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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	270	Press Mis.
Dated	2-2-	1860.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
for the month of February 1860.*

No. 31. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. BELL, Chief Engineer;
to the Secretary to Government, dated 17th January 1860, No. 9195.

With reference to the Proceedings Madras Government marginally noted, suggesting that Mr. Kennedy be employed in ascertaining the correct tonnage of the boats on the Eastern coast canal, I have the honor to state for the information of Government, that Mr. Kennedy has tested the registered tonnage of some of the boats by weighing their contents, and found that old leaky boats, are not loaded up to the rate charged for, while new sound boats are rather under charged.

2. In three instances of the test, two old boats were found to carry 12 and 13 per cent less than their registered tonnage, and the third a sound new boat, carries 8 per cent. more than it is registered at, and by the measurement formula lately given, would be registered at 15 tons in reality, just $\frac{2}{3}$ of what it carries.

3. Great caution no doubt, is necessary in settling the point, and I would beg to recommend as a tolerably fair settlement of the question, that a notice as proposed by Mr. Kennedy should be published and posted for the information of all concerned as follows:—

4. "The owners of boats plying on Cochrane's canal are hereby informed, by order of Government, that in cases where it is suspected the registered tonnage is too high, the parties concerned have the option of getting their boats proved by actual weight of contents, on the following conditions, viz. if it is proved that the boats have been overrated, the Government will bear the expense of the test, but if it is proved that the boats have been correctly rated and registered, the expense incurred will be borne by their respective owners. No boat in a leaky condition to be fit for trial, cost of testing 1½ Rupees per boat."

5. All expenses incurred in the registry of boats found over-rated, I would recommend being defrayed from the amount of tolls collected on the canal.

No. 32. ORDER THEREON, 2nd February 1860, No. 270.

The course recommended by the Chief Engineer is approved. Colonel Bell is authorized to take such measures as he may consider necessary to ensure due publicity of the proposed notification.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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Central Office of the
Sep't of the
January 1860.

No. 9195

From the
The Chief Engineer
To

The Secretary to Government.
Public Works Department

Enclosed
Letter from the Chief
Eng'g Dept. to the
Chief of the Dept.

Sir,

Enclosed
August 1859.

With reference to the

Proceedings of the Government in a quiet
note suggesting that Mr. Kennedy, who is
employed in ascertaining the correct
Tonnage of the Boats on the Eastern Coast
Canal I have the honor to state for the
information of Government that Mr.
Kennedy has noted the registered Tonnage
of some of the Boats by weighing their
contents, and found that old leaky Boats,
are not loaded up to the rate charged for,
while new sound Boats are rather under
charged

charged.

2. In the instance of the last, 20 and 15 Tons register
two old Boats were found to carry 12 and 13 ^{per 100 tons of cargo} ^{per 100 tons}
per Cent less than their registered Tonnage
and the third a sound new Boat carries 21 Tons registered ^{months old cargo}
8 per Cent more than it is registered at, and ^{22 1/2 Tons}
by the measurement formula lately given, ^{months old cargo}
would be registered at 15 Tons in reality
just 2/3 of what it carries.

3. Great Caution no doubt is
necessary in settling the point, and I should
like to recommend as a tolerably fair settlement
of the question that a notice as proposed by
Mr. Kennedy should be published and dis-
posed for the information of all concerned
as follows -

4. "The owners of Boats plying
on Lochranes Canal are hereby informed
by order of Government that in cases where
it is suspected the Registered Tonnage is
too high, the parties concerned have the
option of getting their Boats proved by
actual

actual weight of contents, on the following
conditions. First if it is proved that the Boat
has been over rated the Government will bear
the expense of the test, but if it is proved
that the Boat has been correctly rated
and registered, the expense incurred will
be borne by their respective owners. No Boat
in a leaky condition to be fit for trial.
Cost of testing 1 1/2 Rupees per Boat."

5. All expenses incurred in
the registry of Boats found over rated should
recommend being defrayed from the amount
of Toll collected on the Canal -

I have the honor to be
Sir,

Central Office of C. W.
Sep 18 Kan
17 January 1860
J. L. Lenth
Chief Engineer C. W.

Yours Most Obedt Servant
J. L. Lenth
Chief Engineer

The Secretary to Government
P. W. L.

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Oct 22 1872

Public Works Dept
City of New York
New York City

Mr. J. H. B. Jones

Oct 17 1872

Mr. J. H. B. Jones

With reference to the

1872

Oct 23 1872

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and a new Board of Directors
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with the Board of Directors

Oct 22 1872

The Board of Directors

by the Chief Engineer is approved both
as well as authorized to take such measures
as may be necessary
to ensure due publicity of the proposed
notification -

Oct 22 1872

J. H. B. Jones

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