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8th January 1864.

No. 21. Read the following letter from E. H. LUSHINGTON, Esq , Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department ; to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated Fort William, Council Chamber, the 14th December 1863, No. 6312.

Financial Department.

In reply to your letter, No. 729, dated 14th November 1863, I am directed to transmit copy of a letter from the Accountant General to the Government of India, No. 958, dated 8th December 1863, stating that the Bank of Bengal has taken over the whole of the duties hitherto performed by the Government Savings' Bank.

2. The recent frauds in the Government Savings' Bank, Fort Saint George, revealed, as an inherent defect of the existing arrangement, that there is no external check upon the Savings' Bank, amounting to a security that all sums received from depositors will be immediately brought to credit in the accounts. This (rather than economy), and the policy of dispensing with all establishments, whose work can be unobjectionably transferred to the Bank, were the main reasons for the transfer of the duties of the Government Savings' Bank, Calcutta, to the Bank of Bengal, as is evidenced by the grant to the Bank of nearly the entire monthlycost of the Savings' Bank Establishment.

A copy to the Government of Bombay, in continuation of letter, No. 4998, dated 5th October 1863.

From J. L. LUSHINGTON, Esq., Officiating Accountant General to the Government of India; to the Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, dated the 8th December 1863, No. 958.

With reference to your docket, No. 5898, dated 28th ultimo, I have the honor to report that the whole of the duties, including correspondence with Collectors and Paymasters, hitherto performed by the Government Savings' Bank, are now performed by the Bank of Bengal. The remuneration as per margin is nearly the amount of the establishment formerly allowed to the Savings' Bank, whilst under charge of Government, exclusive of bare disbursements for papers, &c., and the remainder is reserved as a provision for the expense of auditing the accounts of the Savings' Bank.

Monthly charge of the Savings' Bank Establishment	Rs.	827	8 0
Allowance to the Bank	,,	750	0 0
Remainder Rupees		77	8 0

(A true Copy.)

(Signed) J. E. COOKE,
Asst. Secy. to the Government of India.

No. 22. ORDER THEREON, 8th January 1864, No. 14.

Ordered that the foregoing letter and its enclosure be communicated to the Directors of the Government Savings' Bank, with reference to their Secretary's letter of the 5th November last, No. 697. The Directors will now furnish the report called for under date the 30th October last, after communicating with the Bank of Madras on the subject. They will observe that the Bank of Bengal has undertaken the whole of the duties hitherto performed by the Government Savings' Bank at Calcutta, receiving in remuneration nearly the entire monthly cost of the establishment ; a small portion being reserved to meet the expense of auditing the accounts of the Savings' Bank. A similar arrangement may be made with the Bank of Madras.

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

Exd. J. Tulloch.

From E. H. LUSHINGTON, Esquire,

Secretary to the Government of India,

Financial Department;

To the Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George.

Fort William, Council Chamber, the 14th December 1863.

Financial Department.

Sir,

In reply to your letter, No. 729, dated 14th November 1863, I am directed to transmit copy of a letter from the Accountant General to the Government of India, No. 958, dated 8th December 1863, stating that the Bank of Bengal has taken over the whole of the duties hitherto performed by the Government Savings Bank.

2. The recent frauds in the Government Savings Bank, Fort Saint George, revealed, as an inherent defect of the existing arrangement, that there is no external check upon the Savings Bank, amounting to a security that all sums received from depositors will be immediately brought to credit in the Accounts. This, (rather than economy) and the policy of dispensing with all Establishments whose work can be unobjectionably transferred to the Bank, were the main reasons for the transfer of the duties of the Government Savings Bank, Calcutta, to the Bank of Bengal, as is evidenced by the grant to the Bank of nearly the entire monthly cost of the Savings Bank Establishment.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

E. H. Lushington

Secretary to the Government of India.

A copy to the Government of Bombay, in continuation of letter, No. 4998, dated 5th October 1863.

[Exd. S. C. Roy.]

No. 958.

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To

The Secretary to the Government of India

Financial Department

Sir,

With reference to your docket. No. 5898, dated 28th ultimo, I have the honor to report that the whole of the duties, including correspondence with Collectors and Pay Masters, hitherto performed by the Government Savings Bank, are now performed by the Bank of Bengal. The remuneration as per margin* is nearly the amount of the Establishment formerly allowed to the Savings Bank, whilst under charge of Government, exclusive of bare disbursements for papers, &c., and the remainder is reserved as a provision for the expense of auditing the accounts of the Savings Bank.

Allowance to Mon'ble Sir Charles Trevelyan, Bart. K.C.B.	1,875	8	0
Ditto to Babu Kissory Chand Mitter	750	0	0
Remainder	77	8	0

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
(Sd) J. L. Lushington,
Offg. Accountant General to the
Govt. of India.

Acct. Genl's Office,
Treasury Department,
the 8th December 63.

(A true Copy)

W. Cocke
Asst. Secy to the Govt. of India.

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To the 1863 Dy Nos

From
The Secretary to Govt
of India
P.C. 6312

Dated 14th Dec. 1863
Rec'd 31st Dec. 1863

1 Enclosure 2 Short Office
No 1863

Communicates
observations on the pro-
posal to transfer the
Govt Savings Bank business
to the Bank of Madras.

With the Order

No
Communicated to the
Secretary to the Government
Savings Bank with re-
ference to his letter dated
5th November last - No 6197.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government.

Read letter from the Secretary to the Govt. of India.

Dated 14th Decr. 1863 No. 6312

8th January 1864 No. 14.

Ordered that the foregoing letter & its enclosure be communicated to the Directors of the Government Savings Bank with reference to their Secretary's letter of the 5th November last No 699. The Directors will now furnish the report called for under date the 30th October last, after communicating with the Bank of Madras on the subject. They will observe that the Bank of Bengal has

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From Secy. Govt. Fort St. Geo.
No 6312
Dated 14th Dec. 1863
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Communicates the Resolution of the Govt. on the Report of the Trustees of the Savings Bank Branches, & the Bank of Madras.

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To the Directors of the
Govt: Savings' Bank
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Dy. 8th January 1864.—

Referring to a communication from the Govt of India the Directors requested to furnish the report respecting the transfer of the Bank duties to the Madras Bank.

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