Public Works (1899) Department.

G.O., No. 392 W

DATED 8th Feb — 1899.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Stores

Directing that half the value of the broken glass received per S.S. Orissa be recovered from the Chief Storekeeper, P.W. Stores, for delay in returning the packing accounts of the Stores, and for furnishing certain incorrect information.

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P. W. DEPARTMENT.

READ the following :—

G.O. No. 2574 W dated 7th Oct 1898.
Endt of the Supdg. Engr., V Circle, No. 671 W d/ 27.10.98.
Letter from the Agent for Govt. Consignments No. C/375 d/ 16.11.98.
Endt of the Supdg. Engr., V Circle, No 790 W d/ 17.12.98.
——— Do ——— No. 57 W d/ 27.1.99

Circulated to ~~H.E. the Governor.~~

ORDER. No: 392 W d/ 8.2.99

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In his letter No. S 9649, dated 2nd Sept, 1898, the Director General of Stores, stated that, owing to the returned packing account of Stores, shipped to Madras by the S.S. "Orissa", on the 21st August, 1897, having only reached him on the 22nd August, 1898, it was impossible to maintain any claim against the suppliers for the loss of 11 pieces of rough plate glass which were found broken, the breakage being considered to be due to bad packing. This letter was communicated, by G.O. No. 2574 W dated 7th October, 1898, to the Supdg. Engr., V Circle, for
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turning the packing accounts.

. The Genl. Supdt. ~~of the~~ P.W. Stores at first stated that the packing account in uestion was despatched to e Agent for Govt. Consignments n the 10th Decr. 1897, and he xpressed his inability to explain why the D. G. of Stores did not receive it till the 22nd August, 1898.

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. Further inquiry elicited the fact that the packing account was not received by the Agent for Govt. Consignments from the P.W. Stores till the 21st April 1898. The Genl. Supdt. now reports that the Chief Storekeeper of the P.W. Stores is responsible both for the delay in the despatch of the packing accounts & for the incorrect information on which his statement referred to in para 2 above was based.

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4. The Chief Storekeeper's conduct is inexcusable, but taking into nsideration that his past d is good & that he is on retirement, H.E. the Governor in Council will inflict no severer punishment on him than to direct that half the value of the broken glass, viz Rs $\frac{27-10-3}{\cancel{55-4-6}}$, be recovered from him ~~in such instalments as the Supdg. Engr., V Circle, may consider suitable~~,

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Note.
The Storekeeper's pay is Rs 160, and a fine of half the value seems to be a sufficient punishment for the offence committed

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To
The Supdg. Engr., V Circle
" Examiner, P.W. Accts.

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Public Works (1899) Department.

CURRENT No. 882

Order

From The Supg Engineer
V Circle

No. 576

Dated 27th/30 January/99
Received
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SUBJECT.

Broken glass—

Reports that the Chief Storekeeper did not purposely furnish him with the wrong information regarding

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Copy of letter from H. A. Moss Esquire, General Superintende
P. W. Stores, to the Supg. Engineer, 5 Circle, No. 120 S.
dated 21st January 1899:—

With reference to your No. 14 P.W.S./c dated 14th
January 1899, I have the honour to report that
the value of the broken glass is Rs 55-4-6.

I do not consider that the Chief Storekeep
purposely furnished me with the wrong in-
formation and I do not think he would hav
been likely to do so seeing that any such
attempt must inevitably have been discovere
later on and he would naturally expect to be
severely punished for it.

The mistake arose thus:— The date
of despatch of each packing account was no
entered on the duplicate filed in the office
but the name of the steamer on the packing
account was entered against the despatch
date in the despatch register. When the Store
keeper consulted the despatch register he foun
the date of despatch given me against the
name Orissa in the register which was also the name on the Packing account for the glass.
He ought to have also carefully examined th
file of Packing accounts to make sure that
there was no other packing accounts with the
same steamer name. It was not altogether an
unnatural mistake to make but might hav
been

been prevented by his taking more care. All chance of a repetition of such a mistake is now avoided by the despatch date of every packing account being entered on the duplicate itself.

No 57 W

To the Chief Engineer, P.W. Department.

With reference to his No 131 C. dated 6 January 1899.

27.1.99
Colonel R.E.
Supg. Engineer 5 Circle

6.1.99

Public Works (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 19

No: 131C d/6-1-99

~~Order~~ Memo

With reference to his No. 790 W dated 17th Decr. 1898, the Supdg. Engr., V Circle, is requested to be good enough to report the value of the 11 pieces of rough plate glass which were found broken.

2. The Genl. Supdt. should also state whether he considers that the incorrect information, on which his letter No. 1815 L.S. d/ 19th Oct 1898 was based, was intentionally furnished by the Chief Storekeeper with a view to ~~screen~~ conceal the delay which occurred in the despatch of the packing account.

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To
The Supdg. Engr., V Circle

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From The Supg Engineer V Circle

No. 790 W

Dated 17th December/98

Received 2-1-99

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SUBJECT.

Packing Accounts – Forwards copy of the General Supdt's letter regarding the delay in the despatch of –

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SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,
No. 7/Jub/98
23 NOV. 1898

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

READ the following

Letter from the Director General of Stores, No. S. 9649, dated 2nd September 1898:—

The returned packing account of Remittance Stores shipped to Madras by the S.S. "Orissa" on the 21st August 1897, which reached me on the 22nd August 1898, shows that 11 pieces of rough plate glass were found broken in Case 726, the breakage being considered to be due to bad packing.

After so long an interval it would, I fear, be quite impossible to maintain any claim against the suppliers for the loss, which, in view of the fact that no breakage occurred in either of the other cases, may perhaps be due to a fall or a blow.

In all cases where a claim for dama- has to be made against a supplier it is essential that it should be made at the earliest possible date, and that evidence should be produced as to the absence of any signs of external injur

Where bad packing is alleged it is most important that full particula of the faultiness should be given, and it should

should
be stated whether the package shows any signs of having been opened.

Order thereon:- No. 2574 W, dated 7th October 1898.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer, V circle, for information and guidance, and for explanation of the delay in returning the packing account. &c

It seems necessary that the contents of all cases of stores should be examined on receipt and discrepancies, breakages &c brought to immediate notice.

(True Extract)
(Signed) W. B. de Winton.
Secretary to Government.

To
The Superintending Engineer, V Circle.

(True Copy)

M. A. Jayarama Mudaliyar
Head Clerk, P. W. Secretariat.

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SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER'S OFFICE
No. 2/11/01 W
23 NOV 1898
V. CIRCLE, P. W. D., [illegible]

Copy of a letter from H. A. Moss Esquire, General Superintendent, P. W. Stores, to the Superintending Engineer, 5 Circle, No. 181 S.E.5 dated 19 October 1898:-

With reference to your No 472 P.W.S. dated 11th October 1898, I have the honour to inform you that the case in which the glass was received showed no signs whatever of damage or of having been opened. In that case it would have been surveyed immediately on being landed. It was not unpacked for sometime owing to various circumstances and thus the packing account was not despatched to the agent for Government Consignments till 10th December 1897 though the case was received in On October 1st why the Director General of stores did not receive the packing account till 22nd August 1898 of course I cannot explain.

If there had been any reason to suspect bad packing from the outside appearance of the case it would have been opened and the contents reported on immediately. We have however since been particularly careful to open all cases without any delay.

No 671 W

To the Chief Engineer, P.W. Department, with reference to G.O. No. 2574. W dated 7 October 1898.

27/28 October/98

Colonel R.E.
Offg Supg. Engineer 5 Circle

22.10.98

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Public Works (1898) Department.

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No: 5019 C d/14 Novr: 98.

~~**Order**~~ Memo

AGENT GOVT. CONSIGN...
15 NOV. 1898
MADR...

Referred to the Agent for Govt. Consignments for report as to the apparent delay in the despatch of the packing Account referred ~~to~~ by ~~to~~ the Director General of Stores.

A. L. Russell.
Under Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

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SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER'S OFFICE
No. 3/11614
23 NOV. 1898
CIRCLE, P. W. D., MADRAS.

with Copy of G.O. No. 2574 W d/ 7.10.98.

From The Supg Engineer 5th Circle.

No. 671 W

Dated 27/28 October 1898.

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SUBJECT.

Offers explanation as to the delay Caused in returning the Packing Account of the Case Containing rough plate glass to the director Genl. of India.

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Referred to the
Agent for Govt. Consignments
for report as to the delay
in the despatch of the
packing account referred
to, to the Director General
of Stores.

Under Secretary to Govt. P.W.D.

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[200—20-7-97.]

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No. C/375

OFFICE OF AGENT FOR GOVERNMENT CONSIGNMENTS,
Madras, 16 th November, 1898.

From
~~H. D. BADDELEY, Esq~~,
The AGENT FOR GOVERNMENT CONSIGNMENTS

To
The Under Secretary
to Government, P.W.D.,
Madras.

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER'S OFFICE, MAS.
No. 4/1161 W
23 NOV. 1898

SIR,

In returning herewith the endorsement of Government in the Public Works Department No. 5019 C dated 14th Instant, I have the honor to state that a Packing Account duly receipted relating to levelling instruments of the Public Works Stores per S.S."Orissa" was received from the General Superintendent, P.W.Stores in this Office on the 11th December 1897 with his covering letter No. 33 S dated 9th idem, and forwarded direct to the Accountant General Madras on the 15th December 1897 for transmission to the Director-General of Stores, India Office. Another Packing Account referring to the case of plate glass in question, was recived in this Office from the General Superintendent, P.W.Stores, on the 21st April 1898 with his letter No. 2 S dated 15th idem and sent as usual to the Presidency Port Officer, who appears to have finally despatched it to the Accountant-General Madras in June 1898 with information of the freight bill in which recovery of the value of stores found deficient

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SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,
No. 1/539 P.W.
14 DEC. 1898
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and damaged was required to be made.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant,
W. Aves.
Commander, R.I.M.,
For Agent for Government Consignments.

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~~Marine~~ (1898.) Department.

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No. 116 P.W.
23 NOV. 1898
V. CIRCLE, P.W.D.

P.W. STORES,
R. No. 305 S.P.
28 NOV. 1898
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MADRAS.

From The Agent for
Government Consignments
Madras

No. C/375

Dated 16th November 98
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SUBJECT.

Reporting the dates on which two Packing Accounts of P.W. Stores per S.S. "Orissa" were received from the General Supt P.W. Stores Madras and forwarded to the Accountant General for transmission to the Director-General of Stores India Office

No. 5201 C.d/22nd Nov. 1898

Order Endt.

Referred to the Supt. Engr., V Circle, for further inquiry and report.

It would appear that the packing account in question only reached the Agent for Govt. Consignments on the 21st April 1898.

A. C. Russell
Under Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

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No 13 P.W.S./C

29 NOV 98

Forwarded to the General Supt. P.W. Stores for report, with reference to his No 181 S.E.S. d/19 Oct 1898.

C. L. Lamm
27.11.98
Colonel R.E.
Supg. Eng. V Circle

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Copy of a letter from H. A. Moss Esquire, General Superintendent, P. W. Stores, to the Supdg: Engineer, 5 Circle, No. 242 S.E.5 dated 13 December 1898:.

With reference to your No. $\frac{13\text{ P.W.S.}}{c}$ dated 27th November 1898 I regret to have to report that the delay in the despatch of the packing account in question and the error in the date of despatch given in my No. 181 S.E. 5 dated 19 October 1898 took place in this office.

The Chief Storekeeper of the P. W. Stores is responsible both for the delay and for the incorrect information on which I wrote my letter No. 181 S.E.5 dated 19th October 1898 referred to. His conduct in the matter is inexcusable and much as I dislike reporting any of my subordinates, I feel forced to bring it to notice.

The Chief Storekeeper has I consider by his neglect rendered himself liable to be called on to make good the value of the glass broken. But as he is an old man and will take his pension in a very few months and as this is the first time I have had to really seriously find fault with his conduct I request that he may be leniently dealt with. I have hitherto found him as a rule careful and trustworthy and do not wish to spoil his record of good service more than I can help.

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The file of papers sent is herewith returned.

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N 790W

To the Chief Engineer, P. W. Department, ith reference to his No. 5201.C. dated 22nd November 1898 herewith returned.

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22.11.98.

17.12.98

Colonel R.E.
Supg. Engineer 5 Circle.

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