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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

8th February 1881, No. 353 W.

Buildings and Roads
Civil Works.

Read the following paper:—

No. 35. From Captain A. AWBRY, R.E., Superintendent of Works, Buckingham Canal, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated 1st February 1881, No. 2,901.

I have the honor to inform you that there are one or two points on which I should be glad to receive the authority of Government in regard to the working of the rules applicable to testing boats. They are as follow:—

(a) Some budgerows plying for hire are small and light, so that the Rule (IX, Section 2) in regard to the 18-inch freeboard is not applicable to their case, as there is not an 18-inch freeboard even when the boats are empty; therefore by testing no tonnage is arrived at. In such cases I have issued licenses for the whole canal on payment of a fifteen-rupee fee.

An addition should, I think, be made to this rule of the words "the minimum fee for licensing a budgerow for the whole canal shall be Rs. 15."

(b) Rule VIII allows boat-owners to bring their boats to be tested. It does not, however, give me power to order the tonnage of any boat to be tested. This is unfair on the Government, for the owners of boats know very well whether their boats can carry more or less than the tonnage arrived at by measurement, and they only bring the class of boat to be tested which cannot carry the tonnage registered. In the case of boats which can carry more than the registered tonnage the owners refuse to have their boats tested, even though the boats are new; Government is thus deprived of license and toll fees for the extra tonnage carried by boats, which can and do carry more tonnage than they are registered for.

I have therefore the honor to suggest, as an addition to Rule VIII, that between the words "on the" and "owner of the vessel" the words "the order of the officer in charge of the canal or on the" should be added; also that at the end of the rule the following should be added:—"The cost of testing shall be borne by the Government when it is carried out on the order of the officer in charge of the canal, and in such case its effect shall not be retrospective."

2. I have the honor to solicit early orders on the subject, as many new boats are coming in to be licensed.

No. 36. ORDER THEREON, 8th February 1881, No. 353 W.

The Government approve the additions suggested by the Superintendent of Works, Buckingham Canal, to Rules VIII and IX, which will be republished, as amended, in the Fort St. George and Local Gazettes.

(True Extract.)

Major, R.E.,
Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintendent of Works, Buckingham Canal.
Government Press.

" Revenue Department.
" Board of Revenue.
" Superintendent of Works, Kistna.
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BUCKINGHAM CANAL.

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No. 35-36.

Rules VIII and IX for the Regulation
of the Navigation of the Buckingham Canal.
The regulations suggested by the Superin-
tendent of Works 1881, approved and
ordered to be regularly amended, in the
Port of George and Port of Galle.

No. 2901

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OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF WORKS.

BUCKINGHAM CANAL.

George, 1st February 1881.

From

THE SUPERINTENDENT OF WORKS,

BUCKINGHAM CANAL.

To

THE CHIEF ENGINEER,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

Madras.

Sir,

Enclosure.

I have the honor to inform you
that there are now on the points on
which I should be glad to receive the
authority of Government in regard to
the working of the Rules applicable to
Floating Boats. They are as follows.

- (a) Some Budgours plying for hire
are small and light so that the
rule (12 rule) in regard to the 15 inch
freeboard is not applicable to them
as there is not an 18 inch
freeboard even when the boats
are empty therefore by letting no
tonnage is charged at. In each
case I have issued licenses for

the whole Canal in payment of
fifteen Rupees Free

In addition should I think
be made to this rule of the words,

"The minimum fee for Licensing

as Bridgeway for the whole Canal

shall be Rs 15-0-0"

(b) Rule VIII allow Boat owners to
bring their Boats to be tested. It
does not however give me power
to order the tonnage of any Boat
to be tested. This is unfair on the
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shall not be retrospective"

2. I have the honor to solicit
early orders on the subject as many
new Boats are coming in to be licensed.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant
A. Brown, Captain R.
Superintendent of Works
Buckingham Canal

B. No. 1388 v. 14-6-80.
" " 1895 v. 9-8-80.

From

THE SUPERINTENDENT OF WORKS,
BUCKINGHAM CANAL.

To

THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
Madras.

Dated

1st February 1881.

No. 2901

Enclosure.

Rules VIII & IX for the
regulation of the
Navigation of the
Buckingham Canal—
proposing certain additions
to the

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Letter from the Superintendent of Works, Buckingham
Canal No 1901 of 1st February 1881.

FOR ORDERS.

The amended Rules
will stand as shown by
the pencil additions on
G.O. 1895 v. 9th Aug^t
1880.

R. B. [Signature]
for Secy to Govt. Secy.

No 353 W

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 8th Feb 1881

Read the following:—

From the Supt. of works B. Canal H.R. No 2901 & 1: Feb 1881.

The Govt. approve
the additions suggested
by the Supt. of works
Buckingham Canal to
Rules VIII & IX, which
will be republished,
as amended, in the
Fort St. George & Local
Gazettes.

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- To The Supt. of works B. Canal.
- " S. of works Fort. St. George.
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