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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	1481	Press Mis.
Dated	29-7-	191871

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29th September 1871.*

No. 138. Read the following letter from W. DONALD, Esq., Auditor of the Government Press Accounts for the year 1870-71, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 18th September 1871:—

With reference to the Proceedings of Government, dated 8th June 1871, No. 794, Public Department, in which I was appointed Auditor of the Government Press Accounts for the past official year, I have the honour to report, for the information of His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor in Council, as follows.

2. Every entry in the Cash Book was carefully checked with the vouchers produced in support thereof, and the postings of the same into the Ledger were also examined, as well as those from the Day Book. All were found in order; but I think it right to mention that the former system of entering the sums received and paid on account of salaries was continued to the close of the year, as the Supervisor deemed it unadvisable to make any change in this respect during the currency of the year. I am informed, however, that, from the commencement of the present official year, the sums actually received and paid have been entered in the Cash Book.

3. The revenue of the Press during 1870-71 amounted to Rupees 8,484-2-0, or Rupees 1,003-2-0 less than in 1869-70 as under—

	RS.	A.	P.
Subscriptions to Gazette	1,782	0	0
Do. do. in advance	1,674	0	0
	3,456	0	0
Do. for Acts	18	0	0
Do. General Orders, &c.	27	8	0
Total...	3,501	8	0
Sales of Acts	1,171	0	10
Do. Gazettes	65	8	9
Do. Stores	173	10	8
Do. old metal	368	2	0
	1,778	6	3
Advertisements	2,003	12	6
Postage	503	3	5
Do. in advance	652	8	10
	1,155	12	3
Job Printing	25	13	0
Extraordinary Receipts	18	14	0
Total...	8,484	2	0

Disposed of as follows:—

Remitted to Bank of Madras for credit of Government	6,885	14	9
Refunds of price of Gazette and postage	2	14	0
Expended in postages	1,166	7	2
Paid to Compositors for Job Printing	15	3	7
Balance carried forward to 1871-72	413	10	6
As above...	8,484	2	0

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The balance of cash, Rupees 234-2-0, with which the accounts for the year opened, is not shown in the above statement. It was in due course paid into the Bank for credit of Government, so adding it to the above sum, the amount actually sent to Bank was Rupees 7,120-0-9 as per Statement B.

4. The income of the Press was, during the past year, upwards of Rupees 1,000 less than it was in 1869-70. There was an increase of revenue to the extent of Rupees 300 from Advertisements, but a decrease of nearly 1,300 Rupees in sales of Acts. Subscriptions to the Gazette and for Acts and General Orders produced nearly the same sum as in preceding year.

5. The expenditure for the maintenance of the Press amounted to Rupees 1,59,237-8-1 as under—

Salaries less Income-tax—		RS.	A.	P.
Permanent Establishment	...	63,624	8	6
Piece-work do.	...	53,341	11	3
		1,16,966	3	9
Contingencies	...	1,941	8	0
Bills to private Presses for printing	...	3,985	11	6
Purchase of Plant	...	30,774	11	10
Do. of Stores	...	3,709	5	0
Gratuity	...	1,860	0	0
	Total...	1,59,237	8	1

received from Government upon duly audited bills.

6. The issues of the *Fort St. George Gazette* to private individuals during 1870-71 were as follow:—

	RS.
During the quarter ended 30th June 1870	276
Do. do. 30th September „	281
Do. do. 31st December „	289
Do. do. 31st March 1871	273
Total...	1,119

which have all been paid for as the following figures show—

	RS.
1,119 × 3 Rupees (the price of the Gazette per quarter) is	3,357
Add balance at debit of subscribers' account on 31st March 1870	678
	4,035
Deduct subscriptions received during 1870-71	3,456
Remainder...	579

being the amount at debit of Subscribers' account, on 31st March 1871, as per balance sheet annexed.

7. Rupees 30,774-11-10 were expended in the purchase of plant; and the additions to stock consisted of two printing-machines complete, one stabbing-

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machine, and one treadle perforating-machine for the Binding Department, besides types and other materials.

8. Rupees 368-2-0 were realized on account of worn-out types, leads, &c., sold during former years. The various sums making up this amount were written off from "Plant" account at the time of sale.

	RS.	A.	P.
9. The value of plant upon 31st March 1870 stood in the books at	1,39,679	0	0
Cost of additions thereto as above	30,774	11	10
Total...	1,70,453	11	10

Deduct—

Value of worn-out materials sold in 1870-71	75	0	0
Amount written off the account of depreciation	17,985	13	2
	18,060	13	2

Balance on 31st March 1871, as per balance sheet	1,52,392	14	8
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10. Stores (entirely for the use of the Press) were purchased to the extent of Rupees 3,709-5-0. The value of those received from Stationery Department was Rupees 20,275-5-1, while that of stores sold and used in work executed for Public Offices was Rupees 31,295-10-3.

11. Government will observe from the balance sheet that a number of parties owed money to the Press on 31st March last—some of the amounts very trifling, and some of several years standing. This state of matters is by no means satisfactory, and there appears to be no reason why, with one exception, all of these accounts should have not been closed during the past year. The Superintendent should not, it appears to me, allow hereafter any outstandings to remain on the books at the end of the official year, but should make it a point to realize the value of all work executed, and stores, &c., sold, during the year before its close. The balance due by Lieutenant K. F. Stevenson is, I understand, barred by the Statute of Limitation. It was a regimental account of the late 43rd N. I. standing in his name as he was at the time Mess Secretary of the Regiment. There seems to be now no alternative but to write off the amount, Rupees 5-10-0, to "Profit and Loss."

12. As on previous occasions, T. Moorogasa Moodelly has given me every assistance in this audit, and I am glad that I can again express my satisfaction with the manner in which he has performed the duties required of him as Accountant of the Press.

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A.

Dr. Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st March 1871. Cr.

Names.	Folio.	Amount.	Names.	Folio.	Amount.
		RS. A. P.			RS. A. P.
Cash	368	413 10 6	The Government of	326	1,70,631 3 7
Plant	375	1,52,392 14 8	Fort St. George.		
Stores	377	17,300 10 0	Postage	395	569 12 1
Subscribers	386	579 0 0	Messrs. Prichard and	406	23 4 0
Administrator-General	402	59 12 0	Barclay.		
The Secretary and	421	1 9 0	The Agent and Mana-	409	3 8 0
Treasurer, Bank of			ger, Madras Railway.		
Madras.			Messrs. Arbuthnot and	411	3 0 0
Mr. C. D'Weltz	439	100 0 0	Co.		
Messrs. P. Aroolanun-	...	215 10 0	Messrs. Binny and Co.	413	2 0 0
don and Sons.			Do. Parry and Co.	415	0 5 0
The Deputy Collector of	440	6 4 0	Do. Shaw and All-	417	0 9 0
Tinnevelly.			dritt.		
The Deputy Collector of	...	6 0 0	The Commissioner of	441	8 15 0
Kistna.			Police.		
The Collector of Mala-	441	93 12 0	Messrs. P. Orr and	442	0 7 0
bar.			Sons.		
Superintendent, Asy-	445	0 6 0	Mr. T. C. Clarke ...	...	6 12 0
lum Press.			Agent P. and O. S. N.	443	25 0 0
L. F. Chapman, Esq ...	452	0 4 3	Co.		
Messrs. Branson and	453	10 8 0	Chairman of the Cham-	448	1 12 0
Branson.			ber of Commerce.		
Chellacunnoo	455	75 0 0	R. Balajee Row ...	464	15 0 0
Venecatapati Row and	462	0 2 0	The Civil Judge of	466	12 10 0
Ananda Charloo.			Trichinopoly.		
Messrs. Grant and	464	15 6 0	Messrs. R. P. Carr	474	0 8 0
Champion.			and Co.		
The Civil Judge of	466	21 7 0	G. P. Johnstone, Esq.	475	7 0 0
Salem.			T. Vurdarajooloo Nai-	...	4 1 0
T. Dorasawmy Naiker..	473	6 12 0	doo.		
Lieutenant K. F. Ste-	...	5 10 0			
venson.					
Manavala Moodelliar...	...	0 3 0			
C. Waters, Esq	474	0 3 6			
Mr. C. Cress, Junior ...	474	0 1 6			
The Superintendent of	479	0 0 3			
Police, Tinnevelly.					
Mr. C. J. Alvares	481	0 4 6			
The Civil Judge of Cud-	485	8 0 0			
dalore.					
Lieutenant-Colonel E.	...	2 4 6			
Smith.					
Total...	...	1,71,315 10 8	Total...	...	1,71,315 10 8

GOVERNMENT PRESS,
FORT ST. GEORGE,
1st April 1871.

(Signed) H. MORGAN,
Supt., Government Press.

Examined and found correct.

(Signed) W. DONALD,
Auditor.

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B.

Dr. Government Press in Account Current with the Bank of Madras. Cr.

1870.	RS. A. P.	1871.	RS. A. P.
April 1st. To cash on hand...	234 2 0	March 31st. By cash paid into the	
Do. received from		Madras Bank during	
private parties		the year 1870-71..	7,120 0 9
on account of		By cash expended for	
Subscriptions,		postage, &c., during	
Postages, Ad-		the year 1870-71...	1,184 8 9
vertisements,		By cash on hand ...	413 10 6
sale of Acts			
and Gazettes,			
&c., during the			
year 1870-71.	8,484 2 0		
Total...	8,718 4 0	Total...	8,718 4 0

GOVERNMENT PRESS,
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(Signed) H. MORGAN,
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Correct. (Signed) W. DONALD,
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No. 139. ORDER THEREON, 29th September 1871, No. 1481.

The report of the Auditor of the Government Press Accounts for the past official year shows that the receipts* have fallen short of those for the preceding† year by Rupees 1,003-2-0, owing, it is observed, chiefly to a falling off in the sale of Acts to the extent of Rupees 1,217-1-10. The attention of the Supervisor of the Government Press will be drawn to this, with a view to a reduction being made in the number of copies of Acts which are struck off for sale.

2. The Government notice with satisfaction that the gross expenditure has been reduced by Rupees 4,178-11-2, as compared with the preceding year, consequent on a reduction of Rupees 8,362-12-9 in the cost of the piece-work establishment.

3. The Government sanction the writing off to "Profit and Loss" of the sum of Rupees 5-10-0 due by Lieutenant K. F. Stevenson on account of the Mess of the late 43rd Regiment, N. I. The Supervisor will be requested to report whether any of the other balances for small sums standing over for several years should be written off.

4. The Superintendent of the Press will be instructed to allow no outstanding to remain in future on his books at the close of each year.

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5. The Government sanction the payment of the sum of Rupees (300) three hundred to Mr. W. Donald, for the audit of the Press accounts.

(True Extract.)

Captain, R. E.,
*Acting Joint Secretary, P. W. D.,
for Chief Secretary.*

To the Supervisor of the Government Press,
To W. Donald, Esq.
To the Accountant-General.

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To
THE SUPERVISOR OF THE
GOVERNMENT PRESS,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated September, 29th.
Recd. *Encl.*

G. O., 29th September 1871, No. 1481.

SEPTEMBER.
Nos. 138-139.

Reviewing the Auditor's report on the accounts
of the Government Press for 1870-71.

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Messrs. C. & W. & Co.	440	6 4 .	Messrs. Pichard & Burdett	417	9 .
Messrs. P. Arrol & Sons	441	93 12 .	The Commis. of Police	442	7 .
The Secy Collector of Income	445	4 3 .	Messrs. Pichard & Burdett	443	25 .
Messrs. Pichard & Burdett	446	10 8 .	Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce	448	1 12 .
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Messrs. Pichard & Burdett	476	3 6 .			
Total		171,304 15 0	Total		171,315 10 0

Names	Amount	Names	Amount
Brought forward	171304.15.11	Brought forward	171,315.10.8
Mr Cress Junior 474	1 6		
The Supt of Police Tinnemally 479	3		
Mr J. Alvares 481	4 6		
The Civil Judge of Cuddalore 485	8		
Lieut Col E. Smith 485	24.6		
Total	171,315.10.8	Total	171,315.10.8

Fort St George
Government Press
1st April 1871
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H. M. Joyeux
Superintendent, Govt Press.

Examined found correct
W. Donald
Auditor

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Enclosure to letter
 from, W. Donald Esq
 of letter of the Lord Provost
 Accounts for the year
 1870-71, to the Honble
 P. & Ellis. & Co. Chief
 Secretary to the Government
 of Fort St George, dated
 18th September 1871

B.

Govt. Government - Free in account - Current with the Bank of Madras - 1871

1870	Apr. 11	To cash on hand	234 2	1871	March 31	By cash paid into the Madras Bank during the year 1870-71	7120 9
		— " — received from private parties on account of Subsidy				— " — expended for postage &c.	1184 8 9
		— " — Postages, Auctioneering, Sale of Jack & Bagging, &c., during the year				— " — on hand	413 10 6
		1870-71	5484 2				

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Fort St George
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To.

The Supervisor of the
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W. Donald Esqre
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The Librarian of the
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Resolving the Questions
concerning the accounts
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