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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
14th May 1872.*

No. 236. Read the following letter from the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Bellary, 18th April 1872, No. 143 :—

I HAVE the honour to forward, for the orders of Government, the enclosed list* of tools stated not to be forthcoming in the Pullumpett Taluq at the

time Mr. Overseer Wade handed over temporary charge of the taluq, when proceeding on privilege leave, to the Local Fund Overseer.

2. Mr. Wade did not return to duty on the expiry of his leave, but obtained an extension, and had the whole period converted into sick leave. In the meantime Mr. Wade was dismissed for irregularities in the Pullumpett Taluq, reports of which are now before Government.

3. From the copy of the Local Fund Overseer's letter (attached) to the Officer in charge of Pullumpett Range, I gather that Mr. Wade's sudden departure was due to ill-health, and that he took charge of certain of the tools by actual counting and accepted of receipts for the remainder, as they were at the time with contractors who were then working or had completed their work but had not returned the tools probably expecting to have other work. In this they were no doubt disappointed, as for a time I had stopped all work in the Pullumpett Taluq until I had completed my investigation.

4. I have from time to time issued very stringent orders to the members of the department about discountenancing the lending of Government tools to contractors and other piece workmen, and when they were obliged to do so to obtain adequate security in cash, if possible, so as to reduce the risk of loss to Government to a minimum. This precaution was evidently not followed by Mr. Wade, nor does it appear Mr. Cowley (Supervisor now under suspension) looked to see if his Overseers carried out the orders issued for their guidance.

5. The production of receipts from the various parties in possession of the tools leaves no doubt of their actual issue, and the probability of Mr. Wade, had he returned to duty when his privilege leave was out, being able to recover a good portion of what he lent; but Mr. Wade is not now in the department, and we have

* No. 842, dated 28th February 1872. no money of his, the last (Rupees 103-8-9)

having been paid away by advice* transfer through the Controller of Public Works Accounts, Hyderabad, by the Controller of Public Works Accounts, Madras, *without*, as far as I can gather from the records before me, reference to either the Pullumpett Range Officer or my myself. I trust Government will deprecate such a procedure being in future followed.

6. Under all the above circumstances it but remains for me to recommend that the missing tools valued at Rupees 204-11-0 (less Rupees 20-11-0 at 10 per cent. for fair wear and tear) may be written off.

7. Mr. Hunter will be directed to keep the receipts, so that at any future time should the men who granted them again take up works, to avail himself of the opportunity to recover the money value for the tools they may have had lent to them.

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14th May 1872.*

From the Local Fund Overseer in temporary charge of Pullumpett Taluq, to the Officer in charge of Pullumpett Range, dated Rajampett, 13th September 1871.

BEGS to report that when he was taking over charge from Mr. Overseer Wade the tools in the taluq are merely counted from receipts of the contractors produced by Mr. Wade, and he was directed by the Range Officer to take charge in sudden, and Mr. Wade being ill; on inquiry after about the contractors, etc., for collecting tools found by name of Moothoosawmy Iyar absent from the taluq, upon which he have asked the Overseer Mr. Wade on the 25th August 1871, while he returned to Rajampett by communicating this office docket No. 59, dated 25th August 1871, upon which he has not received any reply for the above; therefore, respectfully begs to inform you that the Overseer Mr. Wade should be made responsible until he gives him satisfactory explanations to his above docket.

2. Further begs that the Local Fund Overseer is unaware of the transactions in taking over charge of a taluq, as this being the first occasion, and, therefore, respectfully begs that the Range Officer will be kind enough to make arrangements in question and issue orders both to Mr. Overseer Wade and the Local Fund Overseer; moreover, considering that the Overseer Mr. Wade will be back from his privilege leave; therefore, Local Fund Overseer has not taken particular care in demanding to produce the tools instead of receipts, and now the Overseer Runga Row, who was transferred to this taluq, declines to take over charge of the tools until either the parties possess tools or tools produced for his inspection.

3. A true copy of the docket sent to Mr. Overseer Wade is herein enclosed for your kind perusal.

No attention was paid to this letter by Mr. Cowley, and Mr. Wade was not called upon for any explanation.

Cuddapah,
23rd March 1872.

(Signed) A. W. HUNTER, C.E.,
Asst. Engr., Pullumpett Range.

List of Tools not forthcoming in the Taluq of Pullumpett while under charge of Mr. J. Wade.

No.	Name.	Rate.			Amount.		
		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
55	Axes, pick, Europe	0	12	0	41	4	0
11	Do., felling	1	15	0	21	5	0
3	Chisels	0	5	0	0	15	0
7	Do., stone-cutters'	0	8	0	3	8	0
2	Files, medium	0	12	0	1	8	0
1	File, small	0	8	0	0	8	0
5	Gimlets	0	8	0	2	8	0
75	Mamooties, Europe	1	2	0	84	6	0
1	Crowbar	1	0	0	1	0	0
43	Hand hammers	0	15	0	40	5	0
2	Hammers, stone-cutters'	0	7	0	0	14	0
5	Bill hooks	1	4	0	6	4	0
1	Wedge	0	6	0	0	6	0
Total...					204	11	0
Deduct at 10 per cent. for fair wear and tear					20	11	0
Total...					184	0	0

Cuddapah,
March 1872.

(Signed) A. W. HUNTER, C.E.,
Asst. Engr., Pullumpett Range.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
14th May 1872.*

No. 237.

ORDER THEREON, 14th May 1872, No. 1,226.

ACCOUNT, No. 21.

UNDER the circumstances explained there appears to be no alternative but to authorize the tools enumerated in the

statement accompanying the Superintending Engineer's letter above recorded to be written off the books, and the Government accordingly sanction the proposal.

2. Referring to the concluding portion of paragraph 5 the Government observe that the Controller would not be warranted in withholding pay due to a member of the department except under special authority; and as it does not appear that any intimation was given to the Controller of the circumstances of the missing tools either by the officer who relieved Mr. Cowley or by the Superintending Engineer, the only course open on a claim being preferred by Mr. Wade for his salary was that pursued. As it is, several months have been allowed to elapse before making a reference on the subject to higher authority.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,

Officiating Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division.
.. Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

GOVT. OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS.

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER.

3rd Division.

207. 400. 80.

Dated 20th May.

Encl.

Encl.

1. D. 1000 May 1872 No. 1,225.

MAY.

No. 236-237

Tools. - The writing of the books concerning tools belonging to the Pullumpett Taluk, Cuddaput District, authorized with remarks.

No. 143

Superintending Engineer's Office.

3rd Division.

Bellary 18th April 1872

From.

The Superintending Engineer

3rd Division.

To,

The Secretary to Government

Public Works Department

Fort Saint George

Enclosures. 2.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for the orders of Government the enclosed List of tools stored out to be forthcoming in the Pullumpett Taluk at the time Mr. Currier Wade handed over temporary charge of the Taluk, when proceedings on Privilege leave, to the Local Fund Oversee.

2. Mr. Wade did not return to duty on the expiry of his leave but obtained an extension and had the whole period converted into Sick leave. In the meantime Mr. Wade was dismissed for irregularities in the Pullumpett Taluk reports of which are now before Government.

3. From the copy of the Local Fund Oversee's letter (attached) to the Officer in charge of Pullumpett Range, I gather that Mr. Wade's sudden departure was due to ill health and that he took charge of certain of the tools by actual counting and accepted of receipts for the remainder as they were at the time with Contractors who were then working or had completed their work, but had not

returned

6. Under all the above circumstances, it but remains for me to recommend that the suffering tools valued at

7. Mr. Hunter will be directed to keep the receipts so that at any future time should the same who granted them require to be up worked, so avoid himself of the opportunity to recover the money value for the loss they may have had lent to them.

Your most Obedient Servant
 Wm. H. C. Lieut. Col. R.E.
 Superintending Engineer &c. &c.

x 226 Elm St. 28th
Feb 1872

1874
From, *Chas. J. [unclear]*
June 1995

The Superintending Engineer
3rd Division.

To,

The Secretary to Government.
Public Works Department.
Fort Saint George.

No. 143

Dated *15* *Sept* 187*9*
Received *22* *Sept* 187*9*

See: 2.

*It is recommended to order a bridge
to be built, the Government. That
there is no way to connect
the two islands, and it is suggested that we
should be thinking.*

See 1226-14 Aug 1922

See 226
6074/1922

List of tools not forthcoming in the taking of
Pullumpoll while under charge of Chas. W. B. B.

No.	Name	Rate	Amount	Remarks
100.	Acres Hill Europe	1.12	11.40	
11.	" Shelling	1.15	21.50	
3.	Chisels	1.00	10.00	
4.	" Stone Cutters	1.80	5.80	
2.	" Axes Headed	1.12	1.80	
1.	" Small	1.80	8.00	
5.	Spindles	1.80	2.80	
75.	Hammered Europe	1.12	84.60	
1.	Hammered	1.00	1.00	
45.	Wood & Hammered	1.15	40.50	
2.	Hammered Stone Cutters	1.12	11.40	
5.	Bill Hooks	1.11	6.40	
1.	Wedges	1.00	6.00	
			201.70	

Deduct @ 10 per cent for
fair wear & tear } 20.17
Total Repairs 181.53

C. W. B. B.
March 1872

C. W. B. B.
Assistant Engineer

1226. P. W. B.
Proceedings of the Board of Govt.
Read the following

From
The Supt. Engineers
3^d Div. } (18. E. L. 104 3 3 18 April 1872)

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or by the Suptg. En-
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G.M.W.

To
The S. Eng. 3^d Div.
" Contr. P. W. & V.
Desps. 15/5/72

C/O 1995

Govt. of (1872) India.

PUBLIC WORKS.

The Superintending Engineer
301 (Division)

Date

Dec.

1902

14th May 1902 No. 1226.

Nos. 236 & 237

Works. The writing of the
books certain books ^{belonging}
to the Pullumpett Taluk,
Ludhiana D.C., authorized
with remarks.