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Government of Madras.

Public DEPARTMENT.

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No. 461. Read the following letter from Major R. B. KENNEDY, Officer in charge of Public Works Operations in Wynaad, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Vythery, 31st January 1870, No. 57 :—

I HAVE the honour to forward copy of letter* from the Officer in charge of South-East Wynaad Range, reporting the destruction of certain sheds and stores at Goodaloor on the morning of the 15th instant, causing a total estimated loss of Rupees 1,037-12-0.

* No. 75, dated 20th January 1870.

2. I was at Goodaloor myself on the 18th, and personally examined every individual who could be supposed to be able to throw any light on the occurrence; but although I am convinced that the fire was wilfully caused, I could not elicit anything implicating any one.

3. I beg the confirmation of Government for the reward of Rupees 50 that I authorized to be offered for evidence which should convict the guilty parties.

4. I also request that the following sums named by Major Raynsford may be written off to "Profit and Loss":—

	RS.	A.	P.
Materials for Goodaloor Cutcherry	431	8	0
Do. for bridges on road from Goodaloor to Tippacadoo	96	4	0
Timber and Sundry stores	140	0	0
	667	12	0

5. The tools and plant will have also to be written off.

From Major F. M. RAYNSFORD, Officer in charge of South-East Wynaad Range, to the Officer in charge of Public Works Operations in Wynaad, dated Goodaloor, 20th January 1870, No. 75.

I REGRET to have the honour to report that during my absence a fire occurred on the morning of the 15th instant, about 5 o'clock. Fortunately there was no wind, as this saved the stores from being destroyed; suspicion rests on some of my people, and inquiry is still being made by the Sub-Magistrate, who has been directed to offer a reward of Rupees 50 to any person or persons who will give such information as will lead to conviction of the guilty party; a further sum of Rupees 6-4-0 has been paid to Versah Mahomed's coolies, who gave their assistance in putting out the flames; in fact, had it not been for them, much more damage would have been done, as, from late instruction, most of the coolies had been paid up and discharged. The loss incurred is as follows :—

Carpenters' shed, Lascars' line, and Bullock shed... ... ... Rupees 300

Cutcherry materials at site.

	RS.	A.	P.
61 Cubic feet of timber, at Rupees 1-8-0	91	8	0
120 Cubic feet of timber for all the doors and window-frames, at 2 rupees	240	0	0
50 Pullahs of chunam	100	0	0
	431	8	0

Tippacadoo Road.

55 Cubic feet of timber, at Rupees 1-12-0	96	4	0

Sundries.

4 Bandy-frames	40	0	0
10 Hand-barrows	20	0	0
5 Ragee-stones	10	0	0
Timber and other odds and ends	140	0	0
	210	0	0

No. 462. ORDER THEREON, 23rd February 1870, No. 614.

ACCOUNT, No. 48.

IN this letter the Officer in charge of Public Works Operations in Wynaad reports the destruction by fire on the 15th January last of certain sheds and stores at Goodaloor of the estimated value of Rupees 1,037-12-0, and states that although he believes the fire to have been wilfully caused, neither his own nor the inquiries of the Police have been able to trace the perpetrator.

	RS.	A.	P.
Materials for the Cutcherry at Goodaloor	431	8	0
Do. for bridges on the road from Goodaloor to Tippacadoo	96	4	0
Timber and Sundry stores	140	0	0
Tools and Plant	70	0	0
Total ...	737	12	0

2. Under the circumstances His Excellency the Governor in Council grants authority for writing off to "Profit and Loss" the sum of Rupees 737-12-0 as particularized in the margin.

3. The proceeding of Major Kennedy as reported in paragraph 3 is approved, and the Controller of Public Works Accounts is authorized to pass the charge when it may be incurred.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Officer in charge of Public Works Operations in Wynaad.
,, Controller of Public Works Accounts.
,, Accountant-General.

Exd. J. Wright.

No. 57

Special Executive Engineer's Office
Wynaad, Vythiry
31st January 1870

From,
The Special Executive Engineer
Wynaad.

To,
The Secretary to Government
Department Public Works
Madras.

Sir,

1875. d/20. January 1870

I have the honor to forward copy of letter* from the Officer in charge of South East Wynaad Range reporting the destruction of certain Sheds and Stores at Goodaloor on the morning of the 15th Instant, causing a total estimated loss of Rupees 1037. 12. ..

2. I was at Goodaloor myself on the 18th and personally examined every individual who could be supposed to be able to throw any light on the occurrence, but although I am convinced that the fire was wilfully caused I could not elicit anything implicating any one.

3. I beg the confirmation of Government for the reward of Rs 50 that I am authorized to be offered for evidence which

No 95 Goodalore 21st January 1870

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Major F. M. Raynsford.
Range Officer South Wynaad

No

Major R. B. Kennedy
Special Executive Engineer
Wynaad

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which should convict the guilty parties.

4 I also request that the following sums named by Major Raynsford may be written off to Profit and Loss.

Materials for Goodalore Cutcherry Rs 431 0 0
Ditto for bridges on Road from Goodalore to Seppiakaile 96 4 0
Timber and Sundry Stores 110 0 0
667 12 0

5 The Tools and Plant will have also to be written off.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant

R.B.G. Kennedy Major
Special Executive Engineer
Wynaad

To
Lieut. Colonel R. Pitt Commanding
Nilgiri Regiment
Special Executive
Engineer Wynaad

Dated 31st January 1870.
Received 2nd February 1870.

Enclosure 1
Conveyance of a
letter from Mr Pollett
to Major Raynsford
Enclosure 2 Letter
from Major Raynsford
forwarding
the above letter
Enclosure 3 Letter
from Mr Pollett
Enclosure 4 Letter
from Major Raynsford
forwarding
the above letter

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have been done as from late instruction most of the Coolies had been paid off and discharged. The loss incurred is as follows.-

Carpenters shed, Lascars Line & Bullock Shed Rs 320.

Cutcherry materials at site.

61 Cubic feet of Timber @ 1/5 91-8-0

120 Cft. Timber for all the Doors & Window frames @ 2 Rs 240-0-0

50 Pullahs of Chunam 100-0-0

431-8-0

Tiffacadoo Road

55 Cubic feet of Timber @ 1/12 ..... Rs 96-11-0

Sundries

4 Bandy frames ..... Rs 40-0-0

10 Hand Barrows 20-0-0

5 Rage stones 10-0-0

Timber and other odds and Ends 140-0-0

210-0-0

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant
Signed H. M. Raynsford Major
Range Officer South Wynaad

True Copy
R. H. Keller Major
Supt Rys: Engineer Wynaad

P. W. Department

No 616

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 23d Febry 20.

Read the following

From. The Special Executive Engineer Wynaad — H. E. No 57 of 31st January 1870

In this letter the Officer in charge of Public Works Operations in Wynaad reports the destruction by fire on the 15th January last of certain sheds and stores at Goodalore of the estimated value of Rs. 1037—12—, and states that although he believes the fire to have been

Copied.

To the Special Executive Engineer Wynaad

Sir

I am directed by the Government to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No 57 dated 31st January reporting the destruction by fire of certain sheds and stores at Goodalore.

Madras

P. W. Secretary to Government

Major Ellerton

Reporting the destruction by fire of certain sheds & stores at Goodalore

been wilfully caused, neither his own nor the inquiries of the Police have been able to trace the perpetrator.

Under the circumstances His Excellency the Govr. in Council grants authority for writing off the sum of Rs. 737-12-0 as particularized in the margin.

The proceedings of Major Kennedy as reported in para 3 is approved, and the Controller of Public Works Accounts is authorized to pass the charge when it may be incurred.

To Profit and Loss	Rs. A. P.	
Materials for the Catchment at Goodalore	343-0-0	
Do for bridges on the road from Goodalore to Tiffacadu	96-4-0	
Timber & Limestone stores	140-0-0	
Tools and Plant	70-0-0	
Total Rs	737-12-0	

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To
The Officer in charge of P. W. Factories
Comptr of P. W. Accts
Accts Genl

Desp. 24/2/70.

Cue 431

Govt. of 1870 Works.

PUBLIC WORKS.

The Officer in charge of Public Works Operations in Wynaad

Dated

Rcd. Ack.

G. O. 25th Feby 1870 No. 614

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Sheds and Stores Refering orders on the letter from the Offr in charge of Wks Operations in Wynaad reporting the destruction by fire on the 21st Janry 1870 of certain sheds and stores at Goodalore

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