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Government of Madras.

*Judicial* DEPARTMENT.

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*Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 17th November 1857.*

No. 36. Read the following letter from W. ROBINSON, Esq., Acting Magistrate of Malabar; to E. MALTBY, Esq., Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Judicial Department, Fort St. George, dated Calicut, 31st October 1857, No. 160.

SIR,

With reference to the orders of Government, dated 2nd December 1856, No. 1301, I have the honor to submit the report of the Officer Commanding the Malabar Police Corps, dated 30th Enclosure 1. Instant, on the subject of the Gram contract; and beg to recommend that the system be continued, and that sanction be granted for the cost of its supply from the Enclosure 2. commencement till the 30th September, amounting as per enclosed statement, to Rupees 634-9-1.

2. I beg to solicit the sanction of Government, for the plan of immediately laying in a supply of grass or hay as was done last year. Lieutenant Blomfield estimates the cost at Rupees 85. This sum is much short of the actual bill for the same work last year, and I am therefore not sure that the sum will not be exceeded, but I can safely promise that the most rigid economy will be observed by Lieutenant Blomfield.

Vide his letter, dated 23rd October 1857, enclosure 3.

(Signed) W. ROBINSON,  
*Acting Magistrate.*

Enclosure 1.

From Lieutenant C. G. BLOMFIELD, Commandant Malabar Police Corps; to W. ROBINSON, Esq., Acting Collector of Malabar, Calicut, dated Malapoorom, 30th October 1857, No. 282.

SIR,

In reply to your letter, No. 4860 of 27th Instant, requesting my opinion as to the working of the present system of procuring gram, for the ponies of the Mountain Train, by contract\* through the Talook authorities, I have the honor to state that I consider it answers exceedingly well, as far as our present experience (7 months) goes. The gram is always punctually furnished, and if objected to, is changed without hesitation, or bran, &c., of an equal value furnished, when desired instead.

The Commandant of the Corps has not the means, had he the time to spare, or the wish to interfere with the present system, in the expectation of being able to furnish the contract cheaper or better himself.

He can superintend the laying in of grass, &c., because it forms close to the Camp, but were he required to lay in a supply of gram, he would have to send one of the Serjeants of the Corps to Coimbatore to purchase it, which would be productive of delay, and interfere seriously with their present duties.

(Signed) C. G. BLOMFIELD, Lieut.,  
*Commandant Malabar Police Corps.*

(True Copy.) (Signed) W. ROBINSON,  
*Acting Collector.*

Enclosure 2.

Statement shewing the quantity, rate and cost of horse-gram supplied to the ponies attached to the Malabar Police Corps, from 1st April to 30th September 1857.

| Period.                          | Quantity of horse-gram. | Rate. |            |         | Total amount of cost. |    |    |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------|------------|---------|-----------------------|----|----|
|                                  | lbs.                    | Rs.   | A.         | P. Cts. | Rs.                   | A. | P. |
| From 1st to 30th April 1857..... | 3,093 $\frac{3}{4}$     |       |            |         |                       |    |    |
| 1st to 31st May „ .....          | 3,487 $\frac{1}{2}$     |       |            |         |                       |    |    |
| 1st to 30th June „ .....         | 3,375                   |       |            |         |                       |    |    |
| 1st to 31st July „ .....         | 3,487 $\frac{1}{2}$     |       |            |         |                       |    |    |
| 1st to 31st August „ .....       | 3,487 $\frac{1}{2}$     |       |            |         |                       |    |    |
| 1st to 30th Septr. „ .....       | 3,375                   |       |            |         |                       |    |    |
|                                  | 20,306 $\frac{1}{4}$    | 1     | per 32lbs. |         | 634                   | 9  | 1  |

Total Co.'s Rs. six hundred and thirty-four, Annas nine and Pie one..... 634 9 1

Calicut, }  
31st October 1857. }

E.E. Pr.  
(Signed) W. ROBINSON, *Acting Magistrate.*

*Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 17th November 1857.*

Enclosure 3.

From Lieut. C. G. BLOMFIELD, Commandant Malabar Police Corps; to W. ROBINSON, Esq., Acting Collector of Malabar, Calicut, dated 23rd October 1857, No. 277.

SIR,

In submitting, in accordance with Minutes of Consultation, No. 1301, dated 2nd December 1856, an account relative to the grass laid in as dry forage for the ponies, Mountain Train, by Major Haly, last year, I have the honor to request instructions as to whether a similar plan is in future to be pursued.

Many circumstances, such as the lateness of the season, the distance of the camp, &c., combined last year to increase the price of the materials made use of, but now that the Corps is more settled, and the matter is better understood; I think that I could engage to lay in a sufficient supply of grass for 15 ponies for 12 months, and to stack it, with a good foundation and cadjan roof, for Rupees 85.

It is advisable that the grass be laid in while in flower, towards the end of November; as it will not only be cheaper, but otherwise if purchased at a later season, is apt to be dried up full of prickly thorns, and useless for the purposes intended.

(Signed) C. G. BLOMFIELD, Lieut.,  
Commandant Malabar Police Corps.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) W. ROBINSON,  
Acting Collector.

Estimate of expenses with regard to grass laid in for dry Forage, for 15 ponies, Mountain Train, Malabar Police Corps, from 3rd April 1857.

|                                                                                                                                                  | Rs.  | A. | P. |                                                                                                                                                                           | Rs. | A. | P. |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|----|----|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|----|
| Amount of contingent Bill submitted by Major Haly, on account of laying in grass &c., stacking, hedging and covering the same in March 1857..... | 111  | 12 | 2  | Amount allowed in Cavalry Corps, at the rate of 3 lbs. per horse per day, at the current rate of Pice 2 per lb. for 15 ponies, for the month of April (28 days) 1857..... | 13  | 2  | 0  |
|                                                                                                                                                  |      |    |    | May.....                                                                                                                                                                  | 14  | 8  | 6  |
|                                                                                                                                                  |      |    |    | June.....                                                                                                                                                                 | 14  | 1  | 0  |
|                                                                                                                                                  |      |    |    | July.....                                                                                                                                                                 | 14  | 8  | 6  |
|                                                                                                                                                  |      |    |    | August.....                                                                                                                                                               | 14  | 8  | 6  |
|                                                                                                                                                  |      |    |    | September.....                                                                                                                                                            | 14  | 1  | 0  |
|                                                                                                                                                  |      |    |    | October.....                                                                                                                                                              | 14  | 8  | 6  |
|                                                                                                                                                  |      |    |    |                                                                                                                                                                           | 99  | 6  | 0  |
| Estimate of amount allowed in Light Cavy. and Horse Arty.....                                                                                    | 127  | 15 | 6  | Value of supply remaining for                                                                                                                                             |     |    |    |
| Price of grass purchased and paid for in Contingent Bill.....                                                                                    | *111 | 12 | 2  | November.....                                                                                                                                                             | 14  | 1  | 0  |
|                                                                                                                                                  |      |    |    | December.....                                                                                                                                                             | 14  | 8  | 6  |
| Balance in favor of present method adopted.....                                                                                                  | 16   | 3  | 4  | Total amount.....                                                                                                                                                         | 127 | 15 | 6  |

Supply still remaining up to the end of December 1857.

\* Note.—10 Annas of this amount was since refunded.

Camp near Mallapoorom, }  
23rd October 1857. }

(Signed) C. G. BLOMFIELD, Lieut.,  
Commandant Malabar Police Corps.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) W. ROBINSON,  
Acting Collector.

*Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 17th November 1857.*

No. 37. ORDER THEREON, No. 1493; dated 17th November 1857.

1. As the Commandant of the Malabar Police Corps, reports favorably on the system of procuring gram for the Ponies of that Corps through the Talook authorities instead of through the Commissariat Department, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council sanctions its continuance. He also authorizes the disbursement of Rupees (634-9-1), six hundred and thirty-four, Annas nine, and Pie one, on account of the gram purchased, from 1st April to 30th September 1857.

2. The Commandant will, as proposed, lay in a stock of grass for the ensuing year. It is observed that that Officer estimates the cost at Rs. 86, but the Acting Magistrate is not sure that this sum will not be exceeded.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,  
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

Judicial Department.

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*Extract from the Minutes of Consultation*

*Dated 17<sup>th</sup> November 1857.*

*Read the following Letter from  
the Acting Magistrate of Malabar.  
(then dated 31<sup>st</sup> Oct/57)*

*1. As the Commandant  
of the Malabar Police Corps expressed  
favorably on the system of pro-  
curing grain for the Police of  
that corps through the Talook  
authorities instead of through  
the Commissariat Department  
the Right Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Governor  
in Council sanctions its  
continuance. He also autho-  
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and thirty-four Annas more and  
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purchased from 1<sup>st</sup> April to  
30<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1857.

2. The Commandant will,  
as proposed, lay in a stock of  
grain for the ensuing year. It  
is observed that that officer es-  
timates the cost at Rs 85, but  
the Acting Magistrate is not  
sure that this sum will not  
be exceeded.

*[Signature]*

Copy to St Magistrate of Malabar  
" Civil Auditor  
" Accountant Genl.

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