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23rd July 1873.*

No. 385. Read the following letter from G. S. SAGE, Esq., District Engineer, Cuddapah, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Camp at Gurramcondah, 1st May 1873, No. 169 :—

I HAVE the honour to bring to the notice of Government that the District Engineer of Coimbatore having sent in a letter from one Overseer P. Seshachellum Naidoo to the address of Mr. Assistant Engineer Hunter, and requested me to inquire whether a sum of Rupees 60-10-0 has been justly deducted from his pay on account of certain missing tools when employed as Overseer of Royachoty Taluq in this district, I have referred the matter to Mr. Hunter and drew his attention to a previous docket, No. 763 of 1st July 1872, from the Superintending Engineer, late 3rd Division, copy of which is attached in the enclosure mentioned in the following paragraph.

2. From the correspondence received with letter No. 74, dated 24th April, (copy herewith sent,) Mr. Hunter does not seem to have taken steps to find out and report on the alleged missing tools immediately after the dismissal of Overseer, as he states he had only visited Royachoty in February 1872 and found this deficiency then. This man appears to have been suspended on the 16th November 1871, and dismissed the service on the following day. On the 18th idem he was directed to attend the Cuddapah Range Office to hand over all records, cash, etc., from which I conclude that he obeyed the orders of the Range Officer, but no mention is made therein regarding tools. In a subsequent docket, No. 63, dated 22nd April 1872, Seshachellum Naidoo was requested to deliver the missing tools, but no action was taken by him upon this or its reminder. He was again addressed on the subject on one or two occasions, but no satisfactory explanation was furnished by him. He is held responsible for not having kept receipts or proper vouchers on the taluq records for the distribution of tools, but his suspension and summary dismissal is to be taken into consideration in dealing with this case. It also throws responsibility upon the shoulders of the Range Officer for not having taken precautionary measures to trace this out at the time the Overseer handed over charge of his records, etc., but his inexperience in the department must have been the cause for the same.

3. Under these circumstances I have the honour to solicit the orders of Government as to whether the amount of Rupees 60-10-0, deducted on account of the value of the missing tools from the pay due to Seshachellum Naidoo, which is now under "deposit," is to be carried to the credit of Government or refunded to him; if the latter, the amount will have to be written off to "profit and loss" should Government think it proper.

No. 386. ORDER THEREON, 23rd July 1873, No. 1,860.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 42.

His Excellency the Governor in Council is of opinion that Overseer Seshachellum Naidoo having remained persistently silent since he was last supplied, under date the 28th October 1872, with the papers represented by him to be necessary to enable him to account for

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23rd July 1873.

the tools in question, the instructions contained in paragraph 3 of the Superintending Engineer's letter, No. 763, of 1st July 1872, should have been acted on without reference to Government, i.e., the case decided by the District Engineer on its merits with the papers and information at hand.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Cuddapah.
" " " Coimbatore.
" " " Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. S. T. Austin.
Spare Copies.

N. 924 of 16th November 1871

From

The Officer in Charge of
Cuddapah Range

To

P. Sashachellum Naidu
Enclosure in charge of
Payachetty Talook.

Informing that you are suspended from
your appointment from this date until
further orders pending sanction of Superin-
tending Engineer 3rd Division.

/ Signed / A. W. Munster C.E.
Assistant Engineer.

True copy of the above sent to the Superintending Engineer for information &c.

Endorsement made by the Asst. Engineer.

Directs with reference to L. O. N. 1890
of 9th June 1857 (vide page 547 of the Circular
Order Book of P. W. Department) to be complied.

/ Signed / A. S. Moberly C.E.
17th November 1871

Superintending Engineer

From the Range Officer in charge of
Custodapah

To P. Sacha Chellum Naidoo

Informing with reference to the Superintendent's
Engineers' Indorsement on this Office dated
No. 924 of 18th November 1871 and Government
Order No. 1890 of 9th June 1857 (Vide Page 547 of
C. A. Book of the D. P. M.) that you are
discharged from the Department.

Signed A. W. Hunter C. E.
Assistant Engineer

No. 937 of 18th November 71.

From the Officer in charge of Custodapah Range

To P. Sacha Chellum Naidoo

Directs to attend this Office at once to hand
over all records Cash &c.

Signed A. W. Hunter C. E.
Assistant Engineer

From the Range Officer No. 632 of 22nd April 72
To P. Sacha Chellum Naidoo

Informing that the undermentioned tools have
been outstanding against you, you are therefore
requested to return them without delay

ordered

or else the value of them will be recovered from
the pay due to you in this Office.

4 Axes, 2 Hammers, 13 Crowbars, 4 Limbels,
1 Hand saw, 2 Measuring Rods, 42. Iron nails
2 Panache hammers, 2 Irons and 1 stool.

Signed A. W. Hunter C. E.
Assistant Engineer

From the Range Officer No. 2512 of 23rd June 72
To P. Sacha Chellum Naidoo

Draws attention to this Office No. 632 of 22nd
April 1872 and requests to reply at once to the
above.

Signed A. W. Hunter C. E.
Assistant Engineer

From the Range Officer No. 342 of 24th June 72.

To the Superintending Engineer D. D.

In enclosing an Account Current and
list of tools outstanding against the Officer
Sacha Chellum Naidoo.

I have the honor to report that on the
25th of June 1872 I observed that several tools were
marked as lost by Sacha Chellum Naidoo.
I wrote a docket calling upon him to account
for the deficiency of these tools but he has not
replied to the same as yet.

I consequently request that you will
approve of my recovering the value of tools
from

from the pay and travelling allowance due to him

Signed J. W. Hunter C. E.
Range Officer

List of Tools to be accounted by P. S. Chellam
Kadur Lake Salook Revenue

No.	Name of Articles	Rate	Amount
4	Shovels	10	40
2	Carpenters hammers	8	16
18	Crowbars	1	18
4	Shinels	1	4
1	Hand saws	8	8
2	Measuring Rods	1	2
42	Maunies	1	42
2	Parah Measures	126	252
2	Shovels	1	2
1	Shovel	9	9

Total Rs. 340

24th June/72
Signed J. W. Hunter C. E.
Assistant Engineer

Account Current showing the Value of Tools to be accounted by
P. S. Chellam Kadur and the amount due to him

Particulars	Value of the Tools lost by him	Balance due to him
Travelling Allowance of P. S. Chellam from 1 st October 1871 to 31 st October 1871		15 10
Salary of P. S. Chellam from 1 st to 15 th June 1872		15 10
		30 20

24th June/72
Signed J. W. Hunter C. E.
Assistant Engineer

From the Superintending Engineer 3rd Div. No. 4632
1st July 1872

To the Officer in Charge Cuddapah Range
Your docket No. 342 of 24th June 1872

1. I inform that there appears nothing from the papers submitted to show what action was taken to recover the tools stated to have been "lost" by P. S. Chellam Kadur Lake Revenue Payachoty Salook beyond writing to him.

2. The Revenue suspension and summary decisions have to be taken into consideration in dealing with the case and it has not been explained what steps were taken at the time to properly release the Revenue. This conclusion has been arrived at, as it appears that the circumstance of certain tools being missing could only be brought to light in receipt of the Half yearly Return (ending it in approved 31st March 1872) or after an interval of some months.

3. P. S. Chellam Kadur should again be addressed on the matter (the letter being sent under cover duly registered) and he should be informed that time upto say the 20th July will be allowed him to send in his explanation on the case will have to be decided on merits with the papers and information at hand.

4. The Revenue of Payachoty Salook should also be called upon for further particulars (1) as to whether receipts of parties to whom the tools may have been lent are shown (2) If any sum is due to the Revenue.

the chance there is of eventually receiving the
value of the tools or the tools themselves (3) Mr
Richmond, who was in temporary charge
before Mr Elliot joined, took in the matter
regarding that the tools were being

5. It is to be hoped the case will be placed
before the Officer in a more complete form than
it has been.

6. The Pay due to Pasha Chellum Nador
may be retained until final orders are issued.

7. Signe J. James Verue Capt. R.E.
Off. Sup. Engineer

8. Part of the above details forwarded to Mr
Elliot for information and early reply.

5/11/72. T. W. Hunter C.E.
Asst. Engineer

From the Range Officer - No 392 of 5th July/72
To Pasha Chellum Nador

In sending a list of tools to be
accounted for by you, I am required to return
the tools mentioned in the accompanying list by the
20th July 1872 unless the value of them will be
recovered from the pay and travelling allowance
due to you.

Signe J. T. W. Hunter C.E.
Asst. Engineer

From Pasha Chellum Nador - 2/18th July/72
To the Range Officer Cuddalore

With reference to your docket No 392 of 5th July/72
concerning cover to a list of tools said to be deficient.
I beg to say that at this distant time and in the
absence of the last half yearly Returns furnished
by me, it is simply impossible for me to answer
the docket, but if you will kindly furnish me
with the last half yearly Returns I may then
be able to do so.

Signe J. Pasha Chellum Nador

From the Range Officer - No 551 of 20th Aug/72
To Pasha Chellum Nador

Your letter of 18th July 1872
Forwards Copy of Tools Return for the half
year ending 31st March 1872 and requests for
acknowledgement receipt together with reply
to this Office docket No 392 of 5th July/72.
An early reply is expected.

Signe J. T. W. Hunter C.E.
Asst. Engineer

From Pasha Chellum Nador - 2/23rd Sept/72
To the Range Officer

I am in receipt of your docket No 551 of 20th
August 1872 enclosing the half yearly Return
dated 31st March 1872 signed by Mr. Currier
P. P. Richmond, and beg to state that in my

Guddapah District Engineer's Office
 No. 171 Camp. Guddapah Dated 1st May 1873
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From

The District Engineer
 Guddapah

To

The Secretary to Government
 P. W. Department.

Enc. 2.

I have the honor to bring to the notice of Government that the District Engineer of Guddapah, having sent in a letter from one Oversee, C. Seshachellam & Noidoo to the address of the Asst. Engineer, Hunter, and requested me to enquire whether a sum of Rs. 60.00 has been justly deducted from his pay on account of certain missing tools which he claimed as Oversee of Royal Photoduplication in this District. I have referred the matter to Mr. Hunter and drew his attention to a previous decision No. 763 of 1st July 1872, from the Asst. Engineer, later Division, copy of which is attached in the enclosure mentioned in the following form:

2. From the Correspondence received, writes letter No. 763 dated 21st April (Copy herewith sent). Mr. Hunter does not seem to have taken steps to find out and report on the alleged missing tools immediately after the dismissal of Oversee as he states he had only visited Royal Photoduplication in February 1872 and

To
 The Officer in Charge
 Guddapah Range

To
 The District Engineer
 Guddapah

Dated 24th April 1873
 Recd 26th April 1873

P. W. 2775/73.

Oversee and certain cases

handover between the

Range Officer and the

late Oversee C. Seshachellam

and his report regarding the

tools lost by him.

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to the Credit of Government or refunded to him, if the latter, the amount will have to be written off to "Profit and Loss" should Government think it proper.

Yours truly
Sir

Your Most Obedient Servant

W. L. G.
District Engineer

No. 7869 P. M. d.
Pro. of the Madras Govt.

From the St. Mrs. Cuddapoh (H.S. No 169 of 1st May/73)

His Excellency the Governor
in Council is of opinion that
Bureau Schachellum Noidoo
having remained persistently
silent since he was last
supplied under date the
28th Oct/72 with the
papers represented by him
to be necessary to enable
him to account for the
tools in question, the in-
structions contained in
Para 3 of the Supy Engr's
letter No 763 of 1st July/72

P. M. 1873. No. 10
 2775. 2775.
 Due Dec 21st 1873

Could you not

Dear Secretary to Govt.
John. Q. A. ;

Parker 100
 Deeds 44
 Dec 5th } May 18th 1873.

End

Forwards Correspondence

cannot request the Ordinance to
withdraw the \$60.10, as the
due to it to be refunded to

Letitia Childman Fisk

Carried to the Credit of

Good evening!

Dec 1869. 23rd day / 73.

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Delivered to Lady. 6th May 1773

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on without reference to
Government. i.e. the Case
decided by the District
Engineer on its merits with
the papers & information
at hand.

GNW

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Dr. Liddar
" Comptroller
Controller

Dated 1/8/73

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To The District Chief
Cuddalore

Date

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G. O. 2. 2 July 1869

No. 3854

Inspector Teekachidum
Raias. Pappam. Mier
in letter from the D. S. S. S.
Cuddalore requesting
instructions as to the
disposal of the amount
held in deposit on ac-
count of certain tools
lost by the Amersley
then in the S. S.