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21st September 1867.

No. 42. Read the following letter from the Mint Master, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George ; dated 18th September 1867, No. 293.

In forwarding to you, for transmission to the Home Government, in ordinary course the Packing account for Mint Stores received per Ship *Roxburgh Castle*, in which certain deficiencies in the stores are noticed, I have the honor to report that, in consequence of deficiencies having been discovered on several occasions in the course of the last few months, particularly in the shipments of slip copper for coinage, I was even more than usually careful on this occasion in attending to the examination of the cases, as required by the Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, No. 7, 15th February, and Order of Government, Public Works Department, No. 1255, 27th April 1867, and the enclosed Statement exhibits, *first*, the weight of each, of 188 cases of copper, as marked on them in London ; *secondly*, as found on receipt into the Mint in good order before being opened ; *thirdly*, of the contents after being opened ; and, *lastly*, of the deficiency of copper in number of slips and weight. All the weighments were carefully taken in the presence of a Committee composed of—

The Superintendent, Silver Laminating Room ;
The Superintendent, Melting Department ;
The Store-keeper ;

thoroughly trustworthy men of experience.

2. The result was a deficiency of slips of copper in 11 cases out of 188, aggregating in number 34, in weight 171½lbs., and value in London £6-7-9½ ; and it is a very significant circumstance that slip copper being packed in bundles of 20 slips each, and six bundles in a box, in every case where there was a deficiency the copper wires tying each bundle had been cut, and very rarely are the wires found to have sustained any injury in the boxes whose contents are complete, though occasionally one or two out of three are found to have burst, or come untwisted.

No. 43. ORDER THEREON, 21st September 1867, No. 430.

Ordered that a copy of this letter, together with the Packing account and Statement received with it, be forwarded to the Secretary of State.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Mint Master.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

No. 293 18th September 1867.

From

Colonel J. Carpendale R.E.

Mint Master.

To

The Chief Secretary

to Government

Sir,

Para 1. In forwarding to you for transmission, to the Home Government in ordinary Course, the packing Account for Mint Stores received per ship "Roxburgh Castle" in which certain deficiencies in the stores are noticed, I have the honor to report that in consequence of deficiencies having been discovered on several occasions in the course of the last few months, particularly in the shipments of slip Copper for Coinage, I was even more than usually careful on this occasion in attending to the examination of the Cases as required by the Despatch from the Right Hon^ble the Secretary of State for India No. 7 15th February, and Order of Government P.W.D. No. 1255 27th April 1867, and the enclosed Statement exhibits first, the weight of each of 188 Cases of Copper as Marked

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on them in London, Secondly, as found on receipt into the Mint in good order before being opened, thirdly, of the Contents after being opened, and lastly of the deficiency of Copper in Number of Slips and Weight. All the weighments were carefully taken in the presence of a Committee composed of-

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The Store Keeper.

thoroughly trust-worthy men of experience!

2. The result was a deficiency of- slips of Copper in 11 Cases out of 188 aggregating in Number 34, in Weight 17 1/2 lbs, and Value in London 6 £. 7s 9½d. And it is a very significant circumstance that slip Copper being packed in bundles of 20 slips each, and six bundles in a box, in every case where there was a deficiency, the Copper wires tying each bundle had been cut, and very rarely are the wires found to have sustained any injury in the boxes whose contents are complete, though occasionally one or two out of three are found to have burst or come untwisted.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
H Archibald
Mint Master

Rec'd 6th May 67 38-39 Pd
11 Apl 67 57-52 Pd
7 May 67 66-67

Sent up 8 Oct.

2nd Sept. 1867 No. 436.
Returns that a Chest
Letter, by this with the following
account & Statement received
with it, is forwarded to the Secy
of State.

Fin. Dept. 21 Sept. 430
1867.

From
The Comptroller

To The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort St. George

Dated 18th Sept. 1867.
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No. 293

With two Enclosures.

No 435

Forwards for transmission
to the Home Govt. the Packing
Account of Comp Stores received
per ship "Roxburgh Castle" together
with a Statement shewing the
weight of 188 Cases of Copper slips
and deficiencies noticed.

Fin. Letter to England dy
30th Sept. No. 18 of 1867.
with two Original Encls.

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