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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, for the month of December 1859.

No. 81. Read the following letter from H. NEWILL, Esq., Director of Revenue Settlement; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated 1st December 1859, No. 1051.

Paragraph 1. In enclosing you the accompanying letter* from the Civil Auditor, I have the honor to explain that under the authority conveyed in Extract Minutes Consultation, 11th September 1858, No. 1238, for me to sanction items of expenditure for the Survey and Settlement departments not exceeding 100 Rupees, I accordingly appended my sanction to an item included by the Superintendent Revenue Survey in his ordinary contingent bill, but objected to by the Civil Auditor, for the rent of a house temporarily employed at Masulipatam for the Survey office, instead of keeping up tents exposed to damage in the rainy season. As the Civil Auditor states that he "must receive the sanction of Government, without which he has no authority to pass charges on account of house rent," I have to request that such sanction may be accorded, and if approved, that the Civil Auditor may be further instructed to pass similar items in future, when included in the contingent bills of the Superintendent Revenue Survey, as it is bad economy and also inconvenient to keep the Survey office in tents during the monsoon at the risk both of the tents and the valuable Survey papers. The temporary occupation of a suitable building rented at such small sums is also preferable to the construction of thatched sheds for the office.

* *Dated 29th November* 1859, *No.* 910.

From W. WATERFIELD, Esq., Acting Civil Auditor; to H. NEWILL, Esq., Director of Revenue Settlement, dated 29th November 1859, No. 910.

With reference to your communication of the 25th instant, relative to your sanctioning an expenditure in the Survey department of Rupees 15 for house rent, I have the honor to inform you that all charges on account of house rents (even though as in the present case they be "in substitution of provision of tents by expenditure in their repair,") must receive the sanction of Government, without which I have no authority to pass them.

No. 82. ORDER THEREON, 24th December 1859, No. 1774.

The temporary occupation of a house by officers of the Survey Department in any station near which they may be working during the monsoon recess from field work, is a different case from that of the ordinary renting of houses for public purposes; it is merely temporary, and the cost is small. It would often be difficult also for the Director of Revenue Settlement to obtain the previous sanction of Government; and at all events this course would cause much correspondence on a matter of trifling magnitude. On these considerations the Governor in Council resolves to accede to Mr. Newill's request, and to empower the Civil Auditor to pass bills, for the house rent of officers of the Survey Department, on the countersignature of the Director of Revenue Settlements.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
Secretary to Government.

Rev. Dept.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 24th Decr 1859.
Read the following
Letter from A. Newill Esq.
Director of Revenue Settle-
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States that the Civil
Auditor has objected to
pass a contingent Bill
for Rupees 15- sanctioned by
him under the authority
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and soliciting that the
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(Here enter 1st Decr 1859
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Director of Rev. Settlements
3 Civil Auditor

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