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Government of Madras.

Financial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
20th May 1862.*

No. 91. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Revenue Department, dated 10th May 1862, No. 1,038.

Referring Mr. E. Underwood, in regard to his
claim to compensation for the withdrawal of
the commission on the arrack supplied to
Government, to the Order of Government
passed on the subject No. 512 dated 29th
May 1857. } (Vide Proceedings Revenue Department dated
10th May 1862, Nos. 219 and 220)

No. 92. ORDER THEREON, 20th May 1862, No. 383.

To be recorded.

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

Nov: 11 April 1862 No 276

Copy of 28 May

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Pro: of Govt in the
Rev: 21 1838.

28th 10th 13th May 1862.

31st January

No 392

Referring to 28. Nov.
Received, in regard to the
claim to purchase
for the withdrawal of the
Commission on the land
supplied to Govt to the order
of Govt placed on the subject
No 512 of 29 May 1857.
No 383-20 May 1862
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No. 383

Proceedings of the Madras Government

22nd May 1862

Recording, correspondence in regard to Mr. Underwood's claim to compensation for the withdrawal of the Commission on the Arrack supplied by Government.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Financial Department:—

Passing orders on certain paragraphs of Mr. E. Underwood's letter, claiming a refund of the amount standing at his credit as a Subscriber to the Civil Service Annuity Fund of 1825, at the time of his retirement, in excess of the then half value of his Annuity, and referring to the Revenue Department certain paragraphs of the same letter regarding Mr. Underwood's claim to compensation for the withdrawal of the commission on the Arrack supplied to Government. (Here enter 11th April 1862, No. 276.)

ORDER THEREON, 10th May 1862, No. 1,038.

1. The parts of Mr. Underwood's letter forwarded with the foregoing Proceedings on which orders are called for in this Department are paragraphs 9 to 19.

2. In 1844, the Government thought fit to exempt Arrack purchased by the Commissariat on the public account from all duty in excess of 8 per cent. Mr. Underwood in paragraphs 9 to 16 maintains that this order is illegal, and claims commission on the Arrack at the full contract rate of duty, and on all other public Stores imported free of duty. The question, after full consideration, was decided against Mr. Underwood in 1857; and the Government resolve to refer that gentleman to the order passed on the subject, dated 29th May of that year, No. 512.

3. In paragraphs 17 to 19, Mr. Underwood reiterates the claim which was advanced by him in 1860 to the difference between the sum at which the commission on the Customs Revenue was commuted in 1857 and the amount which he would have received under the former system. This claim was on two occasions submitted to the Secretary of State and negatived by him in Despatches, dated 15th June and 24th July 1860, Nos. 37 and 47, copies of which were duly furnished to Mr. Underwood. The Government cannot take further steps in the matter.

4. The Government have only to add that even if they had seen cause to make any further representation to Her Majesty's Secretary of State on the subject of Mr. Underwood's claim, the highly improper insinuation in paragraph 21 of Mr. Underwood's letter would have rendered it impossible for them to do so.

(True Extract.)

J. Blum

Secretary to Government.

To W. E. Underwood, Esq., } with Proceedings Financial Department, No. 276.
To the Board of Revenue.
,, Financial Department.

Exd. T. McMootry.