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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public DEPARTMENT.

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No. 184. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Military Department.

Communicating, for orders, papers regarding certain charges incurred on account of the Governor's tour. } (Dated 14th February 1868, No. 630).

No. 185. ORDER THEREON, 22nd February 1868, No. 237.

The charge incurred, amounting to Rupees 45-6-10, for the extra feed of the elephants employed in connection with the Right Honorable the Governor's tour, will, as proposed by the Accountant General, be met from the Tour Fund from savings under the grant in the current year.

2. The Private Secretary to the Governor is requested to state whether there are sufficient savings under the Tour Fund to defray the additional cost of Rupees 922-8-4, for extra feed, in the Trichinopoly Accounts, referred to in the 7th paragraph of the Controller's letter of the 14th January 1868, and, if not, what arrangements he would propose for meeting this charge.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Private Secretary to H. E. the Governor, } with Proceedings, No. 630.
,, Accountant General,
,, Examiner of Claims, with bills and vouchers.
,, Military Department.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers:—

From the Quarter Master General..... Here enter 16th August 1867, No. ⁸⁹⁷₅₂₄₇.
 Report from the Controller of Milly. Accts.... „ 14th January 1868, D.
 From the Quarter Master General, Head Quarters, Ootacamund, 16th August 1867,
 No. ⁸⁹⁷₅₂₄₇; to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Public Department,
 Fort Saint George.

Letter No. 1410, dated 23th May 1867, from
 the Commissary General, to the Quarter
 Master General, with six letters and ten
 bills and vouchers attached.
 Letter from the Acting Accountant General,
 to the Deputy Quarter Master General, No.
 2236, dated 25th July 1867.
 Letter from the Private Secretary to the Go-
 vernor, dated 1st August 1867.

I have the honor to submit the cor-
 respondence as per margin, in connec-
 tion with expenses incurred for the tour
 of the Right Honorable the Governor in
 1866, and request instructions as to how
 the charges are to be met.

From the Acting Commissary General, Madras, 28th May 1867, No. 1410; to the Quarter Mas-
 ter General, Fort Saint George.

I have the honor to forward the correspondence* noted in the margin, together with the bills
 of charges particularized

* To be returned.

Letter No. 7, dated 13th May 1867, from the Executive Commis-
 sariat Officer, Wellington, to the Commissary General
 Copy of letter No. 83, dated 18th March 1867, from the Executive
 Commissariat Officer, Wellington, to the Examiner of Commis-
 sariat Accounts.
 Copy of letter No. 517, dated 6th May 1867, from the Examiner
 of Commissariat Accounts, to the Executive Commissariat Offi-
 cer, Wellington.
 Letter No. 723, dated 20th May 1867, from the Commissariat Exa-
 miner, to the Commissary General.
 Docket No. 126, dated 8th April 1867, from the Commissariat
 Examiner, to the Quarter Master General.
 Reply to the above No. 2380, dated 17th April 1867, from the
 Deputy Quarter Master General, to the Acting Examiner of
 Commissariat Accounts.
 Docket No. 788, dated 23rd May 1867, from the Commissariat
 Examiner, to the Commissary General.

in the annexed memo-
 randum, and as the
 indents passed by you
 for the supply of the
 public cattle therein
 alluded to do not specify
 that the cattle were
 required for the use of
 the Right Honorable the
 Governor, I request you
 will be good enough to
 state whether the ex-
 penses incurred on their
 account are to be consi-
 dered as Military or

Civil charges. In the latter case, I would beg the favor of your informing me in what manner the
 charges referred to should be recovered.

MEMORANDUM.

Bill No. 7. for March 1866, with one sanctioned indent and six other vouchers for			Rupees	147	5	1
Bill No. 10, for March 1866, with 1 do. and 1 table of rates for	Rs.	26	7	8		
Bill No. 13, for Nov. 1866, with 1 table of rates for	...	86	6	0		
Bill No. 14, for Dec. „ with 1 do.	...	656	1	7		
Bill No. 15, for „ with 2 vouchers for	...	33	11	6		
Bill No. 16, for „ with 4 do.	...	20	14	0		
Bill No. 17, for „ with 1 voucher for	...	50	5	5		
Bill No. 18, for „ with 1 table of rates for	...	305	7	8		
Bill No. 19, for „ with 1 voucher for	...	17	13	10		
Bill No. 20, for „ with 3 vouchers for	...	9	10	2		
Bill No. 21, for „ for	...	24	4	7		
Bill No. 22, for „ with 4 vouchers for	...	52	1	11		
Total Rupees...			1,430	9	3	

(Signed) J. LOUDON, Lieut.-Colonel,
 Ag. Commissary General.

	RS.	A.	P.	
† No. 15 of December 1866.....	38	11	6	5. Should the charge in bill Nos. 15† to 22
„ 16 „ „	20	14	0	inclusive of December 1866, and in bill No. 13
„ 17 „ „	50	5	5	of November, adverted to in paragraph 2 above,
„ 18 „ „	305	7	6	really be on account of the Right Honorable the
„ 19 „ „	17	13	10	Governor's movements, as would appear from
„ 20 „ „	9	10	2	your letter, the sums should be recovered from
„ 21 „ „	24	4	7	the Civil Department, as in the case of bill
„ 22 „ „	52	1	11	No. 29 of August 1866, in order that they may
„ 13 of November „	86	6	0	be credited to the Military Department.
<i>Total Bunkes...</i>	<u>600</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	

Firstly.—Because, as the animals must be fed wherever they are, and as there is nothing to show that they received extra food at Wellington, the cost of their feed cannot be said to be an "expense incurred in connection with the tour of the Governor" (vide letter from Accountant

General, to Deputy Quarter Master General, No. 2236, dated July 25th, 1867), and is therefore one, which, in my opinion, is fairly debitable to the Department to which the animals belong, viz., the Commissariat Department.

Secondly.—Because all the accounts connected with His Excellency the Governor's tours in 1866 being closed, and the balance of the tour fund remitted to the Accountant General on the 31st March last, I am not in a position to meet the charge, even if it appeared to me to be one that could with propriety be met from that fund, and

Thirdly.—Because it appears from Major Ewart's letters to the Examiner of Commissariat Accounts and the Commissary General, (dated respectively 18th March 1867, No. 83, and 13th May 1867, No. 7), that such charges have always hitherto been defrayed as Military ones.

Referred to the Controller of Military Accounts for report, in communication with Departments concerned.

20th August 1867.

From the Controller of Military Accounts, Fort Saint George, 14th January 1868, D; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

Letter of Accountant General, dated 19th October 1867, No. 3922.

Letter of Examiner Commissariat Accounts, dated 18th November 1867, No. 3282.

Letter of do. dated 28th November 1867, No. 3475.

Letter of Commissary General, dated 6th December 1867, No. 6886.

Letter of Examiner Commissariat Accounts, dated 4th January 1868, No. 3801.

I have the honor to return the letter of the Quarter Master General, dated 16th August 1867, No. ⁸⁹⁷/₅₂₄₇, with its enclosures, referred under your docket of the 20th idem, and, with reference thereto, to submit the correspondence as per margin.

2. The Accountant General, it will be observed, is of opinion that if no extra charge was incurred by the Military Department in feeding the elephants and camels employed in connection with the Right Honorable the Governor's tour, beyond that which would have been incurred had the animals not been indented for, for that service, the Commissariat Department can prefer no claim on account of the feed, but that, if extra charges have hitherto been debited to the tour fund, that fund should now also bear them.

3. Previous to May 1861, charges connected with the Governor's tour were entered in the Commissariat Accounts, but subsequently no charges till Rupees 755-0-9 appeared in the accounts of the Executive Commissariat Officer at Wellington, for feed of public cattle, which was disallowed and recovered from the Private Secretary.

4. Under the resolution as per margin, however, a cash payment to the Commissariat Department is due, only for the portion of the charge which represents extra feed, not provided for in the Commissariat estimate, and for which that Department has to go into the market at the instance of the Civil Department.

5. From the statement attached to the Commissary General's letter of the 6th December 1867, No. 6886, it will be observed that, of the Rupees 1,430-9-3 expended in the feed of the elephants with the Governor, only Rupees 45-6-10 are recoverable from the Private Secretary in cash, as the cost of extra feed—the feed of the cattle being merely charged to the tour by a book adjustment that the real expense of service may be exhibited.

6. The sum of Rupees 45-6-10 can, as indicated by the Accountant General, be met from savings under the grant in the current year.

7. From the Examiner's letter of the 28th November 1867, No. 3475, it appears that there is a further charge of Rupees 922-8-4 for extra feed in the Trinopoly accounts, which has been disallowed as a civil charge; and if sufficient savings under the head of the Governor's tour are not available, it will be necessary, as pointed out by the Accountant General, to transfer them from other grants.

8. My sole object in addressing the Examiner on the 9th December, to which reference he replies in his letter of the 4th January 1867, No. 3801, was fully to ascertain that the Rupees 922-8-4 represented extra feed alone.

From the Accountant General, Fort Saint George, 19th October 1867, No. 3922; to the Acting Controller of Military Accounts.

With reference to your letter, No. 497, dated 22nd August last, I have the honor to observe that, from the letter of the Private Secretary to the Right Honorable the Governor, therewith forwarded I find that, that Officer's objections to certain charges, connected with His Lordship's tour last year, being borne from the budget provision for such tour, are as follow:—

Firstly.—That no extra charge has been incurred.

Secondly.—That the tour account having been closed, the Secretary is not in a position to meet the charge, even if it appeared to him to be one that could with propriety be met from the tour grant.

Thirdly.—That all such charges have hitherto been defrayed as Military charges. 2. With regard to the first objection urged by the Private Secretary, I beg to state that, if no extra charge was incurred by the Military Department in feeding the elephants and camels beyond that which would have been incurred had the animals not been indented for on account of His Excellency's tour, I am of opinion that that Department can prefer no claim on this account, nor do I consider that the charge should be borne by the Civil Department if it were one which, though extra, has hitherto been borne by the Military Department.

3. But if, on the other hand, extra charges of this nature have hitherto been debited to the tour fund, I am of opinion that that fund should now also bear them. And as the tour accounts of last year have been already closed, as appears from the Private Secretary's letter, it will be necessary that the charge should be met from savings under the grant for this year, or in the event of there being no savings under that head, application should then be made by the Private Secretary to Government for the transfer of savings from some other grants, or for a fresh grant, as the case may be.

4. The enclosures of your letter are herewith returned.

From the Acting Examiner of Commissariat Accounts, Madras, 18th November 1867, No. 3282; to the Controller of Military Accounts, Fort Saint George.

With reference to your letter No. 741, dated 4th November 1867, I have the honor to state that previous to May 1861, charges connected with the tour of the Governor were incorporated in the Commissariat accounts.

2. Subsequent to the Order of Government, No. 187, dated 12th April 1861, no charge appears to have been made on account of the Governor's tour up to August 1866, when a charge of Rupees 755-0-9 appeared in the accounts of the Executive Commissariat Officer at Wellington, for feed of public cattle, and was disallowed being a Civil charge, the amount was recovered by the Commissariat Department from the Private Secretary and credited in the Wellington accounts in January 1867.

From the Acting Examiner of Commissariat Accounts, Madras, 28th November 1867, No. 3475; to the Controller of Military Accounts, Fort Saint George.

In continuation of my letter No. 3282, dated 18th November 1867, I have the honor to bring to your notice that a further charge of Rupees 922-8-4 for extra feed of public cattle, on account of the Governor's tour, has been entered in the accounts of the Executive Commissariat Officer, Trinopoly, and which has been disallowed as a Civil charge.

From the Acting Commissary General, Madras, 6th December 1867, No. 6886; to the Controller of Military Accounts, Fort Saint George.

I have the honor to forward a memorandum containing the information called for in your letter, No. 824, dated 26th November 1867.

MEMORANDUM showing the ordinary and extra expenses incurred on account of public cattle employed for the service of His Excellency the Governor.

for the service of his Excellency the Governor.

Months accounts.	Station charge.			March accounts charged in bill.			Difference.						Extra expenses.		
							More.			Less.					
Entry No.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
7 for March 1866.....	114	9	5	147	5	1	32	11	8						
10 for " "	16	10	8	26	7	8	9	13	0						
13 for Nov. "	83	2	11	86	6	0	3	3	1						
14 for Dec. "	509	9	9	656	1	7	146	7	10						
15 for " "	49	6	0	33	11	6				15	10	6			
16 for " "	17	13	2	20	14	0	3	0	10						
17 for " "	37	2	5	50	5	5	13	3	0						
18 for " "	422	15	10	305	7	6				117	8	4			
19 for " "	29	10	4	17	13	10				11	12	6			
20 for " "	14	13	2	9	10	2				5	3	0			
21 for " "	29	10	4	24	4	7				5	5	9			
22 for " "	59	10	5	52	1	11				7	8	6			
	1,385	2	5	1,430	9	3	208	7	5	163	0	7	45	6	10

COMMY. GENL.'S OFFICE,
MADRAS, 6th December 1867.

(Signed) J. LOUDON, Lieut.-Colonel,
Acting Commissary General.

From the Acting Commissary General, Madras, 4th January 1868, No. 3801: to the Controller of Military Accounts, Fort Saint George.

I have the honor to inform you that in order to check the figures in the statement attached to No. 6886 of the 6th December 1867, to the Controller's address. the Commissary General's letter* forwarded with your letter No. 879 of the 9th December 1867, every effort has been made to obtain the original bills; first by application to the Accountant General, and subsequently to the Quarter Master General, whose reply I enclose (to be returned.)

2. In returning the Commissary General's letter above referred to, I would remark that the whole of the sum of Rupees 922-8-4 alluded to in the 3rd paragraph of your letter under reply is for extra feed of cattle on account of the Governor's tour, as stated in this office letter, No. 3475 of the 28th November 1867.

ORDER, No. 630, 14th February 1868.

Communicated to the Public Department, for issue of the necessary orders—the provisions of Proceedings of Government in that Department, No. 1332, dated 28th October 1867, not being apparently applicable to the extra charges referred to in the present correspondence.

(True Extract.)

Marshall Major General,
Secretary to Government.

To the Quarter Master General, with 9 enclosures.

" Controller of Military Accounts, with 5 enclosures.

" Commissary General.

" Public Department, with 28 enclosures. *W. H. Cooke*

Exd. A. W. Cooke.

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Proceedings of Government in the
Military Department.
No. 630

Dated 14 February 1868
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1 Memo of Enclosure

No. 247

Communicating, for orders
papers regarding certain
charges incurred on account
of the Governor's tour

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Public Department

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter

Proceedings
of Government in the Military
Department.

(Enclosure 14 February 1868)

Order thereon 22 Feb. 1868 No. 237

The charge incurred
amounting to Rs. 6-10
for the extra feed of the
elephants employed in con-
-nection with the Right
Honorable the Governor's
Tour, will, as proposed
by the Accountant General,
be met from the Tour
Fund from savings under
the grant in the current
year.

2 The Private Secretary
to the Governor is requested

Noted
14 Feb 1868
W.C.

to state whether there are
sufficient savings under
the Four Fund to defray
the additional cost of
Papers 922-8-4, for extra
fees, in the Buckingham
Accounts, referred to in the
2nd para of the Controller's
letter of the 14th January
1868, and, if not, what
arrangements he would
propose for meeting
this charge.

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to the P. & O. Co. the Gov.
Accountant General.
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Dated 22 February 1868.

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