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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Account.

No. 94.

READ—the following letter from N. St. B. BEARDMORE, Esq., C.E., Acting Superintendent, Madras Harbour Works, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 4th September 1882, No. 38 W.:—

In G.O., No. $\frac{1400}{A}$ W. of 12th June 1882, you requested me to report from time to time as to the requirements of these works in regard to cement and as to the supplies obtained locally, &c.

2. I have now received from the Madras Cement Company—

in June	...	...	...	...	21 tons
in July	...	...	...	...	95 "
and in August...	...	...	...	...	178 "

Total ... 294

instead of the 600 tons this Company might have delivered to me according to their undertaking. Of the quantity delivered I have used 116 tons, *i.e.*, the whole of the first two months' delivery.

3. As I do not desire to use any of this Company's cement until I have had it at least one month in store, so that I may consider and be guided by the result of the 28 days' test, and as I wish to reserve for blockmaking the small quantity of White Brothers' cement that I purchased with your approval from the Captain of the *White Rose*, I purchased last week from a local firm 46 tons of a very strong cement manufactured by Messrs. Burge and Barrow, having purchased 14 tons of the same cement last May. This will enable me to go on for a short time with the small repairs, coping and relaying lines of railways on the piers; as it is a rather quick setting cement it is excellently suited for the purpose.

4. Mr. Parkes writes to me that the tender of the Gillingham Company has been accepted for the thousand tons of cement lately ordered from England, and in his letter received by the last mail he says that the freight for 350 tons has been contracted for by the S.S. *Duke of Buccleuch* and *Teheran*. You may have observed that news has reached this country that the *Duke of Buccleuch* has put into Antwerp in distress, and I presume she has our cement on board. This may cause me to run short of cement, and I should like to purchase, if it proves good on testing, another hundred tons of Messrs. Burge and Barrow's cement which has lately been imported by a local firm. It has been offered to me at 42 rupees per ton which is almost as cheap as that imported through the Secretary of State, or as that manufactured by the Madras Company. If it proves as good as the last lot of the same makers, I think, whether one wanted to use it immediately or not, it would be advisable to buy it at so low a figure.

5. The cost of the English cement, or at least of the 350 tons for which freight has been taken, will be per ton—

	£	s.	d.
Cement in casks f.o.b	1	19	3
Freight	1	2	6
5 per cent. on ditto for casks... ..	0	1	1½
	3	2	10½

or, say, Rs. 38, to which Rs. 2 per ton will have to be added for landing charges, making Rs. 40 per ton for the cement in the Harbour Works warehouses. Mr. Parkes remarks that he sees no reason for departing from the rule originally laid down that we would take any approved cement from the Madras Company at 10 per cent. below the cost of English cement delivered on the works. Of course I must take the twelve months' delivery arranged for with the Madras Company at Rs. 40 per ton, but I think after that delivery is concluded I must ask them, in the event of the English cement remaining so low in cost, to lower their price.

No. 95.

ORDER—dated 14th September 1882, No. 2370 W., Public Works.

The proposal to purchase 100 tons of Messrs. Burge and Barrow's cement at Rs. 42 per ton is approved.

(True Extract.)

Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
Irrigation Branch.

To the Superintendent, Madras Harbour Works.
„ Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

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GENERAL.
ACCOUNT.

Gobt. of (1882) Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated September, 14th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 14th Sept. 1882, No. 2370 W.

SEPTEMBER.

Nos. 94-95.

Cement.

The proposal to purchase 100 tons of
Messrs. Burge and Barrow's — at Rs. 42 per
ton, approved.

No. 3812

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From

THE ACTING SUPERINTENDENT,
MADRAS HARBOUR WORKS,

To

The Secretary to Government.
Public Works Department.
MADRAS, 14 September 1882.

Sir
In G.O. 1460 W of 12 June 1882 you requested
me to report from time to time as to the
requirements of these Works in regard to cement
and as to the supplies obtained locally.

2 I have now received from the Madras Cement
Company in June 21 tons
in July 95 tons
and in August 178 tons

Total 294 instead of the
600 tons this Company might have delivered to
me according to their undertaking. Of the
quantity delivered I have used 166 tons i.e. the
whole of the first two months' delivery.

3 As I do not desire to use any of this
Company's cement until I have had it at
least one month in store so that I may consider
and be guided by the result of the 28 days' test.
and as I wish to reserve for blockmaking the
small quantity of White Portland cement that I
purchased with your approval from the Captain
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a local firm 146 tons of a very strong cement.

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or not, it would be advisable to buy it at
so low a figure.

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of the 350 tons for which freight has been taken,
will be per ton - cement in casks Feb. £ 1-19-3

Freight. 1-2-6

5% on casks for casks. 1-1¹/₂

£ 3-2-10¹/₂

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arranged for with the Madras Company
at Rs 40. per ton, but I think after that
delivery is concluded I must ask them
in the event of the English cement remain-
ing so low in cost, to lower their price.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant

Wm. B. Beadmore & Co.

By Superintendent

Mr. Madras Works.

A. L. 1460 12-6-82
" 1605 26- " "
B. 1829 25-7- " "

No 2370 w & 14 Sept 82

The proposal to
purchase 100 tons
of Messrs Burge &
Barrow's Cement at
£42 per ton is
approved

1.9.82

No 3800

9 Sept 1882

Quoted Bill

Cement

Submits report re-
garding the quantity
of - obtained locally -

Supt. Mr. H. 3 ✓
Engr. Mr. A. 7 ✓
B. 14/9
only 7/9 Oct 1882

With order

Buildings & Road

From

The Agt Supt
Mr. Harkness Works

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Govt. of (1882) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Date

Recd.

Encl.

G.O. 11th Sept. 1882, No. 23704

No.

94 to 95

Cement

The proposal to
purchase 100 tons
of Messrs. Price and
Barnard's — at Rs 42/-
per ton approved.

(Signature)

Enter in Receipt Register

14/9

14/9
14/5/82

only 7/9 Oct 15/9