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Government of Madras.

Political DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 578 Press Mis.

Dated 16 — 8 — 1838

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No. 28. From G. L. PRENDERGAST, Esq., Accountant General; to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 31st July 1858, No. 125.

SIR,

1. As directed in the Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, dated 23rd and 27th April and 16th July 1857, Nos. 314, 324, and 551, I have the honor to report for the information of Government the result of my examination of the Vouchers, with the two Accounts Current rendered by the Dewan of the Carnatic Sircar for sums received and disbursed by him. The first one of them relates to the transactions from 8th October 1855 to 31st January 1857, and the second contains those for February and March 1857. In comparing the several items contained in the first Account Current, certain discrepancies were found in some of the items; and they have been all rectified in communication with the Dewan through the Agent. According to the Accounts furnished by the Dewan, the amount drawn by him from the Sub-Treasurer, &c., during the period above mentioned, is Rupees 12,23,011-3-3, which, being added to the balance of Rupees 16,628-7-6 that remained in the Sircar Treasury on the 8th October 1855, gives a total of Rupees 12,39,639-10-9. The charges incurred by him are shewn to be Rupees 12,38,636-2-0, but according to the Vouchers received and examined in this Office, they amount to Rupees 12,38,643-10-0 and the Cash Balance on 31st March 1857, should therefore be Rupees 996-0-9, instead of Rupees 1,003-8-9, as shewn in the Account Current of the Dewan. This difference of Rupees 7-8-0, which was omitted to be included in the Disbursement part of the Account Current, has been admitted by the Dewan to be correct.

2. It may be proper to bring to the notice of Government that the Accounts Current contain a head "Arrears of Wages due to the discharged and deceased Servants of the Department," and that the salaries due from July 1845 are entered as paid under that head. The payments made for several months on this Account amount to Rupees 56,720-5-3, and they are all supported by Vouchers.

3. In my letter to Government of the 17th February last, No. 350, I intimated that the translation of the Persian Vouchers then at hand has been completed and that the examination of the Account Current with the Vouchers (from 8th October 1855 to 31st January 1857) by the English Accountant, was then being carried on, a report will be submitted to Government on its completion. The surplus left undrawn out of the sanctioned amount was, as then reported, Rupees 374-13-6, out of which Rupees 76-12-5 was since drawn for the English Accountant, leaving still a surplus undrawn of Rs. 298-1-1.

4. The Vouchers for February and March 1857, were received from the Dewan on 28th May 1858. I employed a Moonshee to translate them from 4th June to 7th July Instant. I request therefore that Government will be pleased to authorize the Civil Auditor to pass my Bill for the salary of the said Moonshee for the period in question, at the rate of 30 Rupees per mensem. After deducting the salary last mentioned, there will still be a surplus of Rupees 264-4-8 left undrawn out of the amount sanctioned by Government, under date 25th February 1858, No. 136.

No. 29. ORDER THEREON, No. 518; dated 16th August 1858.

In communicating the foregoing letter to the Government Agent at Chepauk, the Government resolve to draw his attention to certain payments noticed in para: 2, amounting to Rs. 56,720-5-3, stated to have been made on account of salaries due from *July* 1845, and entered under the head of "Arrears of wages due to the discharged and deceased Servants of the Department." The Agent will call upon the Dewan for an explanation respecting these arrears, by whom they were investigated and under what authority they were disbursed.

2. The Civil Auditor is authorised to pass the salary of the Moonshee employed by the Accountant General from 4th June to 7th July 1858, at 30 Rupees a month.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

Bolivia Correspondence

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Edward Rowan the Chargé d'Affaires to Bolivia
Washington dated 16th August 1858.

Read 4th Nov. Governing
Letter from Mr. Rowan
Chargé d'Affaires
Date 16th Aug. 1858. Rec'd 4th Nov.

Communicating
the Convention between
the United States
and Bolivia
for the
protection of Trade
between the
two countries
Ratified by
the Congress
of Bolivia
on the
30th July
1858.

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Salary of the Secretary
for the Year ending
Sept. 29th 1838 at 30 Cts
a pound.

To the Hon.ble Council
& Gen.l Assembly of the State
of Conn.t to be Convened
at Hartford on the
2.d Thursday of May
A.D. 1838

The Petition of the Subscribers
Inhabitants of the Town of Hartford
in the County of Hartford
Respectfully Represents
That the Petitioners are
desirous that the Town of Hartford
should be authorized to
Assess a Tax of Two Mills
on the Dollar on the Grand
List of said Town for the
Year 1838 for the purpose
of Building a Bridge over
the River at the Foot of
Main Street in said Town
and Repairing the Bridge
over the River at the Foot
of State Street in said Town
and Repairing the Bridge
over the River at the Foot
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Extract Minute of Govt

Fort St. George 17th August 1858

Read the Communicating the Accountant General's report on the result of the examination of the Pension Vouchers with the accounts current rendered by the Dewan for sums received and disbursed by him from 8th October 55 to 31st March 57, to the Exchequer Agent, resolve to call his attention to certain payments noticed amounting to Rupees 56720-5-3- direct the Agent to call upon the Dewan

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for an explanation respecting this amount authorize the Civil Auditor to pay the salary of the Mussulman employed by the Accountant General from 4th June to 7th July 58 at 30 Rs a month.

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