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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
22nd February 1869.

No. 61. Read the following letter from the Accountant General, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George ; dated Fort Saint George, 9th February 1869, No. 221.

Book Department.

I have the honor to report, for the information of Government, that a sum of Rupees 17,614-3-8, being surplus Taluq Dawk collections, remains credited under "Deposits" in the books of this office from the year 1855-56, and on reference being made to the Postmaster General and the Board of Revenue regarding this item, it appears that there is no objection on the part either of the Postal or Revenue Authorities to the amount being carried to the credit of Government, as will be seen from the enclosed copy of Proceedings of the Board, dated 26th January 1869, No. 494.

2. The Board, however, in the second paragraph of their Proceedings referred to, state that many of the Taluq Post Offices are in need of better accommodation and of furniture, &c., which, they think, might be provided from this Fund ; but as the District Dawk charges, like all other imperial charges, must, under the present system of accounts, be met from provision regularly made in the Budget Estimate, and the suggestions of the Board cannot be carried out, I request, therefore, that I may be authorized to carry the sum in question to the credit of Government.

No. 62. ORDER THEREON, 22nd February 1869, No. 105.

Resolved that the Accountant General be authorized to carry to the credit of Government the sum of Rupees 17,614-3-8, being the surplus Taluq Dawk collections credited under the head of "Deposits" in the books of his office.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Accountant General.
,, Revenue Department.
,, Postmaster General.

Ed. J. Wright.

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To

THE ACCOUNTANT GENERAL.

&c., &c., &c.

Dated February, 22nd.

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G. O., 22nd February 1869, *No.* 105.

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Authorizing the Accountant General to carry to the credit of Government the sum of Rupees 17,614-3-8, being surplus Talúq Dawk collections credited under the head of "Deposits" in the books of his office.

No. 494.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 26th January 1869.

Read the following letter from F. LUSHINGTON, Esq., Accountant General to the Government of Madras, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Fort Saint George, 1st August 1868, No. 2,405:—

I HAVE the honor to forward copies of correspondence noted in the margin, and request that you will be good enough to state, as early as possible, whether the Board have any objection to the sum of Rupees 17,614-3-8 therein alluded to, being carried to the credit of Government.

To the Acting Postmaster General, No. 672, dated 15th October 1853.
Extract Minutes of Consultation, dated 26th September 1851.
Do. do. 19th November 1852.
To the Postmaster General, No. 1,662, dated 26th June 1868.
From Do. No. D 2,296 / C 1,283, 27th July 1868.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From SIR VANSITTART STONHOUSE, Bart., Accountant General, to the Acting Postmaster General, dated 15th October 1853, No. 672.

I HAVE the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th ultimo, to the correspondence which accompanied it, relative to the head of account under which the balance of Talook Dawk Collections deposited in the Revenue Treasury of the Collector of Bellary is to be debited in your journal.

2. It appears from these papers, and the Orders of Government marginally indicated, that it is the wish of Government that the surplus Talook Dawk Collections, after deducting expenses, should be formed into a Fund to meet the charges in improving old lines, providing for new ones, and joining the lines of one district to those of other districts to make the chain complete; and, in order to give effect to these instructions, and that your accounts may, as intended by the Government, exhibit the surplus from which the present Fund is to be formed, I have issued a Circular to Collectors and others, of which the accompanying is a copy. You will see from it that they have been instructed to give you credit in their accounts for the net amount of collections, after deducting charges, paid into their Treasuries by the different Postmasters, and that you are to debit them with the net collections thus paid into their Treasuries, by crediting the head "Talook Dawk Collections," which head should be opened in your accounts. In your closing entries, the sum in favor of the head now provided should be annually transferred both of the head of "Deposits," minor head "Talook Dawk Collections," and under this arrangement the aggregate sum received on account of Dawk Collections in all the districts will appear under the head of "Deposits," as a separate Fund.

Extract Minutes of Consultation, 26th September 1851.
Do. do. 19th November 1852.

3. Your rough closing entries for 1852-53 are herewith returned, as it would be desirable that the alteration should take place commencing with the accounts for that year, and I request that the necessary alterations may be made therein, and the closing entries returned to this office without delay.

Extract Minutes of Consultation, 26th September 1851, *No.* 905.

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Paragraph 55. He quite concurs in the principle that these Dawks should not be made a source of profit, but that when the receipts exceed the expenses the surplus should be laid out in improving old, providing for new lines, and for joining the lines of one district to those of the neighbouring districts, to make the chain complete.

No. 1,092.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, dated 19th November 1852.

Read the following letter from the Post Master General.

(Here enter 15th October 1852.)

Paragraph 9. The Governor in Council cannot but think that more might have been effected in the past twelve months than the Postmaster General has reported. The Government have expressed their conviction of the utility of these Dawks, and their desire for their extension and improvement. The valuable and suggestive remarks of the Post Office Commissioner have been circu-

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lated, and in the present receipts and accummulated deposits of past years a Fund exists for immediate and perceptible improvements. Yet after 12 months' consideration, in only four instances, has any good resulted.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) H. C. MONTGOMERY,
Chief Secretary.

To the Postmaster General.

From F. LUSHINGTON, Esq., Accountant General to the Government of Madras, to the Postmaster General, dated Fort Saint George, 26th June 1868, No. 1,662.

ADVERTING to the letter, No. 672, dated 15th October 1853, from this office to the then Acting Postmaster General, conveying instructions for the exhibition in your accounts, which were then rendered to this Department, of surplus Talook Dawk Collections, I have the honor to inform you that a sum of Rupees 17,614-3-8 on that account stands credited under "Deposits" in the books of this office from the year 1855-56, as shown in the margin; as the sum in question has not been appropriated for the purposes mentioned in the Orders of Government quoted in the above letter, namely, for improving old lines, providing for new ones, etc., in the districts, I request that you will inform me whether there is any objection to the above sum being carried to the credit of Government with their sanction.

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Amount of Talook Dawk Collections during the year 1852-53	25,751	5	6
Do. do. 1853-54	28,593	14	4
Do. do. 1854-55	15,871	8	10
	70,216	12	8
Amount of charges on account of Talook Dawk Collections during the year 1852-53	14,068	12	11
Do. do. do. 1853-54	15,972	13	0
Do. do. do. 1854-55	22,560	15	1
	52,602	9	0
Rupees	17,614	3	8

From A. C. PEARS, Esq., Postmaster, to the Accountant General, Fort Saint George, dated Ootacamund, 27th July 1868, No. $\frac{D\ 2,296}{C\ 1,283}$.

WITH reference to your letter, No. 1,662, of the 26th ultimo, and endorsement of the 10th instant, I have the honor to inform you that I see no objection to the surplus Dawk Collections in question being carried to the credit of Government. I would however suggest that a reference be first made to the Revenue Board, as the District Post Department has hitherto worked under the management of the Collectors.

(True Copies.)

(Signed) J. MACKEY,
Acting 1st Assistant Accountant General,
for Acting Chief Assistant.

IN the foregoing letter the Accountant General requests to be informed if the Board have any objection to the surplus Talook Tappal Collections accumulated during the years 1852-53, 1853-54, and 1854-55 being carried to the credit of Government. The Board consider that the object which the Government had in view when this Fund was created no longer exists. The Talook post having been revised by the Honorable Mr. Pelly and placed on the same footing as other Public Establishments, the surplus collections are credited to the State. So far, therefore, as the original object is concerned, the balance of the Fund, Rupees 17,614-3-8, may be carried to the credit of Government.

2. The Board believe that many of the Talook Post Offices are in need of better accommodation and of furniture, seals, and other appliances, and they think that advantage might properly be taken of the Fund to provide what may be necessary in the way of sorting tables, good balances, stamps, and the like.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) A. MACGREGOR,
Acting Secretary.

To the Accountant General.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

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BOARD OF REVENUE, MADRAS.

1869.

PROCEEDINGS, 26TH JANUARY 1869, No. 494.

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JANUARY.

No. 494.

Surplus Tappal collections—accumulated during 1852-53, 1853-54, and 1854-55—Accountant General informed that there is no objection to crediting of, to Government.—Suggestion that better accommodation, furniture, &c. be provided at some of Talook Post offices out of these Funds.

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BOOK DEPARTMENT.

No. 221

Fort Saint George,
Accountant General's Office,
9 February 1869.

FROM The ACCOUNTANT GENERAL,
TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

TO THE Chief Secretary to Government,
Fort Saint George

SIR,

I have the honor to report for the information of Government that a sum of Rs. 17644-3-8, being surplus Talook Dawk Collections, remains credited under "Deposits" in the Books of this Office from the year 1855-56, and on reference being made to the Post Master General and the Board of Revenue regarding this item, it appears that there is no objection on the part either of the Postal or Revenue authorities to the amount being carried to the credit of Government as will be seen from the enclosed copy of Proceedings of the Board dated 26th January 1869 No. 494.

2 The Board, however in the 2 para of their Proceedings referred to, state that many of the Talook Post offices are in need of better accommodation and of furniture, &c. which they think might be provided from this Fund; but as the District Dawk charges like all other Imperial Charges must, under the present system of accounts, be met from provision regularly made in the Budget Estimate and the suggestion of the Board cannot be carried out, I request therefore that I may be authorized to carry the sums in question to the credit of Government.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obed.t Servt

F. Ruthnum

Accountant General

Accepted 1/3/69.

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From
The Accountant General
To
The Chief Secretary
to Government

Dated 9
Rec'd 10 February 1869

No. 221.

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Requests the sanction of Government to carry the sum of Rs. 17614-3-8 being surplus Talook Dawk Collections remaining in the Books of this Office under Deposits to the Credit of Governme

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No. 105 = 22 Feby 1869.

Resolved that the Accountant General be authorized to carry to the Credit of Government the sum of Rs. 17,614-3-8, being the surplus Talook Dawk Collections credited under the head of "Deposits" in the Books of his Office.

To, The Accountant General
- " - Revenue Department
- " - Postmaster's General

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Govt. of {1869} Madras.

Financial.

To

The Accountant Genl.

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Dated Feby. 22.

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G. O., 22 Feby 1869, No. 105.

Nos. 61. 62.

Authorizing the Accountant Genl. to carry to the credit of Govt. the sum of Rs. 17,614-3-8, being surplus Taluq Dawk Collections credited under the head of "Deposits" in the Books of his Office.