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Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 14th September 1858.

No. 23. Read the following letter from Lieutenant Colonel H. COLBECK, Senior Magistrate of Police; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, dated 2nd September 1858, No. 18.

SIR,

I have the honor to enclose copy of a letter from J. L. Lushington, Esq., Acting Civil Auditor, containing objections to two items in the contingent Bill of my Court for the month of July last, and to request the sanction of Government for their disbursement under the following explanation.

2. The extra Writers alluded to in Mr. Lushington's letter were employed by me to assist in preparing cases for the last Sessions, as from the hurried press of business at the time, my establishment of Writers was quite inadequate and had I neglected to obtain the assistance of two Clerks, I could not possibly have sent in the depositions required in time for trial.

3. With regard to the item of six Rupees for rectifying and cleaning the Clock, I beg to say, I was utterly ignorant of any arrangement having been made with Messrs. Orr and Co., for the general superintendence of Government Office Clocks and having been in the habit of sending to Mr. Bonjour formerly, I did so again.

4. I have written to the Inspector General of Ordnance on this subject and received in reply a statement, that he was not aware that there was any Government Clock at this office.

5. The Bill sent in by the extra Clerks and the one by Mr. Bonjour, have been retained by the Civil Auditor.

From J. L. LUSHINGTON, Esq., Acting Civil Auditor; to H. COLBECK, Esq., Senior Magistrate of Police, Fort Saint George, dated 23rd August 1858, No. 273.

SIR,

I have the honor to return the accompanying Bill for Rupees 20-11-6, passed for Rupees 8-11-6, for July last, and to inform you, that I have struck out from the Bill in question the sum of Rupees 6, paid to two extra Writers to fair copy depositions for the last Sessions, and another sum of Rupees 6 paid for rectifying and cleaning the office Clock, as the former charge is of the nature of establishment, and the latter is not of the nature of the ordinary contingent charge I am authorized to pass. I request that the sanction of Government may be obtained for incurring the former charge, after which it may be included in your next contingent Bill for audit. I would point out however that Messrs. Orr & Co., are the Contractors for repairing the Government Clocks, and that the Inspector General of Ordnance, who was directed to accept their contract, is the authority to whom you should apply to ascertain whether the Clock at the Royapet Police Court is included or not in the contract; and if not, whether the contract does not stipulate to put in order every additional Clock at a less cost than that charge, which I have now struck out from your Bill.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) H. COLBECK,
Senior Magistrate of Police.

No. 24. ORDER THEREON, No. 1243; dated 11th September 1858.

The Governor in Council authorizes the Civil Auditor to admit the charges made by Colonel Colbeck, Magistrate of the Royapettah Police Court, for the two extra Writers entertained by him to copy depositions for the last Sessions, and for cleaning, &c., his office Clock, amounting in the aggregate to Rupees (12) twelve.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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Copy to Magistrate of Royapettah
Police Court
" Civil Auditor
" Accountant

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