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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 6th October 1866.

No. 158. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Public Department:—

Intimating that scales for weighing official letters can be supplied, on indent, from the Public Works Stores and Workshops, to non-privileged Offices at or near the Presidency, &c.	(Here enter 28th September 1866, No. 979.)

No. 159. ORDER THEREON, 6th October 1866, No. 3,188.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 13.

Communicated to the General Superintendent of Public Works Stores and Workshops for information and guidance.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the General Superintendent of Public Works Stores and Workshops.
„ Officer in charge of the Store Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department, 28th September 1866.

No. 156. Read the following letter from the Controller of Military Accounts, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, Fort Saint George; dated Fort Saint George, 12th September 1866, C.

I have the honor to forward, for submission to Government, the correspondence as per margin, relative to the supply of scales and weights to non-privileged Offices.

Letter of Paymaster, Mysore Circle, dated 2nd August 1866, No. 219, with bill for Rupees 25.
Letter of Superintendent of Pensions, dated 10th August 1866, No. 1486, with indent for scales and weights.
Letter of Officer in charge of Pensioners at the Mount, dated 22nd August 1866, No. 387, with bill for Rupees 13 for scales and weights.
Letter of Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines, dated 10th August 1866, No. 2075.
Letter of Postmaster General, dated 14th August 1866, No. 939.
Docket of Mint Master, dated 23rd August 1866, No. 60.
Letter of General Superintendent, Public Works Stores and Workshops, dated 24th August 1865, No. 221, with plan.

2. The Paymaster, Mysore Circle, the Superintendent of Pensions, and the Officer in charge of Pensioners apply for scales and weights, for weighing letters, &c., the former at a cost of Rupees 25, the latter by indent.

3. The Officer in charge of Pensioners at the Mount has purchased the scales and weights for Rupees 13, and submits the bill for sanction.

4. Presuming that the scales and weights necessary for non-privileged Offices under the new rules would be supplied at the public expense, this Office addressed the Inspector General of Ordnance, the Postmaster General, the Mint Master, and the General Superintendent, Public Works Department Workshops, as to the best description of supply, and their replies are submitted.

5. The Ordnance Officers at out-stations could not make them up. At the Presidency they can be made up, either at the Mint or the Public Works Department Workshops—at the former at 6 Rupees; at the latter, of a different pattern, at 5 Rupees.

6. Either of these would suffice for the generality of non-privileged Offices, but not for Offices where large and heavy packages have to be weighed; in the latter, scales of a larger description would be necessary.

7. The Paymaster, Mysore Circle, and Superintendent of Pensions have applied for inclusion in the privileged list, and, if such is conceded, scales and weights will be unnecessary for them.

Vide Report, dated 11th September 1866, C.

8. Should Government determine that scales and weights should be supplied to non-privileged Offices at the public expense, they may see fit to sanction the bill of the Officer in charge of Pensioners at the Mount, for Rupees 13, as an "Office Contingency"; but, as suitable scales and weights are to be obtained at a much lower rate at the Mint or Public Works Department Workshops, Offices at, and within easy reach of, the Presidency should obtain them from one of these Departments.

9. At distant stations, it does not appear how they can be procured, otherwise than in the local market, and charged as an Office Contingency, but it might be advisable to affix a limit of Rupees 10, beyond which the authority granted should not extend.

10. It is desirable that, if admissible, they should be obtained under some general system, and the expenditure limited, as such appliances are constructed expensively and inexpensively, according to the purposes for which they are designed.

Transferred to the Public Department.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
14th September 1866.

(Signed) R. HAMILTON, Colonel,
Deputy Secretary to Government, M. D.

No. 157. ORDER THEREON, 28th September 1866, No. 979.

As scales for weighing official letters can, it appears, be made up at the Public Works Stores and Workshops at a very moderate cost, it is resolved that a Notification be issued, directing all non-privileged Offices, under the Postal Rules of the 4th May 1866, at or within easy reach of the Presidency, to apply, by indent, to the General Superintendent for scales, entering their cost in their Office Contingent Bill.

2. Non-privileged Offices at distant stations can procure scales from any source, at a cost not exceeding 10 Rupees, the limit proposed by the Controller of Military Accounts.

3. Scales for weighing large or heavy packages will, also, on application from non-privileged Offices, be made up under Mr. Monteith's superintendence.

4. The charge, viz., Rupees 13, incurred by the Officer in charge of Pensioners at the Mount, is sanctioned as an "Office Contingency."

5. With regard to the application of the Paymaster, Mysore Circle, and Superintendent of Pensions, for inclusion in the privileged list, the Controller of Military Accounts will observe the course prescribed for such cases in G. O., 17th ultimo, No. 938.

(True Extract).

Secretary to Government.

To the Controller of Military Accounts, with enclosures, returned.
" Public Works Department.
" Military Department.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

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