NOTIFICATION.

Ootacamund, May 3, 1898.

No. 47.—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 15th April 1898, are published :—

Present :

Mr. J. N. Atkinson, I.C.S., *Chairman.*

, R. J. Black.

„ C. B. Simpson.

., A. J. Yorke.

„ R Harper.

Commander H. A. Street, R.I.M.

Mr. Cowasjee Eduljee Panday.

„ Mirza Mehdy Ispahani.

M.R.Ry. T. Namberumal Chetty.

Read and approved the minutes of the proceedings at the last meeting held on Friday, 1st April 1898.

Ordered to be recorded.

2 Read letter No. 406 A/A, dated 30th March 1898, from the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, pointing out that to save delay in the execution of works, the Board's Engineer might be vested with powers to sanction new works, repairs and tools and plant, up to certain limits to be fixed by the Board, and forwarding a memo. showing the powers of a Superintending Engineer, as also those of an Executive Engineer as laid down in the Public Works Department Code.

Read minutes by Trustees.

Resolved that the recommendations of the Local Consulting Engineer are accepted, and that the Engineer will be directed to prepare estimates accordingly.

3. The report of the Local Consulting Engineer for the three months ending 28th February 1898, having been printed and circulated to each Trustee, was laid upon the Board's table, and discussed.

It was resolved with reference to the protective revetment north of the Harbour, and the proposed additions and repairs thereto, that the Boar's Engineer will be directed to submit the estimate for the work, in the Public Works Department form required, without further delay.

4. Read letter No. 809, dated 29th March 1898, from the Deputy Director of the Royal Indian Marine, Calcutta, replying to a reference from the Board's Secretary, regarding the cost of establishment for the dredger "Wenlock"; the Deputy Director agrees with the Trustees that it is not necessary to retain the services of an Engineer while the vessel is awaiting conversion, and that he had therefore given Mr. Achard notice that his services would not be required after the 15th April.

Read minutes by Trustees.

Recorded and resolved that the late Engineer of the Dredger, Mr. Achard, will be granted a certificate that his services have been dispensed with for no fault, but merely on reduction of establishment.

5. Read memo showing excesses and savings in the budget estimate for 1897-98.

Resolved that the proposed transfers of savings (column 3) to excesses (column 4) are sanctioned.

6. Two tenders for the supply of sun²ry articles, received in response to advertisements, inserted in the Local papers, were laid upon the Board's table.

Resolved that each tender be accepted, in regard to those articles in which the rates tendered are the cheaper.

7. Read letter, dated 15th April, received from Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co., at 1 P.M., which, in the interval before the meeting, had been circulated to the Trustees, in which that firm suggests with reference to the erection of its storage tanks for bulk petroleum, upon the site immediately to the south of Shand's press, that the Trustees "should accept an undertaking to relieve the Board of all responsibility for damage caused by the sea, to the said property at Royapuram, pending receipt of final orders from Government on the subject."

Resolved that the Board regrets that it cannot grant the facilities required by Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co. for landing kerosine-oil in bulk at the north arm of the Harbour, if the storage tanks in question are erected at a place where under certain circumstances the Trust might be held responsible for loss or damage thereto, and must adhere to the terms communicated in the Secretary's letter No. 4980, dated 21st February 1898, viz., an unconditional bond of indemnity. Should Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co. fix upon another site unattended with any danger from the sea, involving possible responsibility on the part of the Trust, and free from any other objection, the Board will immediately give them all facilities required for landing the oil at the north arm of the Harbour.

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

						RS.	A.	P.
Revenue Account	..	..	..	..	..	32,136	12	6
Deposit Account	..	..	..	..	..	1,353	9	4
Biden Home Account	..	..	..	..	..	1,140	1	11
Petty Cash Account	..	..	..	..	..	456	8	9
Provident Fund Account	..	..	..	..	..	7,137	2	9
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W. B. DEWINTON,

Ag Secretary to Government.

No. 593

FROM

J.N. Atkinson Esq. I.C.S.,

CHAIRMAN, HARBOUR TRUST BOARD,
MADRAS.

TO

W.B. DeWinton Esq.,

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
Marine Department.

Sir,

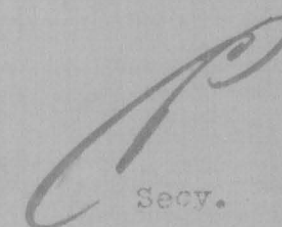
I have the honour to submit herewith for the information of Government, a printed copy of the minutes of the proceedings of the Harbour Trust Board's meeting held on 15th April 1895.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

J.N. Atkinson
Chairman,
Harbour Trust Board.


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