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No. 208. Proceedings of the Standing Committee for Public Ceremonials in conference with the Special Committee for the Harbour Ceremonial, on Friday the 10th December 1875.

No. 209. ORDER THEREON, 11th December 1875, No. 3,517.

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Political Dept. No 771 of 7th Dec
it was

Resolved That His Grace the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos be respectfully requested to apply, on behalf of the City of Madras, to His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales to honour the City by attending at the Beach at 4 P.M. on Wednesday the 15th Instant, and laying the Memorial Stone that has been prepared to commemorate his visit, and the commencement of the Harbour Works, designed by Mr W. Parkes M.I.C.E., approved of generally by the Chamber of Commerce on behalf of the Mercantile interest, and sanctioned for execution by the Right Honble the Secretary of State for India.

Presuming that His Royal Highness

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His Highness will accept of the invitation so conveyed, His Grace the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos will further be requested to meet His Royal Highness on arrival at the site of the Memorial Stone, and address him with a formal request, in words as above, that he will be pleased to alight and perform the ceremony of laying the stone.

On His Royal Highness alighting, he and His Grace the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos will be received by the Members of Council, the Secretaries and Under Secretaries to Government, the President of the Chamber of Commerce, and by the Committee for Public Ceremonials, on the North side of the platform where the stone is situated; and the President of

of the Committee will request
permission to have read a copy
of the Parchment Inscription
to be deposited within the Me-
morial Stone, and containing a
brief description of the Harbour
Works. On this being done by the
Secretary to Government in the Dept.
Public Works, the Superintendent
of the Works will hand to His
Royal Highness the Bottle con-
taining the Inscription and a set
of coins to be deposited within the
cavity prepared for the purpose.
And he will supply him with
the Gravel prepared for the oc-
casion, and proceed with the re-
quisite operations for laying the
stone. On the stone having been

tested by His Royal Highness
the Prince of Wales, and declared
to have been well and truly
laid, His Grace the Duke of
Buckingham & Chandos will
thank His Royal Highness, in
the name of the City of Madras,
for the honor done them; and
the ceremony will conclude
with the departure of His Royal
Highness, after having inspected
the Models of the Harbour and
its details, which will have been
arranged on a table on the south
side of the Platform, and be
explained to him by the Supt. of
the Harbour Works, and the
Master Attendant.

for the 20th, see notes
It was further resolved that

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It was further Resolved
that; The Secretaries of the
most Noble the Governor
having, on the 8th instant,
announced their im-
mediacy to carry out the
task allotted to them
by L.O. N^o. 3261 of 15th
Nov^r, of distributing
the tickets for the ex-
hibition, The President,
Capt^y Taylor, & Mr. May
be requested to form them
into a special
sub-committee, to sit
next day at 10 am.
with instructions to have 20
tickets for the purpose of General
admission for the members of the
following
committees of previous ex-
hibitions were also
agreed to, viz-
All members of General
admission of General
tickets (white) laid down
on the sides of the
Cornwallis monument,
members containing
holders of ~~General~~ Platform
tickets (blue) laid down

alongside the Platform.
The same arrangements
to hold good in taking
up after the ceremony.
But, to obviate confusion,
all Ticket holders and
visitors to houses along
the beach, to drive up
so as to be in their places
by 4 O'clock; after which
hour, Carriages will
set down only on the
West side of the main-
ment, in order that
the space between it
and the Platform may
be kept clear of the
Carriages of H.R.H. the
Prince of Wales, and
of the most noble the
Governor, with their
suites - Members
of the Commemorial Com-
mittee should attend
from 3 P.M. to assist
in arranging people
in their seats -

Proceedings of the Standing Committee for Public Ceremonials in conference with
the Special Committee for the Harbour Ceremonial, on Friday the 10th
December 1875.

PRESENT:

President.—Brigadier-General T. RAIKES, C.B., Commanding Centre District.

Members.

Brigadier-General R. C. STEWART, Adjutant-General.
Colonel W. O. SWANSTON, Commissioner of Police.
L. R. BURROWS, Esq., President of the Municipal Commission.
Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Chief Engineer, Public Works Department.
Captain ROSS THOMPSON, District Engineer, Presidency.
JOHN MILLER, Esq.,
Captain TAYLOR, R.N.R., Master Attendant.
J. MAY, Esq., Superintendent, Harbour Works.

ABSENT.

Colonel C. S. HEARN, Inspector-General of Police.

The President having explained that he had convened the meeting for considera-
tion of the ceremonial to be adopted in lieu of the Masonic Ceremony cancelled by
Official Memorandum from the Political Department, No. 771, of 7th December, it was

Resolved—That His Grace the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos be respectfully
requested to apply, on behalf of the City of Madras, to His Royal Highness the Prince
of Wales to honor the City by attending at the Beach at 5-15 P.M. on Wednesday the
15th instant, and laying the Memorial Stone that has been prepared to commemorate
his visit, and the commencement of the Harbour Works designed by Mr. W. Parkes,
M. INST. C.E., approved of generally by the Chamber of Commerce on behalf of the
mercantile interest and sanctioned for execution by the Right Honorable the
Secretary of State for India.

Presuming that His Royal Highness will accept of the invitation so conveyed,
His Grace the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos will further be requested to meet
His Royal Highness on arrival at the site of the Memorial Stone, and address him with
a formal request, in words as above, that he will be pleased to alight and perform
the ceremony of laying the stone.

On His Royal Highness alighting, he and His Grace the Duke of Buckingham
and Chandos will be received by the Members of Council, the Secretaries and Under
Secretaries to Government, the President of the Chamber of Commerce, and by the
Committees for Public Ceremonials, on the north side of the platform where the stone
is situated; and the President of the Committees will request permission to have
read a copy of the Parchment Inscription to be deposited within the Memorial Stone,
and containing a brief description of the Harbour Works. On this being done by
the Secretary to Government in the Department Public Works, the Superintendent
of the Works will hand to His Royal Highness the Bottle containing the Inscription
and a set of coins to be deposited within the cavity prepared for the purpose. And he
will supply him with the trowel prepared for the occasion, and proceed with the

requisite operations for laying the stone. On the stone having been tested by His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, and declared to have been well and truly laid His Grace the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos will thank His Royal Highness, in the name of the City of Madras, for the honor done them; and the ceremony will conclude with the departure of His Royal Highness, after having inspected the Models of the Harbour and its details, which will have been arranged on a table on the south side of the platform, and be explained to him by the Superintendent of the Harbour Works and the Master Attendant.

It was further *resolved* that, the Secretaries to the Most Noble the Governor having, on the 8th instant, announced their inability to carry out the task allotted to them by G.O., No. 3,261, of 15th November, of distributing the tickets for the ceremonial, the President, Captain Taylor, and Mr. May be requested to form themselves into a special Sub-Committee, to sit next day at noon, for the purpose, with instructions to reserve twenty general tickets for the Chamber of Commerce.

The following modifications of previous arrangements were also agreed to, viz.:—

All carriages containing holders of general tickets (white) to set down on either side of the Cornwallis' Monument; carriages containing holders of platform tickets (blue) to set down alongside the platform. The same arrangements to hold good in taking up after the ceremony. But, to obviate confusion, all ticket-holders and visitors to houses along the beach, to drive up so as to be in their places by 4 o'clock; after which hour carriages will set down only on the west side of the Monument, in order that the space between it and the platform may be kept clear for the carriages of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales and of the Most Noble the Governor, with their suites. Members of the Ceremonial Committees will attend from 3 p.m. to assist in arranging people in their seats.

(Signed) T. RAIKES, Brigadier-General,
President.

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