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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

15th February 1879, No. 511 W.

General.
Account.

Read the following papers :—

No. 169. Endorsement of the Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle, dated Coimbatore, 9th January 1879, No. 37—8.

From W. G. NEWTON, Esq., Assistant Engineer, Salem, to the Executive Engineer, Salem, dated Salem, 7th December 1878, No. 396.

WITH reference to G.O., No. 4,326 W, of the 11th November, directing the adoption of the Examiner's suggestion that iron instead of wooden cash chests be supplied to officers of the department, I have the honor to point out that the letter of the Examiner was written and his suggestion made with direct reference to G.O., No. 3,274 W, of the 16th August 1878, in which I am ordered to refund Rs. 350 for the loss of a sum of Rupees 600 of Government money, of which Rupees 117-5-11 have been subsequently recovered.

2. In passing the present order, it appears that the principle that officers should be supplied with proper cash chests is admitted, and as I had not a proper cash chest, but one that is now condemned in consequence of the robbery from me, I venture to think that, if the matter is again laid before Government, the original order may be favorably reconsidered. For this object, I have therefore the honor to request that you will be good enough to forward this letter.

No. 60.

FORWARDED to the Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle.

2. I have never concealed my opinion that Mr. Newton ought not to be held responsible for the loss of the money in question, apart from the fact of the insufficiency (now for the first time brought forward) of the cash chest.

(Signed) J. PENNYCUICK, Major, R.E.,
Executive Engineer.

SANKARIDROOG,
11th December 1878.

FORWARDED to the Chief Engineer with a request that should he think right to do so the letter from Mr. Newton should be submitted to Government.

2. The undersigned cannot consider that the use of a wrought-iron cash chest would have prevented the loss of the money.

(Signed) H. R. MEAD, Major, R.E.,
Supg. Engineer, Fourth Circle.

No. 169-A. From Major L. CONWAY-GORDON, R.E., Examiner of Public Works Accounts, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, General Branch, dated Chepauk, 11th February 1879, No. 453 W.

WITH reference to G.O., No. 3,274 W, dated 16th August 1878, I have the honor to report that of the sum of Rupees 600 stolen from the cash chest of Mr. Newton, Assistant Engineer, a sum of Rupees 350 has now been recovered from that officer.

2. A further sum of Rupees 117-5-11 was recovered by the Executive Engineer, Salem Division, from the persons concerned in the robbery, and the irrecoverable balance of Rupees 132-10-1 is, I understand, to be charged to Profit and Loss.

3. I beg to request that the specific sanction of Government may be accorded to the latter charge.

No. 170. ORDER THEREON, 19th February 1879, No. 511 W.

HIS GRACE the Governor in Council declines to modify the orders already issued.

2. It is observed that the full amount of Rupees 350 has been recovered from Mr. Newton. The irrecoverable balance of Rupees 132-10-1 will be charged to Profit and Loss.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle.
" Examiner of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. C. Howarth.
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GENERAL.
ACCOUNT.

Govt. of (1879) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
FOURTH CIRCLE,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated February 19th.

Issued

Recd. Encl.

G. O., 19th February 1879, No. 511 W.

FEBRUARY.

Nos. 169-170.

Recovery of Rupees 350 from Mr. Assistant Engineer Newton.—Declines to modify the orders already issued for the —, and directs the irrecoverable balance of Rupees 132-10-1 be charged to Profit and Loss.

Salem
7th December 1878

No 396

From
W. G. Newton Esquire
Assistant Engineer,
Salem.

To
The Executive Engineer
Salem

Sir,

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From
The Supy Engineer
4th Circle
To
The Chief Engineer
P.W.D.

G.O 16-8-78 No 3274 W.
" 14-10-78 " 4012 W. origl
" 11-11-78 " 4326 W

Proc of 19-2-79 No 511 W

No 37/8

Dated 9th January 1879

Loss of Govt money and Cash Chest of Mr Newton Assistt Engineer Copies of correspondence relating to the ——— Endorsed for consideration of Government

Cir 30-1-79 Rd 27-1 No 133.

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FROM THE EXAMINER, P.W.ACCOUNTS,
MADRAS.

TO THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
GENERAL BRANCH.

CHEPAK, 11 FEBRUARY I879.

NO.453.W.

SIR,

WITH REFERENCE TO G.O.NO.3274.W.DATED I6TH AUGUST I878 I HAVE THE HONOR TO REPORT THAT OF THE SUM OF RS.600 STOLEN FROM THE CASH CHEST OF MR.NEWTON ASSISTANT ENGINEER, A SUM OF RS.350 HAS NOW BEEN RECOVERED FROM THAT OFFICER.

2. A FURTHER SUM OF RS.II7-5-II WAS RECOVERED BY THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, SALEM DIVISION, FROM THE PERSONS CONCERNED IN THE ROBBERY AND THE IRRECOVERABLE BALANCE OF RS.I32-I0-I IS, I UNDERSTAND, TO BE CHARGED TO PROFIT AND LOSS.

3. I BEG TO REQUEST THAT THE SPECIFIC SANCTION OF GOVERNMENT MAY BE ACCORDED TO THE LATTER CHARGE.

I HAVE THE HONOR TO BE,
SIR,
YOUR MOST OBEDIENT SERVANT,

L. Conway-Gordon

EXAMINER, P.W.ACCOUNTS & MAJOR R.E.

Prog 19-2-79 No 511 W

FROM THE EXAMINER, P.W. ACCOUNTS,
MADRAS.

TO THE SECY. TO GOVT. P.W.D.
MADRAS.

NO.452.W.

DATED 11 FEBRUARY 1879.

RECD.

REQUESTING SANCTION TO WRITE OFF THE IRRECOVERABLE BALANCE OF RS.122-10-1 OUTSTANDING IN THE MISCELLANEOUS ADVANCE ACCOUNT OF THE SALEM DIVISION.

Cn 13.2.

P.W.D.

Note.

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The Chief Engineer's opinion is opposed to Major Meads - Had the cash chest in question been a good wooden iron clamped one, the probability is that the lascars would not have ventured to commit the robbery - It was seeing the frail, insecure, cash chest that put the idea of robbing Mr Newton into their heads - The Chief Engineer therefore suggests a reconsideration of the orders in this case -

E.A. Ward Col: R.E.
Chief Engineer
P.W.D.

20 - Jany - 1879.

Cir 20-1-79 Rc 27/1 Rc 13/2

P. W. DEPARTMENT.

READ the following :—

Letter from the Examiner, P.W. Accounts, No 453 W
dated 11th Feb: 1879.

FOR ORDERS.

The papers relating to the recovery of a certain sum from Mr. Newton are circulated for final orders of Government. It appears from the Examiner's letter No. 453 W of the 11th instant that the amount of Rs: 350 has been recovered from Mr. Newton. Should it be deemed inadvisable to refund to Mr. Newton any part of that sum,

A.E.P. 13/2

Of Mr. Newton's primary
responsibility to adopt
precautions &c. there
can be no question.
A. G. having already declined
to reconsider the question of
the extent to wh. it shd be enforced
I have no more to say.

the Supdg Engineer will be advised accordingly, and the Examiner directed to have the irrecoverable balance written off to Profit and Loss.

Yes

E A Wood Col R.E.
Ch Engr & Secy to Govt
P.W.D.

13 Feb/79

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Mr Newton's

FOR ORDERS.

Col. W. Middleton
Mr. D. F. Carmichael
His Grace the

Salem

G.O. No 611 W - 19-2-

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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Letter from the Supdg Engineer Fourth Circle
No 37/8 d/ 9th January 1879.
Note by the Chief Engr P.W.D. d/ Jany /79

FOR ORDERS.

E A Wood Col R.E.
Secy to Govt P.W.D.

20 Jany 1879

I don't think the nature of the Cashbox affects the question — I should blame Mr Newton in for not taking reasonable precautions to secure Govt money. He was hiding it in a frail box from being carried off box & all. He went out to dinner leaving the

the box so that any one could carry it off. He wd. scarcely have been so careless of his own money.

At the same time I don't like the principle of imposing large pecuniary responsibility on officers whose small pay was not calculated to the [illegible] such risks.

I don't find Mr. Newton's name in our P.W. Estabt. list. He [illegible] seems to be a young officer & I suppose on small pay & I shd. be glad if H.E. wd. re-consider the amt. The recovery from him I think R. 200 wd be a sufficient penalty & warning [illegible] 27.1.79

Ci 20-1-79 Rc 27-1 Rc 13/2 [illegible]

FOR ORDERS.

~~Hon. W. Hudleston~~

~~H. Ex. the Governor~~

~~Hon. D. F. Carmichael~~

Council 29/1

The matter was fully considered at the time – & reconsidered – & I see no reason [illegible] for any change.

H.C. 28/1

[illegible] orders

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Genl Acct

Public Works Department.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 19 Feby/79

Read the following:-

From the Supdg. Engr. Fourth Circle (H.E. No. 37/8 of 9 Jany/79)
" Examiner Pr. Acts (" 453 W of 11 Feby/79)

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S. Engr. Fourth Circle
Exr. Pr. Acts

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Cn 1315

Govt. of {1879} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

11-2-79

Dated

Issued

Recd. Encl.

G. O., 19 Feby 1879, No. 511 W

Nos. 169-170

Recovery of Rs 350 from
Mr Asst Engr Newton

Declines to modify the
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of Rs 132.10.1 be charged
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