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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
13th May 1862.

No. 43. Read the following letter from F. LUSHINGTON, Esq., Acting Accountant General; to A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Esq., Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 6th May 1862, No. 8.

Budget and Finance Department.

Superintendent.....	Rupees 1,260
Establishment.....	480
Servants.....	264
Saderwarid and Con- tingencies.....	90
	<u>2,094</u>

1. I have the honor to state that a sum of Rupees 2,094 as per margin, was provided in the Budget Estimate for 1862-63, of the Collector of Madras under the head "2 Sayer" minor head Cochrane's Canal; being the cost of that Establishment. The receipts and charges on the above account hitherto appeared under Land Revenue receipts and charges, but in a letter recently received from the Auditor General of Indian, the receipts from tolls levied at the Canal were ordered to be credited to XIII Public Works, and it follows that the charges should appear under E. Works of internal improvement and Public convenience. In the form of Budget Estimates for 1862-63, furnished by this Office to Collectors, the item of receipts in question was entered under XIII Public Works and provision was accordingly made by the Collector under that head, but no specific provision having been made in the form of charges under E. Works of internal improvement, &c., for exhibiting the Establishment charges of the Canal, the Collector entered them under the old head 2 Sayer. This provision was struck out in the Office of the Board of Revenue, with a remark in pencil "Belongs to Public Works Department," and no intimation of the fact was given to this Office which based its Estimates upon the general Revenue Estimates prepared in the Office of the Government Secretariat, Revenue Department, in transmitting which to this Department, no allusion was made to the charges which were struck out, and in the hurry of completing the Budget, which had to be despatched by the first Steamer in February, the remark of the Board escaped notice, and thus there is no provision for the charge in question under either of the heads.

2. The amount being small, it can be met, under Orders of Government, from the savings expected under the Budget head E. Works of internal improvement, &c., under which the provision made for charges on account of Travellers' Bungalows, Native Choultries, &c., is in excess by Rupees 5,219 as remarked by Government in paragraph 3 of their Proceedings in the Public Works Department, dated 5th February last, No. 133, a spare copy of which is enclosed for ready reference.

* Actual of 11 months, Rupees	24,402
Estimate for 1 ,, ,,	2,218
	<u>26,620</u>

† Rupees 2,939.

‡ Rupees 40,555.

§ In 1860-61.....	Rupees 29,231
„ 1861-62.....	29,559

3. I enclose a Memorandum shewing the actual charges of 1861-62* and the estimated charges of that, and the succeeding year, on account of Travellers' Bungalows, from which it will be seen that the Actual of 1861-62 amounts to only Rupees 26,620 exclusive of arrears† appertaining to 1860-61. The estimated amount for 1861-62 was Rupees 35,336, being Rupees 8,756 above the Actual. The Estimate for 1862-63‡ is higher again by Rupees 5,219, as compared with the Estimate of 1861-62. The Actual§ charges including arrears for 1860-61 and 1861-62, were nearly the same, and the provision made under this head for 1862-63 appears to me sufficiently high to meet the cost of the Establishment at Cochrane's Canal.

No. 44. ORDER THEREON, 13th May 1862, No. 357.

The suggestion submitted in the foregoing letter will be considered in the Public Works Department, in reference to the Proceedings in that Department, dated 5th February last No. 133.

(Signed) A. J. RBUTHNOT,
Acting Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

No 8

Post Saint George 34.

Accountant Genl's Office

6th May 1862.

From

J. Lushington, Esq.

Acting Accountant General

To

A. J. Arbutnot, Esq.

Acting Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

I have the honor to state that a sum of

Rupies 2094 as per margin, was provided in the

Superintendent - 1260

Establishment - 480

Servants - 264

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Contingencies. 40

Budget Estimate for 1862/63 of the

Collector of Belladras under the head

"2. Sayer" minor head Cochranes Canal;

being the cost of that Establishment.

The receipts and charges on the above

account hitherto appeared under Land Revenue

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ceived from the Auditor General of India, the

receipts from tolls levied at the Canal were ordered

to be credited to XIII Public Works, and it follows

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2. The amount being small, it can be met under orders of Government from the savings expected under the Budget head E. works of internal improvement &c. under which the provision made for charges on account of Travellers' bungalows, Native Chauttries, &c. is in

in excess by Rupees 5,219 as remarked by Government in para 3 of their Proceedings in the Public Works Department dated 5th February last 1833, a spare copy of which is enclosed for ready reference.

3. I enclose a Memo showing the actual charges of 1861/62 and the estimated charges of that, and the succeeding, year. Actual of 11 months Rs 24,402 Estimate for 12 months $\frac{2218}{26620}$ on account of Travellers' bungalows, from which it will be seen that the Actual of 1861/62 amounts to only Rupees 26620 exclusive of arrears appertaining to 1860/61. The estimated amount for 1861/62 was Rupees 35,236, being Rupees 8736 above the actual. The Estimate for 1862/63 is higher again by Rupees 5,219, as compared with the Estimate of 1861/62. The actual charges including arrears for 1860/61 and 1861/62 were nearly the same, and the provision made under this head for 1862/63 appears to me sufficiently high to meet the cost of the establishment of Cochran's Canal.

I have the honor to be
Sir,

Your most obedient servant

P. J. A. Smith
Acting Accountant General

