

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 19th January 1881.

Read the following letter from J. F. PRICE, Esq., Collector of the Chingleput District, to C. A. GALTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Saidápet, 23rd December 1880, No. 748 :—

I HAVE the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Board's Proceedings, Miscellaneous No. 13,964, dated 17th December 1880, and to submit the explanation therein called for.

2. The balance to which the Examiner of Public Works Accounts alludes in his letter to Government communicated in the Proceedings under reply is a portion of the large advances drawn by my predecessors from Public Works Officers for payment of compensation for lands taken up for the Madras Water Works and other Projects, and for Local Fund Works entrusted to Other Agency for execution. These amounts were disbursed by different officers to the parties concerned and spent on works for which they were allotted. The requisite vouchers were not, however, transmitted to the Examiner of Public Works Accounts, and the charges had long remained unadjusted.

3. When I joined the district in March 1878 there was a balance of about Rs. 30,000 to be accounted for. This amount was reduced to Rs. 2,283-1-1, which is that referred to by the Examiner. Rs. 768 have been subsequently adjusted, and the balance of Rs. 1,515-1-1 will, if possible, be accounted for in the returns for the current month, and the accounts with the Examiner finally closed before 31st proximo.

4. The remark quoted by the Examiner as mine is not. The objection statement upon which it was written was sent direct to the Treasury Deputy Collector, who replied to it direct, and I knew nothing of this particular matter. Had the Examiner written to me, I would have looked into it at once.

5. The items still unsettled are—

- (1.) Portion of compensation for the Puduváyil and Velliyur Road, Rs. 63-15-1. The vouchers for this cannot be found. Search is being made for them.
- (2.) Balance of outlay on Mangadu Road (incurred by the Cantonment Magistrate, Poonamallee, in 1876), Rs. 297-5-3. A completion certificate and vouchers were promised, but do not appear to have ever been sent. The correspondence is being traced out.
- (3.) Bridges and tunnels on the abovementioned road (incurred by Cantonment Magistrate, Poonamallee, in 1876), Rs. 223-7-0.—*Vide* remark made above.
- (4.) Road from Karunguli to Tirukalikundram (incurred by Sub-Collector in 1876). A completion certificate and vouchers have apparently not been submitted. The correspondence is being traced.
- (5.) Pooliyur Tank, Rs. 53-5-9. Nothing has as yet been ascertained regarding this item beyond that the money was drawn and expended.

SUBMITTED to Government with reference to their endorsement, dated 20th November, on letter from the Examiner, Department of Public Works Accounts, dated 13th November, No. 140-W.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) C. A. GALTON,
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
Copy to the Collector of Chingleput.

Exd. A. F. Goodall.

FROM MAJOR C.H. TRAIL R.E.

OFFG. EXAMINER P.W. ACCOUNTS,

MADRAS.

TO THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

MADRAS, 21 NOVEMBER 1880.

NO. 111/11

SIR,

I HAVE THE HONOR TO BRING TO YOUR NOTICE THAT A BALANCE OF RS.2,283-1-1 APPEARS IN THE BOOKS OF THIS OFFICE AGAINST THE COLLECTOR CHINGLEPUT FROM SUMS DRAWN BY HIM FROM TIME TO TIME AGAINST THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEERS LETTER OF CREDIT AND ON HIS BEING REQUESTED TO PAY THIS MONEY INTO THE TREASURY TO THE CREDIT OF THE P.W. DEPARTMENT IF NOT REQUIRED FOR EXPENDITURE ON OTHER THAN LOCAL ROAD WORKS, HE WRITES AS FOLLOWS UNDER DATE THE 6TH. NOVEMBER 1880:-

THE WHOLE OF THE BALANCE OF RS.2,283-1-1 WAS FULLY SPENT IN PREVIOUS YEARS AND NO PORTION OF IT IS AT PRESENT RETAINED IN CASH. THE PARTICULARS OF WORKS ON WHICH THE AMOUNT WAS EXPENDED HAVING BEEN ASCERTAINED THE OFFICERS CONCERNED WERE CALLED UPON TO SUBMIT BILLS IN SUPPORT OF THE CHARGES INCURRED. AS SOON AS THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS ARE RECEIVED ADJUSTMENT WILL BE MADE IN THE ACCOUNTS AND THE BALANCE CLEARED OFF.

2. I REFER THIS CASE FOR ORDERS AS I- ACCOUNTS

1881.

Board of Revenue.

To MADRAS.

The SECRETARY TO GOVT,
REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Dated January 19th.

Printed 28th.

Received

PROCEEDINGS, 19TH JANUARY 1881, No. 74.

JANUARY.

No. 74.

Advances—drawn from Public Works Officers by Collector of Chingleput for payment of compensation for lands taken up for Madras Water Works, &c.—Submitting to Government Collector's explanation regarding the delay complained of by the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, in accounting for the balance of the —.

No 2563

Referred to the
Collector of Chingleput,
through the Revenue
Dept., for explanation
as to the nature of the
expenditure and the
occasion of the drafts
on the Assistant Engineer

(By order)

[Signature]
Under Secy to Govt
P.W.D.

18 Nov 80

Forwarded in original
through the Board of Revenue to
the Collector of Chingleput for
submitting the necessary expla-
nation.

For Secy to Govt
28-11-80
Secretary to Govt
P.W.D.
10.11.80

Via "Forwards" Sheet.
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FROM THE EXAMINER P.W. ACCOUNTS,
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TO THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
P.W. DEPTT.

DATED 15 NOVEMBER 1880.

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C. A. Galton
Secretary, Board of Revenue

REPORTING TO GOVERNMENT THAT
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CONCERNED IT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE TO MAINTAIN ANY CONTROL.

I HAVE THE HONOR TO BE,

SIR,

YOUR MOST OBEDIENT SERVANT.

D. H. Fair

MAJOR D.F.
OFFICER EXAMINER P.W. ACCOUNTS.

