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Marine (1898) Department.

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SUBJECT.

Sinking of the Barque "Amanah"
Rahiman" in Collision with
the S.S. "Nawab"

Forwarding a copy of the
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From

The Presidency Port Office,
Madras

Order

No. $\frac{1261}{189} 4$

Dated 25th May 1898

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SUBJECT.

Submitting remarks in connection
with the Proceedings of the
Court of Enquiry touching
into the cause of the sinking
of the barge "Amanath
Rahman" in collision with
the S.S. "Hawab"

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No. 1261/1894

Presidency Port Office,

Madras, 25. May 1898.

Heading

From

Commander H. A. Stuart R. I. M.,
Presidency Port Officer,
Madras.

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
MARINE DEPARTMENT,
CHEPAK

Sir,

With reference to Marine Depart-
ment Memorandum, No. 2506, dated 5th
May 1898, I have the honor to acquaint you, for
the information of Government, that the Port
Officer at Lochin reports that the late barge
"Amanath Rahiman" on her last voyage was
provided with side lights fitted to burn kerosene
oil, and that the wooden screens were in a
proper position.

2. The view of the Court of Enquiry held at Calcutta in connection with the Collision between the Steamer "Nawab" and the barge "Amanath Rahiman" is, that the Collision was due to the lights not being in a good position, and to their being defective as to their illuminating power, but I would point

out that neither of these defects appear to have been noticed by either the Port Officer at Lochin or the Master & then don't at Colombo, and that the evidence on which the Court formed its opinion is of a very meagre description. It is of course possible that the illuminating power of the Side lights which depends a great deal on the manner of trimming was hampered by bad trimming, but for this the Ship's people must be held solely responsible. As to the position of the Side lights, the Port Officer, Lochin, says that it was right and proper before the vessel left his port and this is opposed to the view of the Court, but the members of the Court formed their opinion solely from the evidence of the crew of the barge and not from personal investigation.

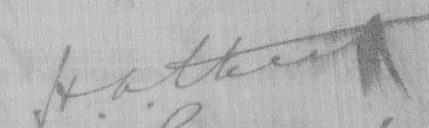
3. With respect to the position of Side and Mast Head lights, Inspectors of Lights appointed under Section 81 of Act VII of 1880 are guided by the Regulations for preventing collisions at sea, but in these Regulations the exact position of each Side light is not stated; all that the Regulations require is, ^{x Art 2, clause (b)(c), page 8} that each Side light shall be so fixed as to throw its light from right ahead to 2 points abaft the beam on its own particular Side, and ^{that} its illuminating power shall be sufficient to enable it to be visible on a dark night with a clear atmosphere, at a distance

of at least two miles.

4. The Board of Trade, however, in a circular dated September 1896 addressed to their Surveyors in the United Kingdom direct that they are "to do their best to ensure the Side lights of all vessels of 200 tons or over being carried well forward of the midship section of a ship", and I am of opinion that the Inspectors of Lights appointed under Section 81 of Act VII of 1880 should be similarly instructed.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,


Commander, R. I. M.,
Presidency Port Officer

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Marine Department

Memorandum

Letter from the Presy. Port Officer, No. 1261⁸, dated
25th May 1898

No. 295 E, 27th May 1898

The undersigned is directed to request that the Presidency Port Officer will be so good as to return the enclosures forwarded to him with this Office Memo No. 250 E dated 5th May 1898, and to forward a copy of the Board of Trade Circular referred to in para 4 of his letter No. 1261⁸ of 25th May 1898.

Attest
27th May 1898
DW

Marine (189⁸) Department.

CURRENT No. 722

From

*The Presidency Port office
Madras*

Order

No. $\frac{1261}{195} 4$

Dated 1st June 1898

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SUBJECT.

*Returning the Enclosures
called for in Marine
Department Memorandum
no 2958 of 27th May 1898.*

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No. 1261/195G

Presidency Port Office,

Madras, 1st June 1898.

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Enclosures per
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From

Commander R. A. Street, R. I. M.,
Presidency Port Officer,
Madras,

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
MARINE DEPARTMENT,
CHEPAK.

Sir,

With reference to memorandum
of Government in the Marine Department,
No. 295 E, dated 27th May 1898, I have the
honor to return herewith the enclosure received
with the memorandum of Government, No. 250 E,
dated 5th May 1898. A copy of the Board
of Trade Circular dated September 1896 referred
to in this Office letter, No. 1261/189 G, dated 25th May
1898, is also sent herewith and I request
that this may be returned when done with.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

R. A. Street

Commander, R. I. M.,

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Marine (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 780

From

Commander H. A. Street R.S.M.
Presidency Port Officer
Madras.

Order

No. $\frac{1261}{206}$ g

Dated 11th June 1898

Received 13th June 1898

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SUBJECT.

Making known the
request of the Barque Amanath
Rahimani for a copy of
Judgment in the matter by
the Marine Court of enquiry
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Madras, 11th June 1898.

Commander H. A. Street, R.N.,
Presidency Port Officer,
Madras.

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
MARINE DEPARTMENT,
CHERAP.

Sir,
I have the honor to acquaint you, for the information of Government, that Hadji Abdulsathur Hadji Abdool Succoor, one of the owners of the Barge Amanath Rahman, which, collided with the S.S. "Nawab" and sank in November 1897, on the Malabar Coast, has applied to me for a copy of the judgment of the Court of enquiry in the matter. As the copy of the judgment referred to me for remarks with memorandum of Government No. 250 C. dated 5

with my letter, N: 1261/1954, dated
1st June 1898, I make known the request
in case Government should have
no objection to a copy of the judgment
being furnished to the owner of the
vessel referred to.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obed: servant,

W. A. Theet

Commander, R.N.M.,
Presy. Port-officer

W. A.