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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 3rd May 1862.

No. 82. Read the following letter from Major H. W. RAWLINS, in charge of the Audit and Account Departments, to Lieutenant-Colonel W. H. HORSLEY, Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Chepauk, 28th March 1862, No. 12,059:—

SIR,

1 Memorandum.
1 Letter from District Engineer North Arcot, 16th January 1862, No. 1,250.
1 Do. from Mr. Curley, 20th March 1862, with one enclosure.
1 Do. from Mr. DeCruz, 21st March 1862.
1 Do. from Mr. Plumbe, 24th March 1862.

1. The Accountant General has addressed this Office about the adjustment of a balance of Rupees 1,575, outstanding in his books against Colonel J. H. Bell, when Secretary to the late Board of Revenue, Department Public Works.

2. It will be seen from the accompanying Memorandum that the above sum represents the advances made for Levelling instruments and Gravatt's Levelling Staves manufactured at Madras, between the years 1849 and 1855. From the enclosed letters from Messrs. Plumbe and D'Cruz, the parties through whose means the articles were procured, it will be observed that the advances were fully worked out. I have used all possible means for ascertaining whether such was the case; but I have not succeeded in finding any voucher satisfactorily accounting for the receipt and distribution of the articles. The advances were made by, and the articles were supplied to the late Board of Revenue, Department Public Works, prior to the time* that Mr. Curley assumed charge of the Store Department, and hence the difficulty experienced at present in affording more satisfactory explanation of the matter. It will be observed from the letter from the District Engineer of North Arcot, herewith forwarded, that Mr. O'Hara, when in charge of Public Works Stores in 1854 and 1855, recollects having received thirty Staves from Mr. D'Cruz, and the remaining twenty must have been previously supplied on the first advance of Rupees 350 made in 1852. Mr. Plumbe states that the Levelling instruments were all delivered to Mr. Wylie, late Manager of the Board of Revenue, Department Public Works, to whom also, Mr. D'Cruz states, were delivered all Staves supplied about the same time.

* February 1857.

16th January 1862, No. 1,250.

3. As the advances are outstanding and it is expedient that they should be speedily adjusted, I request that sanction may be granted for writing off the sum of Rupees 1,575, in the books of the Accountant General.

No. 83. ORDER THEREON, 3rd May 1862, No. 930.

1. Under the circumstances represented in the foregoing letter the Government authorize the sum of Rupees 1,575 being written off to profit and loss.

2. It is observed that the above sum represents the amount of certain advances made by Colonel Bell (when Secretary to the late Board of Revenue, Department Public Works, and now standing to his debit in the books of the Accountant General) on account of Levelling instruments and Staves contracted for by Messrs. Plumbe and D'Cruz. The Officer in charge of the Audit and Account Departments states that although no vouchers can be traced to prove that the articles were delivered by the parties abovementioned yet it is believed that the advances were duly worked out by them.

(Signed) W. H. HORSLEY, Lieut.-Colonel,
Secretary to Government.

(No. 12059)

Central Office 1st D.
the 28th March 1862

From

Major H. W. Rawlins
Incharge of the Audit & Assessment Department

Publick

To

Lieut. Colonel H. H. Hardley
Secretary to Government P.W.D.
Fort Saint George

Sir,

Subject.
Letter
Letter from Accountant General dated 18th March 1862
Letter from Secretary to Government P.W.D. dated 25th March 1862
Letter
Letter
Letter

The Accountant General has addressed this Office about the adjustment of a balance of Rupees 1,575 outstandings in his Books against Colonel J. H. Dell, when Secretary to the late Board of Revenue D.P.W.

2 It will be seen from the accompanying Memorandum that the above sum represents the advances made for Levelling Instruments and Travatte Levelling Staves manufactured at Madras, between the Years 1849 and 1855. From the enclosed letters from Messrs Rumbe and D'Cruz, the parties through whose means the Articles were procured, it will be observed that the advances were fully worked out. I have used all possible means for

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ascertaining whether such was the case; but I have not succeeded in finding any voucher satisfactorily accounting for the receipt and distribution of the articles. The advances were made by, and the articles were supplied to the late Board of Revenue D.P.W., prior to the time that Mr Turley assumed charge of the Store department and hence the difficulty experienced at present in affording more satisfactory explanation of the matter. It will be observed from the letter from the District Engineer of North Arcot, herewith forwarded, that Mr D'Sara, when in charge of Public Works Stores in 1854 and 1855, recollects having received 30 Staves from Mr D'Cruz, and the remaining 20 must have been previously supplied on the first advance of Rupees 350 made in 1852. Mr Plumbe states that the Levelling Instruments were all delivered to Mr Wylie, late manager of the Board of Revenue D.P.W., to whom also, Mr D'Cruz

States

* February 1857.

10th January 1862 No. 2.

States, were delivered all Staves & supplied about the same time.

3. As the advances are outstanding and it is expedient that they should be speedily acquitted, I request that sanction may be granted for writing off the sums of Rupees 1575 in the Books of the Accountant General.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
H. Rawlins Major
Secretary to the Board of Ordnance &c.

Central Office D.P.W.
Chepauk 28th March 1862.

To
Lieut Colonel W. H. Horsley
Secretary to Government P.W.D.
Fort St George

1862

P.W. 1862 Department
P40: of Cost of Stores
No. 941

From
Lieut. Col. W. Collins
in charge of Establishment
Departments.

To
Lieut. Colonel W. St. Hubbersley
Secretary to Govt. P.W.D.
Fort St. George

Dated 28th May 1862.

Received 31st May 1862
No. 12059
Encl.

Furnishes information connected with certain Vessels and Stores supplied by the late Public Works the advances for which are outstanding.

No. 930 - 3rd May.
With an Order.

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No. 930.

Under the circumstances represented in the foregoing letter the Govt. authorize the sum of Rs. 1575 being written off to Profit and Loss.

It is observed that the above sum represents the amount of certain advances made by Colonel Bell when Secretary to the late Board of Revenue P.W.D. and now standing to his debit in the Books of the Accountant General on account of Levelling Instruments and Staves contracted for by Messrs. Plumbe and Cruz. The Officer in charge of the Audit Account Depts. states that although no vouchers can be traced to prove that the articles were delivered by the parties above mentioned yet it is believed that the advances were duly worked out by them.

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To the Accountant Genl.
" Officer in charge of
audit Accounts Depts.

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