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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
10th November 1860.

No. 177. Read the following Proceedings of the Chief Engineer, dated Chepauk, 16th October 1860, No. 5,890 :—

Read the following letter from Captain J. G. RYVES, Acting District Engineer, Kistna, to Lieutenant-Colonel A. BOILEAU, Acting Deputy Chief Engineer, Northern Circle, dated Bezoarah, 3rd October 1860, No. 136.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to furnish the explanation required by your Order dated 24th ultimo, No. 5,101.

2. The silver badges were intended for use in the several Officer's Establishments, two in the District Engineer's Office and one in each of the Range Establishments, the most respectable of the Lascars would have been selected.

3. The brass badges were intended for the Peons paid out of Estimates in the severel Táluqs guarding cash chests, carrying messages and orders, and in other ways employed in connection with the works

4. The Order dated 9th October 1856 provides that Indents for *cloth belts* be submitted to the Board of Revenue; a sufficient number of cloth belts were, as well as I remember, furnished to the Madura District Department Public Works by the Board on a regular Indent submitted by me, but others were in the meantime made up and paid for in the District. The order referred to relates only to *cloth required for Peons' belts,* not to silver or brass badges or to belts made of Cheeta skin.

5. Patterns and revised patterns for badges for the Department Public Works have been circulated to the Department, and the order of the 9th October 1856 appears to contemplate Peons' belts being used in the Public Works Department.

No. 1,439, dated 6th July 1860.
No. 10, dated 19th September 1860.

Forwarded to Government with reference to their Proceedings as per margin.

(Signed) W. H. HORSLEY, Lieut.-Colonel,
Chief Engineer.

No. 178. ORDER THEREON, 10th November 1860, No. 2,328.

1. The Chief Engineer submits a letter from Captain Ryves District Engineer of Madura and Acting District Engineer of the Kistna District, in which he explains, with reference to the Order of Government dated 6th July 1860, No. 1,439, that he made the badges and belts referred to in that order for the Lascars and for the Peons paid out of estimates to guard cash chests in the Táluqs. He states also that the Order of 9th October 1856 requiring the submission of Indents applied to belts only; and that the necessity of the badges was presumed from the circulation of patterns for them.

2. The explanation is not satisfactory; it was never intended that Lascars should wear belts or badges and if they are included in the lists furnished to the Board of Revenue they should be struck out.

3. The charge incurred by Captain Ryves was quite unauthorized and in disobedience of the peremptory orders which required previous sanction in such cases. It is true that the Order of 9th October applies to belts only and not to badges, but in their Proceedings dated 4th December 1832 (vide Gazette of 12th December 1832) the Government strictly and in clear terms prohibited "all public Officers" "from incurring charges without previous sanction" "in cases which admit of an Estimate being made, and are not of an emergent nature;" and all Officers were informed that in the event of disobedience they would be held "personally responsible for disbursements made without the requisite sanction." The attention of the Officers of the Public Works Department was specially drawn to this Order in the Proceedings of Government, dated March 8th 1844 No. 40 (vide page 10 of the Circular Orders of the Public Works Department).

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4. The present case was clearly one which admitted of the submission of an Estimate. The Government observe that even the belts were made without sufficient authority. Under these circumstances the Government decline to sanction the expenditure. The belts and badges will be held at Captain Ryves' disposal.

5. The Government presume that under the Order of May 17th 1859, No. 1,180, the Chief Engineer has put an absolute stop to the employment of Peons from Estimates to guard Táluq cash chests, or for other purposes unconnected with the works.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
Secretary to Government.

No. 136.

From,
Captain J. G. Ryves
Acting District Engineer Kistna
Bezoarah.

To,
The Deputy Chief Engineer
Northern Circle D. P. W.
Chepauk.

Sir,

I have the honor to furnish the explanation required by your order dated 24th Ultimo No. 5,101.

The silver badges were intended for use in the several Officers' Establishments, two in the District Engineer's Office and one in each of the Range Establishments - the most respectable of the Lascars would have been selected.

The brass badges were intended for the Peons ~~paid out of Estimates~~ in the several Talooks guarding Cash Chests, carrying Messages and orders and in other ways employed in connection with the works.

The order dated 9th October 1856 provides that Indents for ~~cloth belts~~ be submitted to the Board of Revenue; a sufficient number of cloth belts were, as well as I remember furnished to the Madura District Department P. W. by the Board on a regular Indent submitted by me - but others were in the meantime

made

made up and paid for in the District. The order referred to relates only to Cloth required for Peons Belts, not to Silver or brass badges or to belts made of Cheeta Skin.

Patterns and Revised patterns, for badges for the Department P.W. have been circulated to the Department and the order of the 9th October 56 appears to contemplate peons belts being used in the Public Works Department.

Berioarah
3d October
1860

I have the honor to be &c
/Signed/ J.G. Ryves Captain
A.J. District Engineer K.D.

No 5890

Forwarded to Government with reference to their Proceedings as per Margin.

No 1139 dated 6th July 1860.
No 10 dated 19th September 1860.

Central Office P.W.
Cchepauk
16 October 1860

C.T. Ronalds Lieut. Colonel
Chief Engineer

A.B. Lt Colt
Aff. Dy Chief Engr NB.

To,
J. D. Bourdillon Esqre
Secretary to Government P.W.D.
Fort St George.

Sd W.T. Harper.

Madras for the Lascars

G.W.D.

No 2328.

Proceedings of the Madura Government.—

Orders dated the 10th October 1860.

Read the following letter from the Chief Engineer—

Agreeably to orders communicated in the Board's Proceedings of the 5th instant, I have the honor to submit for the information of Government a letter from the Executive Engineer Madura dated the 6th instant, with reference to the Chief Engineer's letter No 5890 of the 1st instant, regarding the purchase of Mamoties for the Madura District, and to request that the Government will be pleased to direct whether the Executive Engineer is to be allowed the amount of the Mamoties purchased by him, or whether he is to be required to refund the amount to the Government.

Pro. of Govt. 6 July 60 No 1054 to 100
19 Oct. 330 Mis.
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P.M. 1860. Department
Pro. of Govt. for Oct.
No 2493

From
Lieut. Col. H. H. Horsley.
Chief Engineer D. P. W.

To
J. D. Bourdillon Esqre.
Secretary to Govt. P. W. D.
Fort Saint George

Dated 16th October 1860.
Recd. 18th

No 5890

Copy of a letter from the Dist. Engineer Kistna District furnishing explanation required in an order dated 24th Ultimo regarding budgies purchased for use in the Madura District.

No 177.

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for the years previous to Estimates to guard each chests in the Talugs - He states also that the orders of 9th Oct. 1826 requiring the submission of Indents applied to bells only; and that the necessity of the badges was presumed from the circulation of patterns for them.

2nd The explanation is not satisfactory; it was never intended that Peons should wear bells. The badges and if they are included in the lists furnished to the Board of Revenue they should be struck out.

3rd The charge inquired by Captain Rynes was quite unauthorized and in disobedience of the peremptory orders which required pre-vious sanction in such cases. It is true that the order of 9th October ~~is it is true applicable~~ applies to bells only but not to badges, and not to be struck out in their Pro. dated 4th December 1832 (vide Gazette of 12th Dec. 32) the Govt. strictly and in clear terms prohibited all public officers from sanctioning changes without previous sanction in cases which admitted of any Estimate

estimate being made, and
"not of an emergent na-
-ture", and all officers were informed
that in the event of dis-
-obedience they would be
held "personally respon-
-sible for disbursements
made without the requi-
-site sanction". The atten-
-tion of the Officers of the
R.W.D. was especially drawn
to this order in the Proc:
of the Govt. dated March
8th 1844 No. 140 (vide page
10 of the Circulars orders
of the R.W.D.). —

4. — The present case
was clearly one which ad-
-mitted of the submission of
an Estimate. The Govt. ob-
-serve that even the belts
were made without suf-
-ficient authority. Under
these circumstances the
Govt. decline to sanction the
expenditures
requisite sanction passed
The belts and bodies will be
examined by the Board
held at Captain Pype's
of Revenue on them Proof to the
proposal
Memorandum No 2281. —

5. — The Govt. presume that
under the order of May 17/59
the Chief Engineer has
put an absolute stop
adopted measures to pre-
to
vent the employment of
persons from Estimates to
Guard Siding Earth
Chests

chests or for other purposes
unconnected with the works
~~dedicated by Act to this~~
~~Order of 14th May 1859 &c~~
~~1180~~

10 Copies
To the Chief Engineer Cap. 12/
12 m Sgd Sp Rv

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Badges and Belts made by
Captains Byrnes and Hutchinson.

Public Works 1860 Deptt.
Pro: of Govt for November

No 2328.

Pro: of the Madras Govt.
Dt 10th Novr 1860.

From the Chief Engr Dt 22d Decr 1860
No 3992 in Corr.

Declining to sanction the unauthorized expenditure incurred by the District Engr of Madura in making badges and belts.

No 177 & 178.

From Chief Engr 4th March 1861
C No 502 in Pro.

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