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Government of Madras.

Public Works **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 314 (W)	~~Press~~ ~~Mis.~~ <i>his</i>
Dated 27-6-	1877.

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From

THE SUPERINTENDENT,
MADRAS HARBOUR WORKS,

To

Colonel C. A. Ford, R. E.
Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
MADRAS, 18th June 1877

SIR,

I have the honor to submit the following report on the crates deposited at the bottom of the sea, and at the same time to answer the question raised in para 3 of G. O. No 211 W dated June 9th.

2. In reply to the above mentioned paragraph of the G. O., I have to state that the crate in question was overturned, as reported by me in the progress report No 1 B, dated 2nd April. Finding it overturned on the occasion mentioned in that report, I was, of course, obliged to leave it so, as the weight of the crate of stone is too great for one man to move. Having reported it as overturned in the letter to Government of April 2nd, I imagined that as I had mentioned its size, there would be no doubt that it was not set

upright

upright again, but in future I will report more in detail and leave no room for doubt.

3. On the 12th instant, the Assistant Superintendent at my request, went in search of the crates again, this being, the first visit after the storm of the 16th day. On this occasion the state of the sea was not favourable for taking observations, but still it was just possible to see a sextant and send down a diver -

4. The result of the observations is as follows -

The crate in 5½ fathoms was found in the same position and with the same depth of sand round it, as formerly reported after my visit to it in April 24th.

5. The crate deposited near to that just mentioned on 21st April, was found to be overturned towards the East. There was some silty sand heaped up against the South-west corner, to the depth of about 12-inches. A bottle which had been placed in the crate had disappeared, and I regret that I am unable to state whether it had

caught

any sand in suspension -

6. The other two crates were visited, but the position of the vessels in the roads did not admit of the crates being found, although a search was made for some hours. -

7. Although not bearing on the question at present under consideration, I would take the opportunity of reporting that the setting of blocks is resumed at the North Pier. -

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

J. H. M. M. M. M.

Superintendent
of Hudson Harbor Works

P.W.D.

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To
The Superintendent
Madras Harbour Works

No 23 W
Dated 18th June 1877

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Reports having visited
with observations thereon

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Letter from the Supt. Madras Harbour
Works No 23 W dated 18th June 1877.

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Edmond Colonel R.E.
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No. 314 W.

10th Decr. 1877

P. M. G.

dated the 27 June 1877

to H.

Read the following:-

Letter from Supt. M. H. Hicks (No. 23 H. d/18 June 1877)

The Governor in Council desires that the overturned crates be, if possible, replaced, or others placed in their stead.

2. There would appear to be indications of sand-movement at two of the crates; but further examination of these and of the other crates will be necessary to enable the Government to form any conclusion on the subject.

Supt. M. H. Hicks, up
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placed or others fixed in
their stead, and further
observations made and
reported on.

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M. B. D.