

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Political DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 165

Press
~~Mis.~~

Dated 26-4-1862

Not to be folded or roughly handled

165

12

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Political Department,
26th April 1862.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 47. From G. A. BALLARD, Esq., Acting Government Agent of Tanjore; to the Honorable T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 7th April 1862, No. 90.

I have the honor to request you will inform me if the signature of an Officer who has taken charge of an Office, or of the records, &c., of an abolished Office, is not sufficient to enable a Civil Auditor to pass Bills relating to transactions in the Office under the previous incumbent in cases where the signature of the previous incumbent would have sufficed.

2. I put this question as there is a lot of Bills for payments on account of the debts of the late Raj of Tanjore, which payments were made by Mr. Special Commissioner Phillips as awards, but which the Civil Auditor refuses to pass because they have not received Mr. Phillips' signature, but have been signed by Mr. Cadell (who may be looked upon as Mr. Phillips' successor) as for Mr. Phillips.

Referred to the Civil Paymaster for report.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
11th April 1862.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

No. 48. From W. J. RAYNOR, Esq., Officiating Civil Paymaster; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 17th April 1862, No. 481.

With reference to the Order of Government, dated 11th instant, I have the honor to state that, the signature of an Officer taking charge of the records, &c., of an abolished Office is ordinarily quite sufficient for the admission on audit of charges incurred under the previous incumbent on account of such Office, provided that the charges are duly authorized, and are supported by proper vouchers.

2. The grounds of the objection taken by my predecessor to the bills on account of the debts of the late Rajah of Tanjore, to which Mr. Ballard refers, will be found detailed in a letter to the late Government Agent, dated 27th May last, a copy of which is enclosed. If Mr. Ballard will re-submit the Bills with the required information, I shall have them disposed of as soon as possible.

From W. WATERFIELD, Esq., Officiating Civil Auditor; to W. M. CADELL, Esq., Government Agent, Tanjore, dated 27th May 1861, No. 138.

In returning 7 Bills on account of sums paid to the claimants on the late Rajah of Tanjore, I have the honor to state that I do not feel that I can audit them without further authority.

2. Mr. Phillips was specially empowered to dispose of the cases, and I cannot accept the signature of any other Officer on his behalf.

3. If details are given, I can distinguish the awards of less than 50 Rupees, which I will pass upon the cheques granted by Mr. Phillips; those of less than 150 Rupees, in which I have the authority of the Madras Government for specified sums, and those above that limit in which I require the sanction of the Government of India.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) W. DONALD,
Head Assistant to Civil Paymaster.

No. 49. ORDER THEREON, 26th April 1862, No. 165.

Ordered, that the Civil Paymaster's report and its enclosure be furnished to the Government Agent at Tanjore, with reference to his communication, dated the 7th instant, No. 90.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

List

Political Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT

Read the following Papers:

From Offg. Lt. Col. Agent at Bangalore (Dated 7 April 1862 No 90)

From Offg. Civil Paymaster - (--- 17 --- 1861)

Order thereon 26th April 1862 No 165

Ordered that the Civil Paymaster's report & its enclosure be furnished to the Lt. Col. Agent at Bangalore with reference to his communication dated the 7th Instant No 90.

To Lt. Col. Agent at Bangalore

Recd. 28th 8th 2ds. 8 & 0.