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Government of Madras.

Financial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
2nd June 1869.*

No. 3. Read the following letter from the Accountant General, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Fort Saint George, 15th May 1869, No. 59.

Correspondence Department.

I have the honour to submit, for the consideration and orders of Government, copies of a correspondence which has passed between the Money-Order Department in this Office, and Staff Assistant-Surgeon Venour, relative to a requisition made by the former for certain information regarding Money Order presented by the latter for payment.

2. It will be observed that I afforded Mr. Venour the opportunity of withdrawing the offensive remarks which he had written in the Money-Order Agent's requisition, as I was unwilling to trouble the Government on the subject if it were possible to avoid doing so. But as Mr. Venour, though he, acknowledging himself to have been altogether in the wrong, declines to withdraw his remarks, and apparently holds the opinion, that, although he is himself an Officer of Government, he has perfect right, as a private individual, to insult another Officer of Government when simply discharging his duty, I have no alternative but to submit the case for the orders of Government.

From the Controller of the Money-Order Department at Madras, to the Accountant General, Madras; dated Fort Saint George, 4th May 1869, No. 169.

I have the honour to request that you will forward, for the consideration and orders of the Right Honourable the Governor in Council, the reply given by Staff Assistant-Surgeon W. Venour, Secretary to the Inspector General of Hospitals of the British Medical Service, which you will observe is endorsed on an Official Memorandum*

* Enclosed in original.

sent to that Officer by the Money-Order Agent, Madras, in accordance with Rule 18 of the

Money-Order Manual, and which rule is reprinted on the back of every Money Order.

MEMORANDUM.

Requests to be informed of the name, surname, and address of the remitter, that is, the party who originally obtained the order.

CHIEF OFFICE, MONEY ORDER
DEPARTMENT, 1st May 1869.

(Signed) N. KISTNASAWMY MOODELLY,
Money-Order Agent.

That's your business, paid out and if you don't cash this Money-Order draft without further trouble, I shall take such steps as I consider requisite to prevent you giving so much trouble to the public in future. This order was sent yesterday to you, and my servant has had to travel eight miles without getting four rupees, and will have to travel another four miles before receiving the money.

(Signed) W. VENOUR.

From the Accountant General, Madras, to the Secretary and Statistical Officer to the Inspector General of the British Medical Department, Royapettah; dated Fort Saint George, 5th May 1869, No. 832.

Correspondence Department.

The Officiating Controller of Money-Order Office has submitted to me the remarks which you have seen fit to record on the Agent's Memorandum of the 1st instant, and which are altogether so highly objectionable in their tone, and so entirely uncalled for, that I must request you will immediately withdraw them, as I shall otherwise feel it my duty to report the matter for the orders of Government.

2. The requisition of the Agent, I may remark, was in strict accordance with the rules of the department, as you might have observed had you referred to the printed instructions on the reverse of the Money Order presented by you for payment.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
2nd June 1869.*

From Staff Assistant-Surgeon W. VENOUR, Secretary to the Inspector General of the British Medical Department, to the Accountant General, Madras; dated Royapettah, 7th May 1869.

Before replying to your letter, No. 832, of the 5th instant, may I request the favour of being furnished with a certified copy of the Memorandum of the Agent to the Officiating Controller of the Money-Order Office, dated 1st May, with my remarks thereon, as I have not kept a copy of either.

MADRAS, 13th May 1869.

SIR,

With reference to your letter, No. 832, of 5th instant, I have the honour to state that I have submitted that letter and the papers connected with it to my Agents and Bankers, Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co., and I am advised by them that the view which I took of the duties of a Money-Order Agent is incorrect; and although I am free to confess as between individual and individual that that view might have been expressed in more courteous language, I have to point out to you that the Memorandum is signed by me as a private individual, and I cannot admit the right of your department to give it an official signification.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) W. VENOUR.

No. 4.

ORDER THEREON, 2nd June 1869, No. 248.

The foregoing correspondence will be communicated to the Inspector General of the British Medical Department, with a view to his intimating to Dr. Venour that the Government consider the style of his Memorandum, addressed to the Money-Order Agent, most objectionable.

2. Although this Memorandum was written to the Money-Order Agent by Dr. Venour as a private individual, he should, as holding Her Majesty's Commission, have refrained from addressing a Government official in so unbecoming a manner.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Inspector General of the British Medical Department.
,, Accountant General.

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Money Order Department,
CONTROLLER'S OFFICE,
Fort Saint George, 1st May 1869.

FROM THE CONTROLLER,
MONEY ORDER DEPARTMENT,
MADRAS.

To

The Accountant General,
Madras.

Sir

I have the honor to request, that you will forward for the consideration and orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the reply given by Staff Assistant Surgeon, W. Venoor, Secretary to the Inspector General of Hospitals, B.M. S. which you will observe is endorsed on an official letter sent to that officer by the Money Order Agent Madras in accordance with Rule 18 of the Money Order Manual, and which rule is reprinted on the back of every Money Order.

* enclosed in original, to be returned.

I have the honor to be,
Signed J. S. Trevor,
Officiating Controller.

Memorandum.

Requests to be informed of the Name Sur-
name and address of the Remitter i.e. the party who originally obtained the order.

Chief Officer
Money Order Dept.
1st May 1869

/Sig/ V. Krishna Rao,
Money Order Agent

That's your business, paid out and if you don't cash this Money Order Draft without further trouble, I shall take such steps as I consider requisite.

Cont. of 1869 J. M. M.

FINANCIAL.

To

THE INSPECTOR GENERAL,

BATHUR MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

Esq., Esq., Esq.

Dated June, 2nd.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 2nd June 1869, No. 248.

JUNE.

Nos. 3-4.

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Signed W. Venour.

Correspondence N^o 832.
Department 3
From
Fort Saint George
Acct. General's Office
5 May 1869

The Accountant General to the
Government of Madras.

To.
The Staff Asst. Surgeon W. Venour,
Secretary Statistical Officer to the
Inspector General British
Medical Dept., Rangoon.

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(Sig.) J. H. Washington
Accountant General

Madras 7th May 1869.

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(Sig.) William Venour,
Staff Asst. Surgeon

To

The Accountant General to the
Government of Madras
Fort Saint George.

Madras 13th May 1869.

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I have &c.
(Sig.) William Venour,
Asst. Chief Assistant.

Carey J. H.

Correspondence DEPARTMENT.

No. 59

Fort Saint George,
 Accountant General's Office,
 15 May 1869.

FROM

The ACCOUNTANT GENERAL,
 TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

TO THE

Chief Secretary to Government
 Fort Saint George

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I have the honor to be
 Sir

Your most obedient servant
 F. Rushington
 Accountant General

Enclosed J. B. M.

Capt. J. B. M.

Journal.

Received 15/5/69
 J. B. M.

Financial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter

from the
Accountant General.
(Here enter 18th May 1869 N. 248.)

Order thereon 2 June
May 1869 N. 248.

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Order Agent, most
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Although this
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From the Accountant General
To the Chief Secretary
to Government
Dated 15 May 1869
Received
New 1869
No 248
Forwarding Secretary
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on the subject of a
Money Order.

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Order Agent by Dr
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from addressing a
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PM

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To The Inspector General,
British India Deptt.
" Accountant General,

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Dr. Venable

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Govt. of 1863 } 200 dollars.

Wm. L.

To
The undersigned
Wm. L. Venable
per

Date June 2 } 1863, No. 2192.
Recd

Nos. 3. 4.

Enclosed find \$200.00
informed that the Govt. can
- make the style of his
- enclosures & the money order
- against his check, was 100.
- per cent.