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Fort Saint George, Financial Consultation, 7th July 1857.

No. 1. From F. LUSHINGTON, Esq., Civil Auditor ; to E. MALTBY, Esq., Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Financial Department, dated 23rd June 1857, No. 117.

SIR,

General Department.

In forwarding 74* Copies of the Civil Auditor's Manual for this Presidency, being the first instalment of the 300 Copies subscribed by Government, the remaining
 * 13 Interleaved. Copies being promised to be given to me as soon as they are bound, I have
 61 Plain. the honor to submit, for the favorable consideration of the Right Honorable
 — the Governor in Council, a letter from the Compiler of the work, representing
 74 that in consequence of the work having very considerably outgrown the as-
 — sumed size, the cost of publication has increased in proportion, while the
 sale of the book to the public has been meagre in the extreme, and that he
 will be a heavy loser pecuniarily were he to sell the work to the Government at the price agreed
 upon, viz., Rupees 6 the Copy ; and requesting in consequence that the Government will be
 pleased to take the work at the price advertised, viz., Rupees 9 the Plain, and Rupees 9-12 the
 interleaved copy.

As the enlargement of the Manual has greatly added to its value as a Book of reference, and hasa
 the same time entailed upon the Compiler much extra labor and expence, while the chances of his
 being remunerated for his trouble have diminished in proportion as the work has increased in size,
 I trust, that the Government will admit the propriety of Mr. Lyon's request that the Government
 should take the Manual at the advertised price, viz., Rupees 9 the Copy.

(Signed) F. LUSHINGTON,
Civil Auditor.

From Mr. J. LYONS ; to F. LUSHINGTON, Esq., Civil Auditor, dated 22d June 1857.

SIR,

In submitting to you 74 Copies* of the Civil Auditor's Manual for this Presidency for trans-
 mission to Government, (the remaining 226 Copies subscribed for by that Au-
 thority will be submitted as they issue from the Binder's hands,) I beg to re-
 * 13 Interleaved. present, that in consequence of the work having increased by three times the
 61 Plain. size which it was at first thought it would come up to, I shall suffer a heavy
 — loss if the Government should require that I should sell the work to them at the
 74 price originally settled, viz., Rupees 6 the Copy.
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In your letter to Government of the 21st July 1856, para: 8, it was stated that the Manual
 would contain about 170 pages. The number of pages it actually contains is 531, or little more
 than thrice the assumed figure. At the time the proposal was made to sell the work at Rupees 6
 the Copy, I was under the belief that the cost of publication would not exceed Rupees 1,200, I
 now find that the charge will hardly be less than Rupees 2,500, and even this amount would have
 been below the mark if I had not got the work bound at home, purchasing the material myself and
 engaging binders. The charge for binding alone if given to the press at which the book was
 printed, would amount to Rupees 1,000, in consequence of the pages not having been numbered
 consecutively, thus increasing the labor of the binder and rendering skilled supervision necessary.

* 22nd June 1857.

† Value Rupees 126

† Cost 2,500

Value of 300 Copies at

6 Rupees the Copy... 1,800

By Private Sale..... 100

1,900

Up to this date* I have received applications for 14 Co-
 pies† only, although I have given sufficient publicity to the fact of
 the publication : and I am not sanguine enough to believe that I
 shall be able to dispose of the remaining Copies (out of the proceed
 of the sale of which alone I must look for any remuneration) within
 a short time, so that at starting I shall be out of pocket by Rupees
 600† after all the labor I have undergone in collecting and ar-
 ranging, solely and unaided, the material and in getting the
 work through the press.

Under these circumstances I beg that you will kindly represent to the Government that un-
 less they consent to take the work at the price advertised, viz., Rupees 9 the plain, and Rupees
 9-12 the interleaved Copy, I shall not only receive no remuneration for my labors in getting up
 the Manual, but be a certain loser of what to me is no inconsiderable a sum, a position, in which I
 feel satisfied, the Government would not desire to see me in.

(Signed) J. LYONS.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) F. LUSHINGTON,
Civil Auditor.

No. 2. ORDER THEREON, No. 382; dated 1st July 1857.

Under the circumstances represented, the Government agree to take the 300 Copies of the
 Civil Auditor's Manual subscribed for, at the advertised price of nine (9) Rupees the plain, and
 nine (9) Rupees and twelve Annas the interleaved Copy.

Exd. J. A. Wilson:

Order No. 382 dated 1857
Under the circumstances
represented, the Govt. agree to
take the 300 copies of the Civil
Auditor's Manual subscribed for,
at the advertised price of nine
(9) Rupees the plain, and nine
(9) Rupees and twelve (12) An.
for the interleaved copy.

To C. S. George,
1st July, 1857.

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To the Civil Auditor } Dispd.
Account General }