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No. 17. Read the following letter from J. MACKEY, Esq., Acting First Assistant Accountant General, to the Accountant General; dated Fort Saint George, 23rd April 1868.

I have the honor to inform you that the fourth quarterly examination, for the year 1867-68, of the Mint Store Accounts has just been completed by me; the results of this and the three previous quarterly examinations will be summed up in the following observations.

2. The monthly receipts and issues of stores have been carefully verified, and every voucher for stores issued has been examined and found to correspond with the quantities written off the Store Account book; the balance of stock has also been tested by a scrutiny of the actual quantity in hand, taken at hazard here and there, and found to correspond with the record. The value of stores on 31st March 1867 is Rupees 1,76,055-15-10—vide detailed list enclosed, marked A.

3. The value of the following Miscellaneous Invoices received during the year under review have been correctly brought to account, viz.:—

| Ships' Names. | Nature of Goods. | Invoice value. | | | Freight and other charges paid in India. | | | Remarks. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Rs. | A. | P. | Rs. | A. | P. | |
| Hurkara | Iron and Steel | 5,142 | 0 | 8 | 213 | 10 | 8 | 7 lbs. Steel short delivered. |
| Hindostan | Glass tubing | 26 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 8 | 0 | |
| Roxburgh Castle | Files | 697 | 12 | 0 | 24 | 10 | 0 | 55 Files in excess. |
| Malabar | Files and steel rollers | 2,252 | 1 | 4 | 9 | 12 | 0 | |
| Belvidera | Iron | 104 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 0 | |
| Sir Robert Seppings | Zinc sheets | 145 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 12 | 0 | |
| Jessie Isabel | Scales, files, and leather belting | 481 | 12 | 0 | 5 | 12 | 8 | |
| John Allen | Cast-steel and plumbago crucibles | ..... | ... | ... | 45 | 8 | 8 | Value of the crucibles not stated. |
| Roxburgh Castle | Files | 7 | 10 | 3 | ... | ... | ... | Additional invoice for the 55 files in excess. |
| | Total... | 8,856 | 6 | 3 | 317 | 10 | 0 | |

4. In addition to miscellaneous stores received from England, there have been seven shipments of copper slips, which have proved on examination to be deficient in every shipment. The particulars are as under:—

| Ships' Names. | Nature of Goods. | Invoice value. | | | Freight and other charges paid in India. | | | Written off the accounts under G. O., No., and date. | Value of deficiency written off to debit of 13, Mint. | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Rs. | A. | P. | Rs. | A. | P. | 1867. | Rs. | A. | P. |
| Dewa Gungadhur | Copper slips | 45,031 | 9 | 4 | 848 | 11 | 5 | 334, 22nd July. | 20 | 15 | 2 |
| Hindostan | do. | 91,683 | 9 | 4 | 1,711 | 11 | 1 | 377, 13th Aug. | 47 | 0 | 4 |
| General Caulfield | do. | 46,089 | 10 | 8 | 789 | 8 | 10 | 360, 6th Aug. | 59 | 10 | 10 |
| Roxburgh Castle | do. | 43,459 | 10 | 8 | 1,380 | 14 | 9 | 455, 8th Oct. | 68 | 6 | 6 |
| Cornwallis | do. | 44,224 | 1 | 4 | 869 | 4 | 3 | 513, 16th Nov. | 44 | 4 | 5 |
| Belvidera | do. | 43,633 | 9 | 4 | 818 | 4 | 7 | 522, 25th Nov. | 35 | 6 | 7 |
| | | | | | | | | 1868. | | | |
| Sir Robert Seppings | do. | 43,768 | 2 | 0 | 977 | 1 | 3 | 31, 22nd Jan. | 115 | 1 | 0 |
| | Total... | 3,57,890 | 4 | 8 | 7,395 | 8 | 2 | | 390 | 12 | 10 |

5. The deficiencies above alluded to have all been duly reported to the local Government, and the value, under their orders, written off the accounts. The Secretary of State has also been communicated with, as to the mode of adjusting these losses, but from his letter* to the Madras Government, no adjustment is to be made, as the English contractors cannot be made responsible for short deliveries, on the ground that they deliver goods *unpacked*, which after examination are packed by Government Officers; glass alone forming an exception to this rule. Deficiencies are to be considered as part of the cost of transit to Madras. Under this ruling (by the Secretary of State) the full Invoice value has been audited to Account Current with London, and the value of the deficit written off to debit of Mint. From the commencement of the current official year, no adjustments† for the value of Invoices received from the Secretary of State will appear in the accounts, only such charges as are actually incurred in India will be debited, viz., the balance of one-third freight payable on delivery, boat and landing charges, &c. Under the former system, Account Current with London was credited with the value of goods received, which head is closed annually by an entry "to" or "by Government," as the case may be. The value of copper for coinage, now treated as bullion in the Mint accounts, will also, under the same instructions, be written off the accounts; when, however, the same is actually coined, its value will then be credited in account.

* No. 142, dated 31st December 1867, communicated with Madras G. O., No. 58 of 3rd February 1868.

† Vide your letter, No. 6255, dated 20th February 1868, to the Mint Master, based on instructions received from the Controller, conveyed in his letter, No. 1150, dated 8th February 1868.

6. The amount received from the public for articles manufactured during the year I find to be Rupees 12,549-5-2, which shows a monthly average of Rupees 1045-12-5. This includes the value of unserviceable materials sold. The following articles have been made up :—

Steel Stamps.
" Monograms.
" Keys.
" Knives, new spring to bit stirrup mended.
Brass Stamps.
" Badge.
" Seal.
" Devices and buttons.
" Gong.
" Plate, with raised letters.
" Signature stamp.
" Hand stamps.
" Scale.
" Tola weights.
Iron Pulleys.
" Cash-chest.
" Trellis.
" Tomb railings.
" Weights and measures.
" Castings.
" Tube.
" Ladder wheels.
" Posts and rails.
" Brackets.
Silver medals.
" Seals.
" Spoons (2).
" Buckles (2).
" Band.
" Mounting to cane.
Gold medal.
Copper spoons (2).
Tin cooking apparatus.
Repairing a pump.
Engraving a collar plate.
Repairing a stove.
Tin tickets punched.
Chaff cutter.
Flower stand.
Teakwood box.
Fan.
Bird cage.
One bell.
Wheel-barrow.
Repairing bear pit.
Squirrels' cage, (for People's Park).
Wooden rat trap.
Children's swing.

7. The stock of bullion in the Mint on 31st March was as follows :—

| | Rs. | A. | P. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Gold... ... ... ... | 11 | 4 | 0 |
| 2. Silver... ... ... ... | 49,678 | 9 | 11 |
| 3. Copper for coinage... ... ... | 11,79,565 | 4 | 3 |
| | 12,29,255 | 2 | 2 |



The 3rd item will not appear in future accounts, as explained in paragraph 5 above; copper will only be treated as bullion in future after coinage.

8. The stock of silver is low at present, only Rupees 49,678-9-11. The following figures show the monthly silver balances during the past twelve months, which show an average monthly stock of Rupees 94,893-15-9 :—

| 1867. | Rs. | A. | P. | 1867. | Rs. | A. | P. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| April..... | 89,594 | 11 | 8 | October..... | 97,980 | 0 | 7 |
| May..... | 1,89,748 | 9 | 11 | November..... | 69,104 | 4 | 3 |
| June..... ..... | 1,35,941 | 8 | 11 | December..... | 69,566 | 0 | 6 |
| July. ..... ..... | 1,13,921 | 13 | 3 | 1868. | | | |
| August..... | 84,202 | 13 | 3 | January..... | 80,608 | 2 | 5 |
| September..... | 65,967 | 15 | 10 | February..... | 92,413 | 2 | 8 |
| | | | | March..... | 49,678 | 9 | 11 |

9. The silver coined at the Mint during the year has been small, owing to the very limited quantity of bullion received; the opening bullion balance on 1st April 1867 was Rs. 1,38,368-13-4, and the receipts as under, viz. :—

| | Rs. | A. | P. | Rs. | A. | P. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| From Merchants... ... ... | 1,48,120 | 3 | 8 | | | |
| Petty receipts from other sources... ... | 198 | 1 | 4 | | | |
| Uncurrent coins... ... ... | 1,10,856 | 2 | 7 | | | |
| | | | | 2,59,174 | 7 | 7 |
| | | | | 3,97,543 | 4 | 11 |

while the silver coined amounted to Rupees 3,47,733-1-0, the seigniorage on which amounted to (including refinage charge) Rupees 3,117-11-11. The Mint, I understand, can with ease coin seventy to eighty thousand rupees daily, during ordinary working hours. The amount coined could, therefore, have been completed in from four to five days. Unless larger importations of bullion are received in Madras, the full working power of this important department will continue undeveloped.

10. By gain on the sale of copper scissel Rupees 5,997-7-8 has been realized.

11. In conclusion, I have to report that the Mint accounts are well kept, both in the Account and Store Departments, and thanking Colonel Carpendale and his subordinates for their courtesy and assistance.

A.

Particulars of the balance of Stores remaining in the Mint on the 31st March 1868.

| Quantity or Number. | | Description of Articles. | Value. | | | Remarks. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | RS. | A. | P. | |
| 8 | No. | Adzes, Iron, Carpenter's | 10 | 12 | 8 | |
| 5 | ,, | Anvils, do. Smith's | 282 | 8 | 6 | |
| 17 | ,, | Augers, Carpenter's | 26 | 9 | 6 | |
| 5 | ,, | Axes, Hand | 6 | 1 | 11 | |
| 12 | ,, | Do. Pick | 20 | 0 | 0 | |
| 1760½ | lbs. | Acid, Sulphuric | 275 | 1 | 3 | |
| 604 | ,, | Do. Nitric | 453 | 0 | 0 | |
| 66⅔ | ,, | Do. Muriatic | 49 | 9 | 6 | |
| 80½ | ,, | Barrels, Copper | 38 | 15 | 8 | |
| 39 | No. | Do. Core | 309 | 3 | 5 | |
| 2 | Pairs. | Bellows, Hand | 5 | 13 | 5 | |
| 23 | ,, | Do. Forge | 1,124 | 10 | 0 | |
| 1623 | Feet. | Belting Leather, Single | 469 | 10 | 1 | |
| 240 | ,, | Do. do. Double | 393 | 8 | 5 | |
| 94 | No. | Blades, Bow, Saw, Spare | 31 | 8 | 0 | |
| 2 | ,, | Bottles, Specific gravity | 17 | 0 | 7 | |
| 3 | Sets. | Braces, Carpenter's, with Bits | 27 | 8 | 0 | |
| 2 | No. | Do. Ratchet | 30 | 11 | 4 | |
| 71 | ,, | Brushes, Scratch | 57 | 8 | 6 | |
| 8560 | ,, | Bricks, Fire, Compass | 512 | 13 | 6 | |
| 13 | Casks. | Cement | 168 | 12 | 1 | |
| 956⅝ | lbs. | Chaplets, Iron Moulder's | 154 | 12 | 1 | |
| 86 | No. | Chisels, Carpenter's | 47 | 3 | 8 | |
| 732¾ | Feet. | Coth Brass wire | 1,019 | 1 | 9 | |
| 6 | Pairs. | Compasses, Iron | 24 | 4 | 0 | |
| 8 | No. | Condensers, Liebig's, with Stands | 208 | 2 | 5 | |
| 1,039,280 | lbs. | Coke | 11,354 | 13 | 8 | |
| 136 | No. | Crucibles, Blacklead, Europe | 434 | 7 | 8 | |
| 36 | ,, | Covers for do. do. | 85 | 3 | 7 | |
| 1308 | lbs. | Copper Shot | 776 | 6 | 10 | |
| 129,665 | ,, | Do. Sheet | 58,460 | 5 | 3 | |
| 36 | ,, | Do. Bolt | 20 | 4 | 0 | |
| 2025 | ,, | Do. Uncurrent Coins in Ingots | 858 | 9 | 8 | |
| 2 | No. | Dials, Gauge, Steam pressure | 85 | 12 | 0 | |
| 23 | ,, | Dishes, Evaporating | 290 | 7 | 11 | |
| 321⅚ | Dozs. | Files of sizes | 1,999 | 11 | 11 | |
| 1291 | lbs. | Flux, Black | 881 | 5 | 6 | |
| 6 | No. | Funnels, Glass | 5 | 2 | 8 | |
| 4 | ,, | Glasses, Magnifying | 5 | 11 | 4 | |
| 47 | ,, | Do. Parting | 39 | 9 | 1 | |
| 9 | lbs. | Do. Tubing | 25 | 9 | 4 | |
| 6 | No. | Do. do. | 11 | 6 | 8 | |
| 47 | ,, | Gauges, Carpenter's | 30 | 5 | 4 | |
| 37,756 | lbs. | Guns, Shots, &c., Iron, old | 337 | 1 | 10 | |
| 9 | ,, | Gunpowder | 2 | 8 | 6 | |
| 4 | No. | Hammers, Sledge | 8 | 9 | 4 | |
| 15 | ,, | Do. Wrench | 55 | 8 | 0 | |
| 2 | Sets. | Hydrometers and Thermometers | 91 | 14 | 10 | |
| 655,708½ | lbs. | Iron | 33,062 | 14 | 1 | |
| 46 | No. | Irons, Plane | 27 | 6 | 10 | |
| 9 | ,, | Jugs for Acid | 11 | 4 | 5 | |
| 13 | ,, | Ladles for do. | 10 | 6 | 3 | |
| 14,310 1/16 | lbs. | Lead, Pig | 1,489 | 1 | 4 | |
| 12,505 | ,, | Do. Sheet | 1,724 | 3 | 10 | |
| 5 | No. | Levels, Spirit | 59 | 9 | 1 | |
| 24,180 | lbs. | Litharge | 2,817 | 13 | 1 | |
| 2 | Sets. | Measures, Gallon, Imperial, 7 per set. | 71 | 5 | 6 | |



Particulars of the balance of Stores remaining in the Mint, on the 31st March 1868.—(*Concluded*).

| Quantity or Number. | | Description of Articles. | Value. | | | Remarks. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | RS. | A. | P. | |
| 1 | No. | Measures, Tape 100 feet | 4 | 6 | 6 | |
| 1000 | lbs. | Nails, Cast-Iron | 133 | 3 | 6 | |
| 23 | No. | Padlocks, Brass | 176 | 9 | 3 | |
| 29 | ,, | Do. Iron | 69 | 4 | 10 | |
| 10 | ,, | Pincers, Carpenter's | 9 | 3 | 2 | |
| 53 | ,, | Planes, do. | 110 | 5 | 10 | |
| 21 | ,, | Plates, Boiler, Copper | 2,670 | 15 | 1 | |
| 12,915 | lbs. | Do. Iron | 1,598 | 11 | 3 | |
| 9 | No. | Do. Screw | 57 | 13 | 5 | |
| 17 | ,, | Pliers | 25 | 7 | 11 | |
| 6 | ,, | Pots, Annealing, Cast-iron (without the copper vessels) | 22 | 11 | 0 | |
| | | Do., Glue, Copper | 2 | 13 | 8 | |
| 1 | ,, | Rasps | 4 | 11 | 4 | |
| 10 | ,, | Retorts, Glass, Tubulated | 29 | 4 | 3 | |
| 9 | ,, | Riddles, Iron | 51 | 0 | 7 | |
| 31 | ,, | Rollers, Steel, Laminating | 2,702 | 10 | 11 | |
| 13 | Pairs. | Do. do. | 2,234 | 10 | 0 | |
| 2 | ,, | Rope, Europe | 63 | 13 | 6 | |
| 185⅔ | Yards. | Do. Manilla | 276 | 15 | 7 | |
| 181⅚ | Fathoms. | Rules, Carpenter's | 21 | 8 | 7 | |
| 12 | No. | Saws do. | 54 | 4 | 2 | |
| 30 | ,, | Scales, Brass | 295 | 8 | 3 | |
| 29 | ,, | Do. Copper | 353 | 6 | 6 | |
| 5 | ,, | Screws, Iron | 19 | 5 | 10 | |
| 203⅛ | Dozs. | Sieves, Brass-wire | 116 | 8 | 10 | |
| 37 | No. | Squares, Steel, Carpenter's | 3 | 1 | 4 | |
| 2 | ,, | Stones, Grinding | 177 | 14 | 0 | |
| 8 | ,, | Do. Oil, Turkey | 76 | 6 | 8 | |
| 28 | ,, | Sprigs, Iron Moulder's | 149 | 12 | 11 | |
| 2066 | lbs. | Steel | 37,837 | 5 | 11 | |
| 137,851 2/32 | ,, | Shovels, Iron | 9 | 13 | 6 | |
| 9 | No. | Saltpetre, refined | 222 | 0 | 6 | |
| 1421 | lbs. | Tacks, Iron | 5 | 9 | 4 | |
| 7½ | ,, | Tin | 1,820 | 10 | 7 | |
| 3499½ | ,, | Tongs, Jeweller's, Sliding | 15 | 4 | 0 | |
| 8 | No. | Tools, Surface Plate | 33 | 6 | 1 | |
| 3 | ,, | Do. Model Maker's | 171 | 1 | 4 | |
| 2 | Sets. | Do. Engraver's | 3 | 13 | 4 | |
| 1 | ,, | Varnish, Copal | 8 | 10 | 5 | |
| 11/20 | Galls. | Vices | 573 | 15 | 5 | |
| 49 | No. | Zinc, Cakes | 392 | 11 | 4 | |
| 3165¾ | lbs. | Do. Sheets | 153 | 11 | 6 | |
| 1150 | ,, | Do. do. | 1,119 | 15 | 0 | |
| 297 | No. | Total | 1,74,780 | 6 | 6 | |
| | | Files of sizes per *Clive* | ..... | ... | ... | Price not stated in the Invoice. |
| 79 | ,, | Crucibles, Plumbago, per *John Allen* | ..... | ... | ... | Do. |
| 44 | ,, | do. | 1,275 | 9 | 4 | Value will be adjusted after price of the Crucibles are known. |
| 3339 | lbs. | Steel, Cast | | | | |

(Signed) J. CARPENDALE,
*Mint Master.*

16*th April* 1868.

Forwarded to the Chief Secretary to Government, with reference to the Orders of the Government of India, Financial Department, No. 2462, dated 20th September 1865.

(Signed) F. LUSHINGTON,
*Accountant General.*

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No. 18. ORDER THEREON, 13th May 1868, No. 234.

To be recorded.

(True Extract).

R. S. ELLIS,
*Chief Secretary.*

A

Particulars of the Balance of Stores Remaining in the Mint on the 31st March 1868.

| Quantity or Number | | Description of Articles. | Value £ | s | d | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 6 | No. | Adzes Iron Carpenters | 10 | 12 | 6 | |
| 5 | " | Anvils do Smiths | 282 | 8 | 6 | |
| 17 | " | Augers Carpenters | 26 | 9 | 6 | |
| 5 | " | Axes hand | 6 | 1 | 11 | |
| 12 | | do pick | 20 | " | " | |
| 1760½ | lbs | Acid Sulphuric | 275 | 1 | 3 | |
| 604 | " | do Nitric | 453 | " | " | |
| 68⅞ | " | do Muriatic | 49 | 9 | 6 | |
| 80½ | " | Barrels Copper | 38 | 15 | 6 | |
| 39 | No | do Core | 309 | 3 | 5 | |
| 2 | Pairs | Bellows hand | 5 | 13 | 5 | |
| 23 | " | do Forge | 112 | 10 | " | |
| 1623 | Feet | Belting Leather Single | 469 | 10 | 1 | |
| 240 | " | do double | 73 | 9 | 5 | |
| 94 | No | Blades Bow Saw Spare | 31 | 8 | " | |
| 2 | " | Bottles Specific Gravity | 17 | " | 7 | |
| 3 | Sets | Braces Carpenters with bits | 27 | 8 | " | |
| 2 | No | do Ratchet | 30 | 11 | 4 | |
| 71 | " | Brushes Scratch | 57 | 8 | 6 | |
| 8560 | " | Bricks Fire Compass | 512 | 13 | 6 | |
| 13 | casks | Cement | 168 | 12 | 1 | |
| 9568 | lbs | Chaplets iron Moulders | 154 | 12 | 1 | |
| 86 | No | Chisels Carpenters | 47 | 3 | 8 | |
| 1323¾ | Feet | Cloth Brass wire | 10 | 19 | 1 | 9 |
| 6 | Pairs | Compasses Iron | 24 | 4 | " | |
| 8 | No | Condensers Liebigs with Stands | 208 | 2 | 5 | |
| 1039280 | lbs | Coke | 1135 | 4 | 13 | 8 |
| 136 | No | Crucibles Blacklead Europe | 43 | 4 | 7 | |
| 36 | " | Covers for do do | 8 | 5 | 7 | |
| 1308 | lbs | Copper Shot | 176 | 6 | 10 | |
| 129665 | " | do Sheet | 5846 | 0 | 5 | 3 |
| 36 | " | do Bolt | 20 | 4 | " | |
| 2025 | " | do Uncurrent Coins in Ingots | 666 | 9 | 8 | |

Carried Forward— 17755 " 11

| Quantity or Number | | Description of Articles. | Value | | | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | Rs. | as. | p. | |
| | | Brought Forward | 7755 | 0 | 11 | |
| 2 | No. | Dials Gauge Steam pressure | 85 | 12 | 0 | |
| 23 | " | Dishes evaporating | 290 | 7 | 11 | |
| 321 5/8 | Dozs. | Files & Sizes | 1999 | 11 | 11 | |
| 1291 | lbs | Flux Black | 881 | 5 | 6 | |
| 6 | No. | Funnels Glass | 5 | 2 | 8 | |
| 4 | " | Glass Magnifying | 5 | 11 | 4 | |
| 47 | " | do Pattern | 39 | 9 | 1 | |
| 9 | lbs | do tubing | 25 | 9 | 4 | |
| 6 | No. | do do | 11 | 6 | 8 | |
| 47 | " | Gouges Carpenters | 30 | 5 | 4 | |
| 3756 | lbs | Guns Shots &c. Iron old | 337 | 1 | 10 | |
| 9 | " | Gun powder | 2 | 8 | 6 | |
| 4 | No. | Hammers Sledge | 8 | 9 | 4 | |
| 15 | " | do wrench | 55 | 8 | 0 | |
| 2 | Sets | Hydrometers and Thermometers | 91 | 14 | 10 | |
| 6557 1/2 | lbs | Iron | 33062 | 14 | 1 | |
| 46 | No. | Irons plane | 27 | 6 | 10 | |
| 9 | " | Jugs for Acid | 11 | 4 | 5 | |
| 13 | " | Ladles for do | 10 | 6 | 3 | |
| 14310 | lbs | Lead Pig | 1160 | 1 | 1 | |
| 12505 | " | do Sheet | 1724 | 3 | 10 | |
| 5 | No. | Levels Spirit | 59 | 9 | 1 | |
| 24180 | lbs | Litharge | 2847 | 13 | 1 | |
| 2 | Sets | Measures Gallon imperial 7 per set | 71 | 5 | 6 | |
| 1 | No. | do tape 100 feet | 4 | 6 | 6 | |
| 1000 | lbs | Nails Cast iron | 132 | 3 | 6 | |
| 23 | No. | Padlocks Brass | 176 | 9 | 3 | |
| 29 | " | do Iron | 69 | 4 | 10 | |
| 10 | " | Pincers Carpenters | 9 | 3 | 2 | |
| 53 | " | Planes do | 110 | 5 | 10 | |
| 21 | " | Plates boiler Copper | 2670 | 15 | 1 | |
| 12915 | lbs | do Iron | 1598 | 11 | 3 | |
| 9 | No. | do Screw | 57 | 13 | 5 | |
| 7 | " | Pliers | 25 | 7 | 11 | |
| 6 | " | Pots annealing Cast iron (without the Copper Pipes) | 22 | 11 | 0 | |
| 1 | " | do glue Copper | 2 | 13 | 8 | |
| | | Carried Forward | 12578 | 1 | 7 | |

| Quantity or Number | | Description of Articles. | Value | | | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | Rs. | as. | p. | |
| | | Brought Forward | 12578 | 1 | 7 | |
| 10 | No. | Rasps | 4 | 11 | 4 | |
| 9 | " | Retorts glass tubulated | 29 | 4 | 3 | |
| 31 | " | Rivets Iron | 51 | 0 | 7 | |
| 13 | Pairs | Rollers Steel laminating | 2702 | 10 | 11 | |
| 2 | " | do do | 2234 | 10 | 0 | |
| 185 2/3 | Yards | Rope Europe | 63 | 13 | 6 | |
| 181 7/8 | Fathoms | do Manilla | 276 | 15 | 7 | |
| 12 | No. | Rules Carpenters | 21 | 8 | 7 | |
| 30 | " | Saws do | 54 | 4 | 2 | |
| 29 | " | Scales Brass | 295 | 8 | 3 | |
| 5 | " | do Copper | 353 | 6 | 6 | |
| 203 1/3 | Dozs. | Screws Iron | 19 | 5 | 10 | |
| 37 | No. | Sieves Brass wire | 116 | 8 | 10 | |
| 2 | " | Squares Steel Carpenters | 3 | 1 | 4 | |
| 8 | " | Stones grinding | 177 | 14 | 0 | |
| 28 | " | do Oil Turkey | 176 | 6 | 8 | |
| 2016 | lbs | Sprigs Iron Moulders | 149 | 12 | 11 | |
| 13765 21/32 | " | Steel | 3763 | 5 | 11 | |
| 9 | No. | Shovels Iron | 9 | 13 | 6 | |
| 1421 | lbs | Saltpetre refined | 222 | 0 | 6 | |
| 4 1/2 | " | Sheet Iron | 5 | 0 | 4 | |
| 64 99 1/2 | " | Tin | 1820 | 10 | 7 | |
| 8 | No. | Tongs Jewellers sliding | 15 | 4 | 0 | |
| 3 | " | Tools Surface plate | 33 | 6 | 0 | |
| 2 | Sets | do Model Makers | 171 | 1 | 4 | |
| 1 | " | do Engravers | 3 | 13 | 4 | |
| 11/20 | Galls. | Varnish Copal | 8 | 10 | 5 | |
| 49 | No. | Vices | 573 | 15 | 5 | |
| 3185 3/4 | lbs | Zinc Castes | 392 | 11 | 4 | |
| 1150 | " | do Sheets | 153 | 11 | 6 | |
| 297 | No. | do do | 1119 | 15 | 0 | |
| | | Total | 174760 | 6 | 6 | |
| 79 | No. | Files & Sizes per "Celive" | | | | Price not stated in the Invoice |
| 4/4 | " | do Crucibled Plumbago per "John Allen" | | | | do |
| 3339 | lbs | Steel Cast | do | 1275 | 9 | Value will be adjusted after price of the Crucibles are known |

18th April 1866. (Signed) J. Carpendale Clerk Master

(True Copy)
H. Thwaites
Ag. Chief Assistant

Compd. H.W.
Compd. J. Carpendale

To
J Cushington, Esqre
Accountant General.

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|---|---|---|---|---|
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| Hindostan | Glass tubing | 26 " " | 2 8 " | |
| Roxburgh Castle | Files | 697 12 " | 24 10 " | 55 Files in Excess |
| Malabar | Files & Steel Rollers | 2252 14 | 9 12 " | |
| Belvedera | Iron | 104 " " | 13 " " | |
| Sir Robert Seppings | Zinc Sheets | 1455 2 " | 2 12 " | |
| Jessie Isabel | Scales Files & Leathern Belting | 481 12 " | 5 12 8 | |
| John Allen | Cast Steel & Plumbago Crucibles | | 45 8 8 | Value of the Crucibles not stated. |
| Roxburgh Castle | Files | 7 10 3 | " " " | Additional Invoice for the 55 Files in Excess |
| | Total | 8856 6 3 | 317 10 " | |

4 In addition to Miscellaneous Stores received from England, there have been 7 Shipments of Copper Slips, which have proved on Examination to be deficient in Every Shipment. The particulars are as under:

| Ships Name | | Invoice Value | Freight and other charges paid in India | Written off the Accounts under G.O. No and date | Value of deficiency written off to debit of 13 Mint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 9 | 5 | Rs as | Rs as | 2 | Rs as |
| Deva Gungadhur | Copper Slips | 45031 9 4 | 848 11 6 | 334 22d July/67 | 20 15 2 |
| Hindostan | Do | 91683 9 4 | 1711 11 1 | 377 13 Augt " | 47 " 4 |
| General Caulfield | Do | 46089 10 8 | 789 8 10 | 360 6 Augt " | 59 10 10 |
| Roxburgh Castle | Do | 43459 10 8 | 1380 14 9 | 455 8 Oct " | 68 6 6 |
| Cornwallis | Do | 44224 1 4 | 869 4 3 | 513 16 Nov " | 44 4 5 |
| Belvidera | Do | 43633 9 4 | 818 4 7 | 522 25 Nov " | 35 6 7 |
| Sir Robert Seppings | Do | 43768 2 " | 977 1 3 | 31 22d Jany/68 | 115 1 " |
| | | 357890 4 8 | 7396 8 2 | | 390 12 10 |

5 The deficiencies above alluded to, have all been duly reported to the Local Government and the value under their orders written off the Accounts. The Secretary of State has also been communicated with, as to the mode of adjusting these losses, but from his letter to the Madras Government, no adjustment is to be made, as the English Contractors cannot be made responsible for short deliveries on the ground that they deliver goods unpacked which after Examination are packed by Government Officers, Glass alone forming an Exception to this rule. Deficiencies are to be considered as part of the cost of transit to Madras. Under this ruling (by the Secretary of State) the full Invoice value has been credited to Account Current with London and the value of the deficient written off to debit of Mint. From the Commencement of the Current Official Year, no adjustments for the value of Invoices received from the Secretary of State will appear in the Accounts, only such charges as are actually incurred in India will be debited, Viz the balance of 1/3rd freight payable on delivery, boat and landing charges, &c, under the former System, Account Current with London was Credited with the value of goods received, which head is closed annually by an Entry "to" or "by Government" as the case may be. The value of Copper for Coinage was treated as Bullion in the Mint Accounts, will also, under the same instructions, be written off the

× No 102 dated 31st December by Communicated with Madras G.O. No 58 of 3 Feby 1868

* Vide your Letter No 6255 dated 20th Feby 1868 to the Mint Master based on instructions received from the Controller Comptroller in his Letter No 1150 dated 8th Feby 1868

Accounts; when however the same is actually coined, its value will then be Credited in Accounts.-

6 The Amount received from the public for Articles manufactured during the year, I find to be 12549. 5 2, which shews a monthly average of Rs 1045. 12. 5. This includes the value of Unserviceable materials sold. The following Articles have been made up:

Steel Stamps.
" Monograms.
" Keys
" Knives new Springs to bit Stamps mend.
Brass Stamps
" Base
" Seal
" devices and buttons
" Gong
" plate with raised Letters
" Signature Stamp
" hand Stamps
" Scale
" Tola weights
Iron pulleys
" Cash Chest
" Drills
" Tomb railings
" Weights and measures
" Castings
" tube

Iron Ladder wheels
" posts and rails
" brackets
Silver Medals
" Seals
" Spoons (2)
" Buckles (2)
" band
" mounting to Cane
Gold Medal
Copper Spoons (2)
Tin Coining apparatus
repairing a pump
Engraving a Collar plate
repairing a Stove
Tin Tickets punched
Chaff Cutter
Flower Stand
Teakwood box
Pan
Birdcage
Ox Bell
Wheel barrow
Repairing bear pit
Squirrel cage (for Peoples Park)
Wooden Platform
Children's Swing

7 The Stock of Bullion in the Mint on 31st March was as follows:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1 Gold | | 11-4- |
| 2 Silver | 49678. 9-11 | |
| 3 Copper for Coinage | 1179.565. 4-3 | |
| | 1229.255. 2-2 | |

the third item will not appear in future Accounts, as Explained in para 5 above; Copper will only be treated as Bullion in future after Coinage

8 The stock of Silver is low at present only Rs 49,678-9-11. The following figures show the monthly Silver balances during the past 12 months, which shows an average monthly stock of 94,893-15-9

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1867 | | |
| April | 89,594 | 11-8 |
| May | 189,748 | 9-11 |
| June | 135,941 | 8-11 |
| July | 113,921 | 13-3 |
| August | 84,202 | 13-3 |
| September | 65,967 | 15-10 |
| October | 97,980 | " 7 |
| November | 69,104 | 4-3 |
| December | 69,566 | 6 |
| 1868 January | 80,608 | 2-5 |
| February | 92,413 | 2-8 |
| March | 49,678 | 9-11 |

9 The Silver Coined at the Mint during the year, has been small, owing to the very limited quantity of Bullion received, the Opening Bullion balance on 1st April 1867 was Rs 138,368-13-4

and the Receipts as under Viz

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| From Merchants | 148,120-3-8 | |
| Petty receipts from Native Chiefs | 198-1-4 | |
| Uncurrent Coins | 110,856-2-7 | 259,174-7-7 |
| | | 397,543-4-11 |

while

while the Silver Coined Amounted to Rs 347,733-1-
the Seignorage on which Amounted to (including refining Charge) Rupees 3,117-11-11. The Mint I understand, can with ease Coin 70-80 thousand rupees daily during ordinary working hours. The Amount Coined could therefore have been Completed in from 4 to 5 days. Unless larger importations of Bullion are received in Madras, the full working power of this important Department will continue undeveloped

10 By gain on the Sale of Copper Coined Rupees 5,997-7-8, has been realized

11 In Conclusion I have to report that the Mint Accounts are well kept, both in the Account and Store Departments, and thanking Colonel Carpendale and his Subordinates for their Courtesy and Assistance.

Account Genl's Office
Fort Saint George
23 April 1868

I have &c
(Sd) J Mackey
Actg 1st Assist Acct Genl

I forwarded to the Chief Secretary to Government with reference to the orders of the Government of India Financial Department No 2462 dated 20th September 1865.

F. Hutchinson
Accountant General.

Corresp. D.H.C.

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