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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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Buildings and Roads
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Read the following paper —

No 169. From F N THOROWGOOD, Esq, Superintendent, Madras Harbour Works to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Buildings and Roads, dated Madras 29th August 1878, No 26 W.

I HAVE the honor respectfully to await the orders of Government on the following matters connected with the two steam hopper barges *Hobart* and *Salisbury* belonging to these works

2 In G O, No 1,433, of 15th June 1876, His Grace the Governor in Council places the entire control of the two vessels in the hands of the Master Attendant, and, generally speaking, up to June of this year I always referred to Captain Taylor when any movement of the vessels was desirable, or any alteration made in the crew, or any special stores required on board

3 Since June, however, I have been using the *Salisbury* at her regular work of tipping rubble base, and this work has necessarily been carried on under my detailed orders without any official reference to the Master Attendant In a short time I hope to have the *Hobart* at work also in the same way.

4 This work of coming to the North Pier to be loaded and then steaming out to deposit the stone involves much supervision from myself and staff, and as coal, oil, cotton waste, rope hawsers, &c, are used in considerable quantities, they have to be constantly supplied on indent from the Harbour Works Stores.

5 According to the arrangements which have hitherto existed every indent for any kind of stores must be passed through the Marine Department, where those things which cannot be supplied by that department are marked off and referred to my store for supply Even when the hoppers were not at work this system caused unavoidable delay, and at the present time it would be impossible to refer every indent to the Marine Department without seriously interfering with the work With regard to stores, therefore, I have taken the supply of them to the *Salisbury* entirely into my own hands, although by so doing I appear to act contrary to the letter of the Government Order above referred to

6. With regard to the crew, they have all been appointed under the orders of the Master Attendant, who procured two very good Engineers in June 1877, when I was at a loss how to fill the place of the Engineers who returned to England The Commanders also were appointed by Captain Taylor On requisition there is always a slight doubt in the mate's mind as to whom they are to obey first, the Master Attendant or the Superintendent of the Harbour Works I think it desirable that this doubt should be removed

7. The two Engineers (Messrs W. Croft and R. Palmer) were taken on in June 1877 with an agreement to serve for one year at Rupees 200 a-month, with free quarters when ashore This rate of pay is Rupees 50 a-month less than was paid to the two former first Engineers I now propose to keep these two men on with an agreement for two years from 1st September 1878, but as they will not stop for that period at the present rate of pay, I propose to increase the pay gradually until for the last six months of the two years they draw the same pay as the first Engineers

No 2911

From

THE SUPERINTENDENT,
MADRAS HARBOUR WORKS.

To Colonel C. A. Ford, R.E.
Secretary to Government, Pub. Works Dept.
Buildings & Roads
Fort St. George

Madras 29th August 1878

Sir,

I have the honor respectfully to await the orders of Government on the following matters connected with the two steam hopper barges "Hobart" and "Salisbury" belonging to these works.—

2 Mr G.O. No 1493 of 18th June 1878 directs the Governor in Council places the entire control of the two vessels in the hands of the Master Attendant, and generally speaking up to June of this year, I always referred to Captain Taylor when any movement of the vessels was desirable or any alteration made in the crew, or any special stores required on board.—

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7 The two Engineers, (whose Mr Croft and
R. Palmer) were taken on in June 1877 with
an Agreement to serve for one year at £200
a month, with free quarters when ashore.—
This rate of pay is £50 a month less than
was paid to the two former first Engineers.—

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have the great privilege of the Master Attendant's advice and experience as to when it is desirable to send the vessels from Madras, and — secondly, that any proposed arrangements for the engineers, may have sanction so that no difficulty may arise in passing them through the Examiner's Office. —

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
J. Wedderburn
Superintendent
Madras Harbour Works

No 3568 W Public Works Department

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 9th Sept 78 3568

Read the following —

From, The Superintendent Madras Harbour Works } (W.C. No. 294 Dy 29th Augt 78)

The proposed modification of G.O. No. 1493, dated 15th June, 1876, in the necessity of which the Master Attendant would doubtless concur is generally approved by Government. He however no strict rules can be laid down in a case like this the details of the new arrangements will be left to Captain Taylor and Mr Pearson good - 2 - the Superintendents

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