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Name of Individual

(Subject)

Kilindini
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Kilindini Lighterage

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Suggests two methods of breaking the present monopoly: Formation of a Harbour Board - a grant of permission to a private toy to build a pier in power to collect dues for a number of years. Proper forms attached.

(Minutes.)

Mr. Antreas See minutes on 22236.

I would draw on this

1. There is no sufficient evidence to show that the lighterage charges are excessive. There is a charge of a ton not of a hundred by Mr. Cecil (22058), & the Govt. could not do it for less.
2. If a Harbour Board were to take on all buoys & lighters it would have to compensate the present owners.

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3. As to the proposal to allow a Com-
pany to build a pier at a cost
of £500,000. The grant of such a
monopoly is undesirable in itself
and unless lightage were pro-
vided, or made a monopoly of
the pier, there would be no prospect
that the Co. would pay a value
worth while to raise its capital
from the public. Like people
elsewhere the first string operators
of a pier now admit that
lightage is actually profitable.

4. To call the lightage licence of
Smith Mackenzie & Co an injurious
monopoly is what the lawyers
will mean to say about it. They
have no special rights, but a
trivial licence to collect lightage
not to be exercised.

M. J.

2. again. See 22236, containing
the Commission's opinion that the Railway
(or the Govt.) could not do the work
at less than is charged at

present - viz. No. 3 - a con.

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From all I can hear it seems plain that
the present arrangements are both expensive
and inadequate. We ought to make up
our minds to improve matters.

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Before expressing an opinion
I should have to be assured
that the project would be successful.
I do not think it is an object
in which Gov. can possibly interfere,
but the making of a Union Bond
would be desirable in his hands.

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Dear Seely

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With reference to the
 interview I had with you
 on Tuesday I think there
 are two methods of putting
 a stop to the injurious most
 injurious monopoly held by
 the two companies owning
 lighters & tugs in Pelindaba
 Harbour.

The first & in many ways I
 think, the more preferable
 would be the formation of
 a Harbour Board such as

power to borrow money for the purpose of
erection of piers, Rafters, light house etc
etc.

The other alternative is to sell a private
Company to build a pier with a concession
for a number of years. I collect the
harbour dues Velle

I have been going into the question of
cost & I fancy such a pier as would
be require would cost somewhere
the neighbourhood of £500,000 or there
abouts & would take some time to
complete & in the meantime some immediate
reform is in the question some immediate
steps recommend that a Harbour Board
be formed forthwith.

It should be borne in mind that the
Government is one of the largest sufferers
from the present deterioration in charges
levied by the existing municipalities.

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is - existence - in all S.
African ports.

The members of the Board
would be elected by the
merchants & chamber of
commerce, two additional
members being nominated
by the local Government &
the Customs Officer being
an ex officio member.

Their duties would be to
~~impose~~ whether such harbour
dues & light dues charges
as they thought best & they
would be the sole owners
of lights & buoys in the
harbour. would a pier or
wharves were built - all
money collected by them
would of course go toward
the improvement of the
harbour & they would have

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Mr. Ellis 9/4

Mr.

Mr. Just.

X Mr. Antrobus 7/4

Mr. Coe.

Sir C. Lucas.

Sir F. Hopwood.

Mr. Churchill.

The Earl of Egin.

(I don't think any
further reply to Mr
Kindsley is required
(his letter has been
asked.)

Mr Kindsley to C.D. 26/7

Gov Gen

" July '08

I have the honor
to acknowledge the receipt of
your despatch No 258 of
the 28th of May
in the subject of
landing fault at
the Harbour of Kibira
and to transmit to
you for your informa-
-tion the accompany-
-ing copy of a letter
from Mr. H.F. Kindsley
referring to the
question
2 In view of

The opinion of Mr. Carrut
that the present charge
for lightage is not ex-
-cessive, and that
the work could not be
done at a profit at lower
rates. I shall not press
the proposal that the
Railway should under-
-take this work.

3. ~~You should however~~
I should however be
glad if you would
carefully watch the
working of the present
system, and in
particular that you
will assure yourself
that the rate of Rs 3
per ton is actually the
lowest rate to the public.

and note a special rate
accorded to the Govt.⁸³
by a few powerful firms
who, if neglected, would
be in a position to make
other arrangements.

4. The suggestion of
Mr. Henderson that
a Harbour Board should
be established seems
deserving of careful
consideration.

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