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No. 188. Read the following letter from the President of the Municipal Commission, Coimbatore, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Coimbatore, 16th July 1872, No. 13:—

With reference to Proceedings of Government, dated 30th May last, No. 718, declining to sanction any license fees in excess of Rupees 20, and directing the revision of the fees already fixed and explanation to be furnished, I have the honour to submit the report of the Sub-Committee appointed for fixing the license fees.

REPORT.

In obedience to Proceedings of Government, dated 30th May last, No. 718, declining to sanction license fees in excess of Rupees 20, directing the revision of the proposals made, and explanation furnished of the grounds on which each rate has been adopted, we have the honour to report that we have revised the rates and the following is the result:—

Wood Depôt, 1st Class, Rs. 20; 2nd Class, Rs. 15; 3rd Class, Rs. 10; and 4th Class, Rs. 5.

We estimate the annual profit arising from the depôt, where the most extensive trade is carried on, at Rupees 500, and are of opinion that it and similar ones should be taxed as first-class depôts at the highest amount allowed by Government, viz., Rupees 20, which is but four per cent. of the estimated profit. The other classes we have arranged at three-fourths, one-half, and one-fourth of the first class, and on sanction being received each locality will be visited and taxed according to the extent of trade therein carried on. But we do not see why such a low percentage as four per cent. should be adopted in the case of wood depôts, while that for the houses is 7½. We would, therefore, recommend a five per cent. rate.

2. As regards the fish depôt, we estimate the profit at *lowest* at Rupees 200 per annum, though it is probable a higher amount may be estimated; and, considering the noxious nature of the trade, we propose a tax of Rupees 15 per annum, which is but 7½ per cent. of the income.

3. The beef butcher we estimate to kill at least two animals a week, or 100 (in round numbers) in a year. Supposing a profit of Rupees 3 to be divided on each animal, which we consider very moderate, the total profit would come to Rupees 300. We would recommend that a five per cent. rate be adopted, which will come to Rupees 15.

4. As regards the arrack distillery, of which there is only one, we have on inquiry ascertained that Rupees 16,000 worth of liquor is manufactured in a year; taking a fourth part of this sum *at least* as the profit, the sum of Rupees 75 already proposed does not come even to two per cent. of the profit, while from the offensive nature of the trade a higher percentage seems in our opinion called for. But the Order of Government must be obeyed, and we have no other alternative than to fix the highest amount allowed by them, viz., Rupees 20.

In conclusion we beg to observe that, when the rates which are now objected to by Government were fixed, all possible care was taken that the rates were moderate and not oppressive, and we respectfully submit that, from our local knowledge and inquiries made, we consider the maximum rate fixed by Government very low, and, therefore, request that Government may be moved to re-consider their order.

(Signed) V. COOPPOOSAWMY IYER.
(,,) SOONDRA SASTRY.
(,,) ADAM SAIB.
(,,) ANDOO SAIB.
(,,) GNANABARANOM PILLAY.

11th July 1872.

No. 189. ORDER THEREON, 25th July 1872, No. 980.

The Government sanction the fees as revised by the Sub-Committee.

(True Extract.)

Acting Under Secy. to Govt.

To the President of the Municipal Commission, Coimbatore.

Exd. J. Wright.

Govt. of {1872} Madras.

FINANCIAL.

To

THE PRESIDENT OF THE
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION,
Coimbatore.

Dated July, 25th.

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No 13.

Coimbatore Municipal
Commissioner's office
16th July 1872.

From.

A. Maddenbrum Esqre
President Municipal
Commission Coimbatore

To.

The Honorable R. S. Ellis
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort Saint George

Sir

With reference to Proceedings of Government dated 30th May last No 718 desiring to sanction any license fees in excess of Rupees 25 and directing the revision of the fees already fixed and explanation to be furnished I have the honor to submit the report of the Committee appointed for fixing the License fees.

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

A Maddenbrum
President

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Coimbatore Municipal
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From.
The President.
Municipal Commission
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To The Chief Secretary to
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