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G.O., 31st March 1887, No. 975 W.

MARCH.

Mr. F. N. Thorowgood

Report of the withdrawal of his resignation of his appointment as Superintendent of the Madras Harbour Works by —, recorded.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

LETTER—to

THE RIGHT HONORABLE THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA.

MY LORD,

In continuation of our despatch, in the Marine Department, No. 1, dated 23rd February 1887, we have the honor to forward a copy of our proceedings, No. 689 W., dated 5th March 1887, in which we have ruled that, although Mr. Thorowgood may have been originally entertained for the construction of the harbour only, he is practically the Engineer maintained by the Harbour Trust Board under section 21 for the purposes of the Madras Harbour Trust Act No. 2 of 1886, *i.e.*, for the regulation, conservancy and improvement (including repair and construction) of the harbour as it stood when the Act was passed.

We have the honor to be,
My Lord,
Your Lordship's most obedient, humble servants,

(Signed) ROBERT BOURKE.
(„) C. G. MASTER.
(„) P. P. HUTCHINS.

(True Copy.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
22nd March 1887.

Exd. E. Fernandez

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

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READ—the following letter from the Honorable R. W. BARLOW, C.S., Chairman, Harbour Trust Board, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 4th February 1887, No. 2113 :—

I have the honor to submit, for orders of Government, copy of a resolution passed by the Harbour Trustees on the 27th January 1887, and confirmed last evening.

2. The Board are of opinion that all works requiring engineering skill, connected with the harbour, though not strictly appertaining to the construction of the same, should be under the Superintendent, as the most convenient and economical arrangement; and, further, in their opinion, the supervision of such additional work would not overtax him or interfere with the work of construction.

3. As matters now stand, the Board consider that they are precluded from calling upon Mr. Thorowgood to prepare plans and estimates for, or execute other works connected with, the harbour, as he was entertained, they believe, for harbour construction only.

ENCLOSURE.

EXTRACT of Proceedings of the Harbour Trust Board at a Meeting held at the offices of the Board on Thursday, the 27th day of January 1887.

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9. Read minute by Captain W. L. C. Baddeley, R.E., with reference to the position of Superintendent, Madras Harbour Works, as regards works connected with the harbour, but not forming part of construction.

Read also note thereon by the Chairman, and minute by Mr. R. G. Orr.

Resolved that it is, in the opinion of the Board, advisable that all work, such as the construction of hards, in or near the harbour, tramways for facilitating the shipping and landing of goods, and other work for which the Superintendent of the Madras Harbour Works possesses every facility, should be carried out by him, whenever the Board consider that the work is of sufficient importance to require his supervision, and the Government will be addressed in the terms proposed.

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Transferred to the Public Works Department.

(By Order.)

9th February 1887.

(Signed) W. S. MEYER,
Asst. Secy., Public, &c., Depts.

ORDER—dated 5th March 1887, No. 689 W., Public Works.

It seems clear from paragraph 2 of the despatch in G.O., dated 23rd November 1886, No. 3099 W., that, although perhaps he may have been originally entertained for the construction of the harbour only, Mr. Thorowgood is practically the Engineer maintained by the Board, under section 21, for the purposes of the Act, *i.e.*, for the regulation, conservancy and improvement (including repair and construction) of the harbour as it stood when the Act was passed. This has also been recognised in the recent order, in the Marine Department, No. 70, dated 15th February 1887.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. O. HASTED, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Chairman, Madras Harbour Trust Board.
" Marine Department.

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Dated March, 5th.

Read. *Encl*

G.O., 5th March 1887, No. 689 W.

MARCH.

Madras Harbour Works

Mr F. N. Thorowgood, the Superintendent—.Considering that, under the Harbour Trust Act, — should superintend the regulation, conservancy and improvement as well as repair and construction of the harbour.

GOVT. OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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LETTER to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India.

No. $\frac{5}{879\ W.}$ dated 22nd Mar. 1887.

Forwarding copy of proceedings ruling that Mr. F. N. Thorowgood, Superintendent, Madras Harbour Works, should superintend the regulation, conservancy and improvement as well as the repair and construction of the harbour.

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C. W. Alexander
General Branch

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No 717 Jm.

From

The Superintendent

Madras Harbour Works.

To

The Chairman

Harbour Trust Board

Madras.

Madras March 9th 1887.

Sir

With reference to my letter No 586 Jm of January 24 in which for reasons already set forth I tendered my resignation of this appointment I have the honour to report that since the date of that letter I have received a telegram from Mr. Parker asking me to place the case before His Excellency the Governor.

2. I have done so and His Excellency was kind enough both to listen to what I had to say in great detail and further to give me

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Sir
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(Signed) F. H. Thorngood M. Inst C.E.
Superintendent Madras
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FROM The Honorable R.W. Barlow C.S.

CHAIRMAN, HARBOUR TRUST BOARD,

MADRAS,

To

Colonel J.O Hadick R.E.

Secretary to Government

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Recd H.B.

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