

To
The Right Honorable

Mount Edward Stuart Grand Duff

Governor of Madras

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We the undersigned Boat Owners of
Buckingham Canal near Papan (Chavady)
in the Chozhughal Zillah beg your Lordship
most humbly to beg and enough to give
your Lordship hear to our Cries on the
following subjects.

We sent to your Lordship an appeal
on the 27th of February last regarding the
injustice done to us by Mr. Brockman the
Executive Engineer; for which we received
the following reply viz: the Government
approve the action of the Executive Engineer
Buckingham Canal who has correctly
enforced the by laws relating to the Canal.

We regret to inform to your Lordship
that if your Lordship were to pass such an
order without enquiring any thing of the case
we don't know where to get justice. We
are fined unjustly on the plea of our Boat
having passed into the Canal without light
or with heavy load; to this we are ready to

prove that our Boats never passed at any time
without light or with heavy load. If your Lordship
decide the Case in the favor of the Executive Engineer
believing his words true & our statement falseword
we afraid that the Engineer will take advantage of it
& will try to oppress us Cruelly more than he was
doing before. We beg to ask your Lordship if the
Statement of the Engineer was fact as to our boat
having passed into the Canal without light or
with heavy load should there not be any Complaints
against us or any damages should happen

We are all very poor and helpless people living
by hard working. We have no help excepting your
Lordship. We believe your Lordship as our almighty
God.

Under all these Circumstances we request
your Lordship will have the kindness to enquire
our Case once more & do us justice in order that
we may not be treated Cruelly here after

We beg to remain
My Lord.

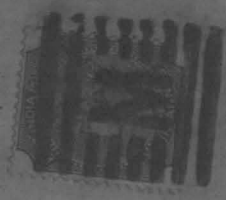
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4th May 1882
Buckingham
Canal

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Petition from Boatowners of
the Buckingham Canal
near Papanchavady

Dated 4th May 1882



Right Honorable
Mand Edward Stuart Grant Duff
Governor of Madras
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Government, Department.

(By Order.)

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Captain, R.E.,
Private Secretary.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Cotacaimund
10th May 1882.

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(1882) DEPARTMENT.

From

THE *Private* SECRETARY

TO THE RIGHT HON. THE GOVERNOR,

To

The Chief SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
DEPARTMENT.

Dated

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ENCLOSURE. /

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Subject.

Transfers a petition from Boat owners

in Buckingham Canal
praying that their
case may be again
enquired into & justice
done -

No. 1285/82

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 22nd May/82.

Read the following:—

Petition from Boat Owners in the Buckingham
Canal near Papanchavady of 4th May 1882.

The matter of this
petition having already
been disposed of in
G.O. 976 W of 20th April
1882, the present appeal
will be lodged.

R.S.

Att

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The Hon. W. H. Harrison



B No: 1285 Jr 22nd May 82

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