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Government of Madras.

Public DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 1662

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
20th December 1870.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 140. From the Government Astronomer, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 25th November 1870, No. 2042.

Herewith I have the honour to submit my Budget Estimate of the expenditure of the Madras Observatory during the official year ending 31st March 1872. I much regret that, by an oversight, I have far exceeded the date assigned for such returns, but will make a point of being more punctual in its preparation in future years.

2. I fear I have under-estimated the sum probably required for contingencies, as the erection of the Sympathetic Clocks, expected from England in March next, may prove much more expensive than I expect. In such case, a supplemental estimate will have to be submitted when the necessity arises. I have made no additional charge for the preparations for the great total eclipse of December 1871, the places of observation being railway stations (especially Avanasi), easily accessible, and, therefore, involving no such outlay as in the case of the last total eclipse at Masulipatam in 1868.

3. Printing and publication of past observations are now proceeding steadily, and I hope likely to do so without further interruption.

No. 141. From the Government Astronomer, to the Under Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 8th December 1870, No. 2107.

Herewith I have the honour to enclose revised copies of my Budget Estimate of the expenditure of the Madras Observatory during the next official year.

2. The charges for printing and publishing were, I believe, formerly passed under "Section 25, Miscellaneous," but I should think, as you suggest, that "Section 23, Stationery and Printing, Educational Department" is the more appropriate.

3. Of the stores required from England, the Electrical Clocks are, I hope, now on their way; but the Chronograph, though urgently wanted, has never been indented for. I believe it would be obtained more expeditiously if ordered privately through the Astronomer Royal.

No. 142. ORDER THEREON, 20th December 1870, No. 1662.

The Budget Estimate* of the Government Astronomer for 1871-72, exceeds the sanctioned grant† for the current year by Rupees 1,800. The excess is the salary of the Assistant Astronomer appointed by the Secretary of State in his Despatch, dated the 16th June last, No. 66, (Public).

* Rupees 17,520.
† " 15,720.

Procs., Public Dept., 24th Aug. 1870,
No. 1065.

2. The grant for contingencies for 1870-71 is Rupees 1202; but, as not more than Rupees 686 were spent in 1869-70, the Government think that Rupees 1,000 will be sufficient to meet the charges under that head in 1871-72.

3. They also think that the assignment for stationery and printing may be reduced from Rupees 6,000 to Rupees 4,000. The expenditure in 1869-70 was only Rupees 797, and, if the publication of past observations are steadily

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20th December 1870.

carried on, a grant of Rupees 4,000 will, it is presumed, cover all charges likely to be incurred on that account.

4. The estimate, revised as above indicated, will stand thus:—

	RS.
Salaries, allowances, and contingencies	17,318
Stationery and Printing	4,000
Total	21,318

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* 15,720 and
6,000
21,720

or Rupees 402 less than the grants* sanctioned by the Government of India for 1870-71 under 16 "Minor Departments," and "23, Stationery and Printing."

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Government Astronomer.

.. Accountant-General, with the estimate.

November 28th 1870.

From

N. R. Pogson, Esq.,

Government Astronomer

To

The Hon R. S. Ellis, C. B.

Chief Secretary to Government.

Fort St. George

Sir

Herewith I have the honor to submit my Budget Estimate of the expenditure of the Madras Observatory during the official year ending 31st March, 1871. I much regret that by an oversight, I have far exceeded the date assigned for such returns, but will make a point of being more punctual in its preparation in future years.

I fear I have under-estimated the sum probably required for contingencies, as the erection of the Sympathetic Clocks, expected from England in March next, may prove much more expensive than I expect. In such case a supplemental estimate will have to be submitted when the necessity arises.

I have made no additional charge for the preparations for the Great Total Eclipse of Dec 1871, the places of observation being Railway Stations (especially Avinashi), easily accessible, and therefore involving no such outlay as in the case of the last Total Eclipse, at Manipatnam, in 1868.

Printing and publication of past observations are now proceeding steadily, and I hope likely to do so without further interruption.

I have the honor to be

Sir
Your most obedient Servant
N R Pogson
Government Astronomer.

Bolt. of 1870 Madras.

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To

THE GOVERNMENT ASTRONOMER,
Ac.,
Ec.,
Ac.Dated December, 20th.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 20th December 1870, No. 1662.DECEMBER.
Nos. 140-142.

Approving, with certain modifications, the Government Astronomer's Budget Estimate for 1871-72.

Nov. 6th July 1874
 " 27th March 1874
 " 24th April 1874
 " 29th Decr 1874
 " 11th Decr 1874

Recd 10th Sept
 From
 The Government Astronomer
 To
 The Chief Secretary to Government
 Port St George
 Madras Observatory November 1874
 By 20th Sept 70.
 Mr. Russell
 Rs 204.2
 Forwarding Budget Estimate
 of the Government Astronomer
 for the year ending 31st March
 1872 with remarks

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Madras Observatory, 8th December 1870.

From
 N. R. Pogson, Esq.,
 Government Astronomer and Meteorological Superintendent.

H. E. Stokes Esq.
 Under Secretary to Government. Public Dept
 Port St George

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 would be obtained more expeditiously if ordered privately
 through the Astronomer Royal.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant
 N R Pogson
 Government Astronomer

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Feb 2042 of 1870 and 1871

The Government Astronomer
 and Meteorological Service }

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Proceedings Public Dept
of 24th August 1870 to 1865.

The Budget Estimate of the Government Astronomer for 1871-72, exceeds the sanctioned grant for the current year by Rs 1800. The excess is the salary of the Assistant Astronomer appointed by the Secretary of State on his Despatch dated the 16th June last Rs 66 (Pabbie)

2. The grant for Contributions for 1870-71 is Rs 1200 but as not more than Rs 686 were spent in 1869-70, the Government think that Rs 1000 will be sufficient to meet the charges under

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that had in 1871-72.

3. They also think that the assignment for Stationery and Printing may be reduced from Rs 6000 to Rs 4000. The expenditure in 1869-70 was only Rs 797, and if the publication of past observations are steadily carried on, a grant of Rs 4000, will, it is presumed, cover all charges likely to be incurred on that account.

4. The Estimate revised as above indicated, will stand thus:-

Salaries, allowances & Contingencies	Rs 17,318
Stationery & Printing	4000
	<u>Rs 21,318</u>

or Rs 402 less than the grants sanctioned by the Government of India for 1870-71 under its Minor Departments, viz Stationery and Printing.

x Rs 15,720
+ Rs 6000
Rs 21,720

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To The Govt Accountant General
with the

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Bot. of 1871 & 1872

To Public

The Good & Beautiful

for

Dated Dec. 20 }
Recd. 1870, No. 1662.

Nos. 140, 142.

Hyperion, with certain no.
of the long & for. others.
new Budget Estimate
for 1871-72.