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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

15th January 1879, No. 203 W.

Buildings and Roads.

Civil Works.

Read the following papers:—

No. 169. From F. N. THOROWGOOD, Esq., M.I.C.E., Superintendent, Madras Harbour Works, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 20th December 1878, No. 54.W.

I REGRET to have to report that a theft has been committed from this office, the property stolen being one 50-rupee note.

2. The note was locked up in the cash chest on the evening of the 18th instant by Mr. G. E. Jones, Accountant, who, on reopening the chest on the morning of the 19th, discovered that the note was missing. The number of the note cannot be traced.

3. Mr. Jones was the last person in the Accountant's office on the 18th and the first in on the 19th. During the night the office was as usual left in charge of two peons and a police constable, the constable being relieved at midnight by another.

4. The cash chest lock was uninjured, thereby showing that the theft was committed by the use of a duplicate key. There are two keys belonging to the chest—one in the possession of the Accountant and one in my own possession. On the night of the 18th the Accountant's key was in his personal keeping; my key was locked up in a drawer in my office, and did not appear to have been moved during the night.

5. The cash chest is one supplied from the Presidency Workshops, but the lock is not one of Chubb's or Hobb's patent, and a key might without difficulty be made to fit it.

6. I have placed the matter immediately in the hands of the police, who have arrested the two peons and both the constables who were on duty during the night.

No. 169-A. From the same Officer, dated Madras, 10th January 1879, No. 56 W.

In reply to your memorandum, No. 5,781, of 21st December 1878, and in continuation of my letter, No. 54 W, of 20th December, I have the honor to state that nothing further has been discovered to throw light on the theft of Rupees 50 from this office cash chest.

2. The Police have been unable to fix on any one as the thief, and have released the two peons and two constables who were detained on suspicion.

3. The cash chest which was supplied to the works in 1875 from the Public Works Workshops was not provided with a Chubb's patent lock, and I think there can be no doubt that a duplicate key was obtained and the chest unlocked.

4. All that I have been able to do is to discharge the four men who were in the office when the note was taken, and to provide a new and better cash chest for future use fitted with an excellent Chubb's lock.

No. 170. ORDER THEREON, 15th January 1879, No. 203 W.

ORDERED to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintendent, Madras Harbour Works.
" Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
Exd. J. W. Fischer.
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PUBLIC WORKS.

THE SUPERINTENDENT,
MADRAS HARBOUR WORKS.

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Dated January 15th.

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G. O., 15th January 1879, No. 203 W.

JANUARY.

No. 169-170.

Theft of a Currency Note for Rupees 50
from the Office of the Superintendent, Madras
Harbour Works. — Reports regarding the
recorded.

General

No. 54 IV

From

THE SUPERINTENDENT,
MADRAS HARBOUR WORKS.

To

Colonel G. A. Ford A. G.
Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Fort Saint George, 20th December 1878.
MADRAS.

Sir,

I regret to have to report that a theft
has been committed from this Office, the
property stolen being one fifty rupee note.

2. The note was locked up in the Cash
Chest on the evening of the 18th instant, by
Mr. G. E. Jones, Accountant, who on re-
opening the chest on the morning of the 19th
discovered that the note was missing. The
number of the note cannot be traced.

3. Mr. Jones was the last person in the
Accountant's Office on the 18th and the first in
on the 19th. During the night the Office was
as usual left in charge of two peons and a
police constable, the constable being relieved
at midnight by another.

4. The cash chest lock was un-injured
thereby

thereby showing that the theft was committed by the use of a duplicate key. - There are two keys belonging to the chest, one in the possession of the Accountant, and one in my own possession. - On the night of the 18th the Accountant's key was in his personal keeping: my key was locked up in a drawer in my office, and did not appear to have been moved during the night.

5. The cash chest is one supplied from the Presidency Workshops, but the lock is not one of Leubbs' or Hobbs' patent, and a key might without difficulty be made to fit it.

6. I have placed the matter immediately in the hands of the police, who have arrested the two peons and both the constables who were on duty during the night.

I have the honor to be,
Sir

Your most Obedient Servant

J. H. Mowgood. M. Inst. C. E.
Superintendent.
Madras Harbour Works

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General

From The Superintendent
Madras Harbour Works

A 54 W

Dated 20th December 1878

Ch. No. 571 d/21 Dec

Theft

Reports that a Currency Note
for Rs 50 has been stolen from
his Office Leath Chest. -

General

No. 56 W.

From

THE SUPERINTENDENT,
MADRAS HARBOUR WORKS.

To

Colonel E. A. Ford, R. E.
Chief Engineer,
Public Works Department,
Fort St. George MADRAS, 10th January 1879

SIR,

In reply to your Memorandum No. 578
of December 21st 1878, and in continuation
my letter No. 54 W of December 20th, I have
the honor to state that nothing further
has been discovered to throw light on the theft
of Rs 50 from this Office Leath Chest. -

2. The Police have been unable to fix
on any one as the thief and have released
the two peons and two constables who were
detained on suspicion. -

3. The Leath Chest which was supplied
to the works in 1875 from the Public Works
shops was not provided with a Kumb's pad
lock, and I think there can be no doubt that
a duplicate key was obtained and the chest

unlocked. —

4. All that I have been able to do is to discharge the 4 men who were in the Office when the note was taken, and to provide a new and better Cash Chest for future use, fitted with an excellent Chubb's lock. —

I have the honor to be

Sir
Your most Obedient Servant,

F. H. Thompson & Co. Architects
Superintendent
Madras Harbour Works

General

From The Superintendent
Madras Harbour Works

N. 56 W

Dated 10th January 1879.

Mr. H. H. ...

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E. P. H. ...

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Submits further report re-
garding the theft of Rs 50 in
his Office. -

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