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Public Works DEPARTMENT

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Read the following papers:—

No. 15. From C. A. BADHAM, Esq., Acting Manager of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. MULLINS, R.E., Chief Engineer for Irrigation and Joint Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 25th March 1873, No. 65.

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt, this morning, of the order of Government (No. 877 of 26th instant) sanctioning the proposed removal of the Head Office of the Company from Madras to Kurnool; but with reference to paragraph 3 of the order, I beg to explain that in my proposal to Mr. Latham, upon which that gentleman's report to you is based, I contemplated such arrangements in regard to stores as would preclude the necessity for any expenditure in the removal of any portion of them. I proposed that the Government should be asked to select from our stock such articles as are suitable for their establishments, and that the balance, which I hoped would consist chiefly of unserviceable articles, should be sold by auction, and I am bound to inform you that if there is to be any expenditure in the removal of stores to Kurnool or elsewhere on the canal, the cost of the transfer will be by so much increased.

2. You will permit me to state that, as a question of policy, it is in my opinion most inadvisable to remove any portion of our Madras stores to up-country stations.

3. The system which during my eight or nine years' tenure of office I have uniformly pursued, of never making a purchase of stores so long as we had in stock an article which could in any way be utilized for the purpose required, has had the desirable result of almost entirely eliminating from our stocks of stores really serviceable articles, and, as regards our Madras stock, I question if, with the exception of acknowledged surpluses, there are any articles, certainly there are very few, which in the present circumstances of the canal, or even if we resume operations, are likely to be utilized. An inspection of our list will sufficiently prove this, and I think it will be admitted that it is not desirable to incur expense in the removal to the canal of articles which cannot be used on the works.

4. I shall be very much obliged if you will consider whether the Government might not be asked to sanction the arrangement originally proposed. I append an extract from my report to the Chief Engineer, by which you will see exactly what that proposal was.

Extract from the Acting Manager's letter, No. 63, dated 31st January 1873, to the Chief Engineer.

THE first difficulty which occurs to me is in regard to the stock of stores in Madras. If the establishment is to be removed to Kurnool what is to be done with the stores? To remove them to Kurnool is out of the question, and if a separate establishment is to be maintained for their custody and manipulation, the transfer of the office to Kurnool will no longer be a measure of economy, or only very partially so.

2. A very large proportion of these stores consist of articles which are not, and never were, likely to be utilized on the canal, and even of those adapted to our purposes, the bulk may now be set down as surplus and unnecessary. They have been in stock for many years—almost from the commencement, and they are undergoing gradual but sure deterioration.

What then is to be gained by keeping them?

1st July 1853.

3. It is true we have the sanction of Government to sell at a certain per-centage off first cost, and we have from time to time sold a few articles under this arrangement by private contract. Doubtless we may expect occasionally to effect further sales, but the process is so slow that very many years must elapse before any appreciable effect is produced upon the stock. *

4. I would suggest, for your consideration, whether the Government might not be asked to make a selection of such articles as their establishments can utilize at such a per-centage below the prices at which they can import similar articles as will render the transaction pecuniarily beneficial to them.

5. This would answer the Company's purposes, and, as far as the Government are concerned, they would have a double interest in carrying out the arrangement. It is as important to them as it is to us that the stores paid for by the Guaranteed Capital should be profitably utilized before they become valueless, and by the plan proposed they, the Government, would save something by purchasing of us.

6. The remainder of the stores, with the exception of certain valuable articles, as machinery etc., might, with the consent of Government and after due advertisement, be sold by public auction for what they would fetch.

7. For the custody in Madras of the reserved articles it would be very easy to arrange.

From C. A. BATHAM, Esq., Acting Manager of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. MULLINS, R.E., Chief Engineer for Irrigation and Joint Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 18th April 1873, No. 82.

At the request of the Chief Engineer I have the honour to hand you an extract of a letter which I have received from that officer, with reference to the measures sanctioned by the Order of Government, No. 877, of 20th March 1873.

2. I have thought it right to comply with Mr. Latham's request that I should make you acquainted with his views, but I ought to add that your letter, No. 1 of 3rd instant, has placed the provisions of the order, in regard to stores, in a different light, and that I do not think there need now be any difficulty.

Extract from the Chief Engineer, No. 173, of 11th April 1873.

(Your No. 187 of 7th instant). It is clear that most of the stores now in Madras would, if moved to Kurnool, actually be of less value to the Company than they are now in Madras, however low their value in Madras is. The Company's officers would not be justified in transferring such stores, even if ordered to do so by Government. To have fixed upset prices diminishes the attendance and the bidding amongst those who do attend very much. In fact, I do not see how a native could safely give another, his agent or friend, authority to bid at a sale of goods he had not seen, at upset prices; whereas distant merchants will give such authority to bid at open sales. Thus, if very low upset prices be fixed, the Company would be certain of the depreciating effect of the low figures, and would lose all the benefit of a well advertised open sale. Please make my views on this point known to the Government officers, officially if at all desirable, and assure them that I am strongly in favour of an open sale.

Endorsement of the District Engineer, Presidency, dated Fort St. George, 23rd May 1873, No. 796.

From J. N. GRAINGER, Esq., General Superintendent of Public Works Stores and Workshops, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. GODDARD, R.E., District Engineer, Presidency, dated Chupank, 29th May 1873, No. 340.

With reference to your endorsement, No. 3,964, dated 26th March 1873, directing my attention to paragraph 2 of G. O., dated 20th March 1873, No. 877,

1st July 1873.

I have the honour to enclose a list of articles which I selected for use of the Public Works Workshops from the Stores available for sale with the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, showing the price fixed by the Company and that offered by me; but which Mr. Bellan, the Acting Manager, declines to accept, as he considers the prices which I propose to give for the most part quite incommensurate with the cost and value of the articles. Considering that the articles have been in stock for a long time and have deteriorated (several parts of the machines being lost), I do not think the prices I have offered unreasonable.

Irrigation and Canal Company.

Quantity.	Description.	Price as per Madras Irrigation and Canal Company.			Price offered.		
		RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
	<i>Machinery.</i>						
2	Wall-drilling Machines Each.	585	14	0	230	0	0
1	Planing Machine	786	4	3	100	0	0
	<i>Tools.</i>						
218	Bolts, Tower, 12 inches Each.	0	5	0	0	3	9
72	" flush, brass, 3 inches "	0	1	10	0	1	4
68	" " 4½ " "	0	2	0	0	1	6
1 Set.	Boxes and taps for cutting wood screws, 1 inch Per set.	2	9	9	1	15	4
1	" " 1½ " "	3	1	11	2	5	6
1	" " 1½ " "	1	13	9	1	6	4
420½ lbs.	Chains, iron, crane, ¾ inch Per lb.	0	2	0	0	1	6
2,691 lbs.	Files, saw, hand, 2nd cut, 6 inches Each.	0	0	10	0	0	7
60	Hinges, brass, butt, 3 inches "	0	2	11	0	2	3
22½ Pairs.	" " 4 " "	0	4	7	0	3	5
12	" " 2½ " "	0	14	1	0	10	6
23	" " 2 " "	0	3	0	0	2	3
24	" " 2 " "	0	1	9	0	1	4
73	" H wrought iron, 8 inches Per pair	0	3	4	0	2	6
36½	" H " 6 " Each.	0	2	5	0	1	10
	Hooks, Bill				0	14	0
1 Set of 6	Measures, copper, powder, from 1 oz. to 1 lb. ...	6	0	0	4	8	0
503	Tin sheets, common, single Per sheet.	0	1	3	0	1	0

CHICAGO,
20th May 1873.

1 List.
1 Original letter.

SUBMITTED, in original, to the Joint Secretary to Government, with reference to paragraph 2 of G. O., No. 877, dated 20th March 1873.

(Signed) J. GODDARD, Lieut.-Colonel, R.E.,
District Engineer, Presidency.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
1st July 1873.*

From C. A. BADHAM, Esq., Acting Manager of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. MULLINS, R.E., Chief Engineer for Irrigation and Joint Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 14th May 1873, No. 106.

I HAVE the honour to address you in continuation of my letter No. 100 of the 5th instant. In that letter I gave you the particulars of the offer which I received from Mr. Grainger, commented upon the very small dimensions of that gentleman's selection from our stores, and drew attention to the circumstance that practically the entire stock is still left upon my hands to be dealt with arbitrarily.

2. After the opinion which you expressed at the interview with which you favoured me this morning—that Mr. Grainger was not justified by the terms of the Government order in making me an offer for absolute acceptance or rejection, and the assurance you gave me that the Government would certainly allow fair prices for any articles taken for them, I would have abstained from further remark upon that officer's proceedings if it were not that I have received from the Chief Engineer a communication on the subject, the substance of which I am bound to make you acquainted with. That officer is of opinion, and I fully concur with him, that the prices offered by Mr. Grainger, especially those for the machinery (in one case *one-eighth of cost price*) are entirely incommensurate with the cost and value of the articles; that a discount of upwards of 66 per cent. upon book value, which Mr. Grainger's *aggregate* offer involves, cannot be looked upon as a reasonable arrangement, and that in justice to the Company the offer must be declined.

3. While conveying to you this expression of opinion, I am bound to add that I believe Mr. Grainger has, without the concurrence of the Government, been actuated by a not altogether blameable desire to obtain for his department at an apparently favourable opportunity a number of valuable articles at the minimum of cost.

4. In accordance with the suggestion which you were kind enough to make this morning, I have the pleasure to hand you a priced list of the (Madras) Stores, and I shall be very much obliged by your using your influence to secure that as many as possible of the articles as can be used by the Government Departments shall be taken over by the Government.

5. As an inducement to purchase, I propose, with your concurrence, that the selling rates to the Government Departments shall be:—For purchases over Rupees 3,000 and under Rupees 5,000 30 per cent. off book value.

Rupees 5,000 to Rupees 10,000, 35 per cent.

„ 10,000 to „ 20,000, 40 „

„ 20,000 and upwards, 50 „

and I further propose that if there be sales to more than one department the discount shall be calculated upon the aggregate amount.

6. The following extract from Mr. Grainger's letter will show that that gentleman's offer was intended for my acceptance or rejection:—“Should the prices offered for the articles be accepted, please let me know and I will send for them at once; if not, please reply accordingly.”

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
1st July 1873.*

No. 18.

No. 16. *Note by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.*

I THINK the General Superintendent, Public Works Stores has not, at least in one instance, properly appreciated the wishes of Government with regard to such stores, belonging to the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, as could be utilized either in the Workshops or elsewhere. I have, at the Acting Manager's request, seen the planing machine, which stands on the Company's books at a value of Rupees 786-4-3, and I do not think the amount, Rupees 100, at which Mr. Grainger values it, is a price which it would be fair to the Company to offer for it.

2. It is doubtful whether the book value of the wall drilling machines is in relation to their cost price in England; for there is a vertical drill which is priced at exactly double the sum entered against the wall drills, and it would seem that the total cost of the three drills has been accidentally divided in the proportions shown in the books. What the proper value of the wall drills may be I cannot say, but probably Mr. Grainger has Engineers' price lists which would enable him to value them with sufficient accuracy.

3. Mr. Grainger's valuation of the tools shown in his list has apparently been obtained by deducting 25 per cent. from their book value. It would seem to be better to offer the price which they may be worth, taking their actual condition and quality into account.

4. A further communication from the Acting Manager on this subject is submitted to Government in continuation of the letter No. 100 of the 5th May, which was forwarded with my endorsement No. 13, dated 13th May 1873, and it will be seen that Mr. Badham offers to deduct a considerable per-centage from the book value of the stores, if any considerable quantity be taken on Government account.

OOTACAMUND, (Signed) JOHN MULLINS, Lieut.-Colonel, R.E.,
4th June 1873. Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

No. 17. ORDER THEREON, 1st July 1873, No. 1,704.

IRRIGATION, No. 1.

THE General Superintendent, Public Work Stores, will be instructed, through the District Engineer, Presidency, to

re-consider the valuation of the machinery and tools, which it is proposed to purchase from the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company on Government account, with reference to the remarks of the Chief Engineer for Irrigation. The Government desire that a fair price, based on the actual cost of the stores to the Company, on the price at which stores of similar quality can be obtained from England, and on the present condition of these stores, should be determined; and while, on the one hand, only such machinery and tools, etc., as can be utilized in the Public Works Department should be entered in the list of stores proposed to be purchased, the Government wish, on the other hand, all such stores as can be thus made use of, or which would otherwise have to be obtained on indent from England, to be included in that list.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
District Engineer, Presidency.
„ Acting Manager of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company.
Exd. S. T. Austin.
Spare Copies.

Extract from the Chief Engineer S^d 173 of 11 April 1873

(Your S^d 184 of 7th instant) It is clear that most of the stores now in Madras would if moved to Kurnool actually be of less value to the Govt than they are now in Madras, however low their value in Madras is. The Govt officers would not be justified in transferring such stores even if ordered to do so by Govt. To have fixed upset prices diminishes the attendance, and the bidding amongst those who do attend very much. In fact I do not see how a Native could safely give another (his agent or friend) authority to bid at a sale of goods he had not seen, at upset prices, whereas distant merchants will give such authority to bid at open sales. Thus if very low upset prices be fixed the Govt would be certain of the depreciating effect of the low figures, and would lose all the benefit of a well advertised open sale. Please make my views on this point known to the Government officers, officially if at all desirable; and assure them that I am strongly in favour of an open sale.

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I have the honor to be

Signed, J. H. Latham
Chief Engineer

J. H. Latham

No 82

From

Ms. Land Co. Co.

Moscow 18 April 1873

The Acting Manager
Ms. Land Co. Co.

Sir,

The Chief Engineer
For Immigration and
Joint Secretary to Government
Port Saint George

Sir,

At the request of the Chief Engineer I have the honor to hand you an extract of a letter which I have received from that Office with reference to the measures sanctioned by the Order of Government No 847 of 20th March 1873

I have thought it right to comply with Mr. La-
-Hans request that I should make you acquainted
with his views but I ought to add that your letter
No 1 of 5th Instant has placed the provisions of the
Order in regard to stores in a different light and that
I do not think there need now be any difficulty

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Yours Most Obedient Servant

[Signature]

Acting Manager

C. S. 1/2/55.

Wm
J. H. Manger
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of 20 March
and of 21 March.

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The General Superintendent
Public Works Workshops Station.

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Machines being lost) I do not
think the prices I have offered
unreasonable.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedient servant.

J. G. M. J. G. M.
M. J. G. M. J. G. M.

Demands for
of Articles required
by the Public Works
Department from the
Stores of the Indian
Department & Canal
Department.

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Recd 215
Pr. 215 18 May 73.

The Genl. Dyke
G. Dyke

Pr. 215 18 May 73

1735

No 55

Madras, India Canal Co.
Madras 25 March 1873.

From
The Acting Manager
M. J. C. Co.

To
The Chief Engineer for Irrigation
and Joint Secy to Government
Madras

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Your Most Obedt Servant.

A. R. C. C.

Extract from the Acting Manager's letter N: 43
dated 31st January 1873 to the Chief Engineer

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For the custody in Madras of the reserved articles it would be very easy to arrange.

13th/15.

Submitted 5th April 1873

PA. 3460/73

Dated 25th March 1873.

Recd 28th March 1873

Offer certain remaining

with reference to para 38

G.O. No 877 of 20 Dec 1872

reference to extract of memo

letter to the Chief Secy

The Chief Secy for Madras

The Dy. Commr. M. S. P. C.

Mr. J. J. P. C.

Mr. J. J. P. C.

Mr. J. J. P. C.

Letter No 340 of 20th May 1873, from the Genl Supt^g L. & S. Stores & Works, &c. &c.

No 796

Submitted in original to the Joint Secretary to Govt. with reference to para 2 of G.O. No 877 of 20th March 1873.

Notes
List
10th April

[Signature]

1st Secy to Govt.
25th May 1873

Dist. Engrs.
Presidency

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C.S. No 118.
1873

1/2 P.W. 3460/1

The Joint Secretary
to Govt. & Mr.
C.S. 796.

Dated 23rd May 1873.

Encd. 2.

Submit to original
letter from Mr. Secy. to Govt.
Mr. Stores, with reference
to the purchasing of cer-
tain stores from the
Madras Irrigation & Canal Coy.

No. 106

Madras Irrigation & Canal Coy.
Madras 14th May 1873.

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The Acting Manager
M. I. & C. C.

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The Chief Engineer
for Irrigation & Joint Secy to Govt.
Mr. St. George

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- Rs. 5000 to Rs. 10000. 35 per cent
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- Rs. 20000 and upwards 50 " "

And I further propose that if there be sales to more
than one department the discount shall be calculated upon
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I have the honor to be
Sir
Yours most aff. Servant

[Signature]
General Manager

[Initials]

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To the D. S. Stores
 21/11/1873
 8.26.42

11:106
 21/11/1873
 The Dy. Manager
 M. S. E. C.
 The Chief Engineer
 for Irrigation

21/11/1873
 Dec 15

Enclosure

Quoted further for the
 value of the Machine &
 and have a price
 list of the articles
 PW 3460/73

is a critical drill which is
priced at another dollar. The
sum entered against the mail
drills, and it would seem that
the total cost of the 8 mail drills
has been accidentally placed
in the proportion column in
the books. Note the gross
value of the mail drills is
8. I cannot say, however, if
Mr. Grayner has explained the
lists which would enable him
to value them with greater
accuracy.

3. Mr. Grinnard's valuation of the Louis shoes in his list has apparently been obtained by deducting 25 per cent from their list price. It would seem to me better to offer the shoes at the price they may be worth, taking their actual condition & quality into account.

4. Further communication from the Acting Manager on this subject is submitted to Government in continuation of the letter No 100 of the 5th May, which was forwarded with my memorandum No 13 dated 13th May 1936 and it will be seen that Mr. Bradham offers to deduct a considerable percentage from the book value of the stores, if any considerable quantity be taken on Government account.

Wanderer }
 4 June 1893. } Chief Surg. for Irrigation.

To The Secretary to Govt P.W. Co

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Reads the following

From The Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

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A.E. No. 18 of 14th June 1731

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For Mr. Secretary to Govt

Chief Engineer for Irrigation

Madras

14th June 1731

1704

For Mr. Secretary to Govt

Madras

Let the same be done with the present valuation of the stores of the P.W. Stores, and the same be done with the same.

1716.

1717 or 1718

from England, and
on the present condi-
tion of these stores,
should be determined;
and while, on the
one hand, only such
machinery & tools as
can be utilized in
the P.W. Dept. should
be entered in the list
of stores proposed to
be purchased, the
Govt. wish on the other
hand, that all such
stores as can be thus
made use of, or which
would otherwise have
to be obtained on
indent from England
to be included in
that list.

4/11/13

The Chief Secy to the Govt
- Asst. Secy to the Govt
- Acting Manager, P.W. Dept.

h: 15.17.

Draft 7/9/13

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The Chief Clerk for
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