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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 25th October 1860.

No. 402. Read again letter from the Superintendent of the Revenue Survey dated 21st August 1860, No. 715 and recorded in Proceedings of Government 7th September 1860, No. 1,548.

Read also the following letter from GEORGE PEARSE, Esq., M.D., Principal Inspector General, Medical Department, Fort Saint George, to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 20th September 1860, No. 142 :—

SIR,

1. Adverting to the Proceedings of Government No. 1,548 of the 7th instant, I have the honor to report as follows :—

Revenue Department, No. 835, 17*th June* 1858.

2. In June 1858, the Director of Revenue Settlement applied for a supply of Medicines for the various Survey parties then organized, and Government was pleased to order that the required supplies should be issued ; vide Minutes of Consultation as per margin.

3. In May 1859 Government sanctioned six 2nd Dressers to be added to the establishment for employment with the Revenue Survey, and directed that the extra charge incurred should be debited to the aggregate sum, sanctioned for the General Survey (Proceedings Madras Government, No. 612, 4th May 1859).

4. No charge was made for the supply of Medicines in 1858-59, as it was not known that the requisitions would be of annual occurrence, but on the last annual indents coming to hand, it was considered requisite to place the Survey on the same footing as that ordered by Government for the Public Works Department, in Extract Minutes Consultation, No. 1,589 of 17th August 1857.

5. To meet the views of the Military Finance Commission, in debiting the issues of Medicines to the respective heads, it is very necessary that each Department receiving articles from the Public Stores, should bear the cost thereof.

6. The Medicines in question were issued on annual indent for the year 1860-61, their value is shown in the priced list forwarded with the Contingent Bills.

Court's Letter, No. 10 *of* 1836.
Order No. 1,396 *of* 1837.
Court's Letter, No. 1 *of* 1841.
Also Circular Letter from Accountant General, No. 1,430 *of* 28*th November* 1859.
Copies appended for easy reference.

7. For an explanation of the advances of 45 and 65 per cent., I beg to refer to the orders of Government in the Financial Department as per margin. These charges are made to cover the cost of freight, import duty, loss by breakage, evaporation, dryage, &c.

No. 403. ORDER THEREON, 25th October 1860, No. 1,952.

1. In August last Captain Priestley submitted for sanction a Bill for Rupees 203-15-6 for Medicines supplied from the Government Stores to the Trichinopoly Survey party, which the Civil Auditor had declined to pass. As the Government had no information as to the authority for the supply of Medicines, which it appeared had previously been obtained without any demand for payment, and as the reasons for making the charge were not explained, the Principal Inspector General of the Medical Department was asked to afford information on the foregoing and some other points.

Order 7th September 1860, *No.* 1,548.

2. In his letter of the 20th September recorded at the head of these Proceedings Dr. Pearse states that the first supply of Medicines was made in 1858 under a special order of Government, and was not charged for, because it was not known that an annual demand would be made. On receipt however of the indent for 1859-60 he considered it requisite to place the Survey on the same footing as the Public Works Department, which had been ordered by Government to pay for its Medicines. He thinks that this course is in accordance with the views of the Military Finance Commission. In support of the very high percentage charged above the cost price, he appeals to certain orders of the Court of Directors.

17*th June* 1858, *No.* 835.

17*th August* 1857 *No.* 1,589.

3. The Government do not consider it necessary that Medicines &c., supplied to the Survey and Settlement Departments should be paid for in cash. In the Ordnance Department payment is not demanded from other Public Departments unless specially ordered by Government, and it does not appear why the Survey Department should have been called upon without such authority to pay for the Medicines supplied to it. Adverting to Dr. Pearse's mention of the intentions of the Military Finance Commission it is observed that those intentions will be satisfied by debiting the Departments concerned in the accounts, without insisting on payment in cash. This course accordingly will be adopted.

4. As regards the prices to be charged, the Government are of opinion that the issue of Medicines to the Survey and Settlement Departments should be made on the same terms in respect of charges, as to Civil Dispensaries, to which it is understood no percentage is charged.

5. The Bill received with Captain Priestley's letter of the 21st August will be returned to him for disposal in accordance with this order.

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

Extracts.

No 10 of 1836

"Our Governor in Council at,
Fort Saint George,

"On revising the rates which in our Invoices of Exports to India, are added to the prime cost of Stores to cover the expense of Es=tablishments and of shipment. We have determin=ed that the Mercantile charge of Interest shall be in future discontinued. It is our intention however that in all cases where stores are trans=ferred in India to the Clothing Boards, or sup=plied to His Majesty's Navy or Colonial Govern=ments, or sold to individuals by private contract a charge of five per cent should be added to the Invoice cost thereof, to cover both the interest of money from the date of the Invoice to the arrival of the Stores in India and the risk of their transmission."

No 1396.

Order thereon

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council observes, that the 5 per cent put on the prime cost of Medical Stores supplied to His Majesty's Navy &c. under the orders of

of the Court of Directors, contained in their Despatch in the Financial Department, Nº 10 of 1836, dated the 16th July, is in addition to the 30 and 50 per cent, on articles not of a perishable nature, and on articles liable to decay, respectively, directed by the Honorable Court in the 9th para. of their Military Despatch of the 2d February 1810.—

Fort Saint George, /Signed/ S. W. Steel, Lieut. Col.
2d May 1837. Secretary to Government.

To the Medical Board.

Nº 1 of 1841.

"Our Governor in Council at
Fort Saint George,

Para 1. "Having concluded an arrangement with the Lord Commissioners of the Admiralty that a charge of 5 per cent only for departmental expenses is to be added to the cost price of stores mutually supplied for the Queen's and the Company's Services in India, it is necessary to modify our instructions to you under date 6th July 1836 so far as respects the additional 5 per cent which we directed to be charged in India upon the stores "supplied to His Majesty's Naval or Colonial Government" to cover interest of money from the date of Invoice and the risk of transmission.—

This additional per centage you will now relinquish in respect of Stores supplied for the use of the Queen's Service, but not in other cases. It is our practice to include the 5 per cent for departmental expenses in the Invoices of Stores sent to you. At the Invoice price therefore you will charge H. M. Government for any European Stores that you may supply on that account and in the event of Country Stores being required for the Service of the Crown, you will charge 5 per cent upon their cost price for departmental expenses also.—

Circular
Nº 11, 30.

General Department. Fort Saint George,
Accountant General's Office,
28th November 1859.

From,
R. P. Harrison, Esquire,
Accountant General,

To
The Director General of the
Medical Department.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that, under

under instructions from the Home Government, on supplies in India of Stores and Cash Advances on account of Her Majesty's British Navy are to be invariably adjusted in India by Bills on the Accountant General of Her Majesty's Navy London, to be drawn at the rate of exchange annually fixed for Her Majesty's Navy and in favor of the Secretary of State for India.—

2. Under orders from the Government of India in the Financial Department, No. 7213 of 19th August 1859, a charge of 10 per cent on account of Customs duty, should be added to the cost price of Europe Stores supplied to ships of the Royal Navy with reference to the orders of the same Government in the same Department, No. 2423 of 25th March last, this additional charge should be credited to "Sea Customs."—

3. The Bills should be forwarded to this Office for transmission to the Secretary of State for realization, and adjusted in your Accounts by crediting the proper head of stores and "Sea Customs," and debiting "General Government of India."

4. On all Europe stores issued to the Colonial Governments, private parties, Native Princes, Commanders of ships conveying Invalids, &c to England, &c who are not entitled to receive Government Stores free of charge the Customs duty of 10 per cent should be added and credited to "Sea Customs." This duty is additional to all charges which are now added to the cost price of Stores supplied to the above parties.—

I have &c &c,

(Signed) R. F. Harrison,

Accountant General,

(True Extracts and Copy.)

Secretary Principal Inspector General,

Medical Department.

Ex.d F.H.B.

1860.

Enclosed is a letter from
F. Pearse Esquire M.D. Princi
pal Inspector Jeneral of
Departments Fort Saint
to J. D. Bourdillon Esquire
Secretary Government Revenue
Department Fort Saint George,
№ 142. dated 20th September
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Office of Principal Inspector General,
Medical Department,
Fort Saint George,
20th September 1860.

Read in Consultation

From

George Pearse Esquire M.D.
Principal Inspector General,
Medical Department,
Fort Saint George,

To

J. D. Bourdillon Esquire,
Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department,
Fort Saint George,

Sir,

Adverting to the Proceedings of Government № 1548 of the 7th instant, I have the honor to report as follows.—

2. In June 1858, the Director of Revenue Settlement applied for a supply of medicines for the various survey parties then organised, and Government was pleased to order that the required supplies should be issued, vide Minutes of Consultation as per margin.—

Revenue Department
№ 835. 17th June 1858.

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4. No charge was made for the supply of medicines in 1858/59, as it was not known, that the requisitions would be of annual occurrence, but on the last annual indents coming to hand, it was considered requisite to place the survey on the same footing, as that ordered by Government for the Public Works Department, in Extract Minutes Consultation No. 1589 of 17th August 1859.

5. To meet the views of the Military Finance Commission, in debiting the issues of medicines to the respective heads, it is very necessary that each department receiving articles from the Public stores, should bear the cost thereof.

6. The medicines in question were issued on Annual Indent for the year 1860/61,

their value is shown in the priced list forwarded with the Contingent bills.

7. For an explanation of the advances of 45 and 65 per cent, I beg to refer to the orders of Government in the Financial Department as per margin.

Court's letter No. 10 of 1836.
Order No. 1396 of 1837
Court's letter No. 1 of 1841.
also Circular letter from Accountant Genl. No. 1430 of 28th November 1859.
Copies appended for easy reference.

These charges are made to cover the cost of freight, import duty, loss by breakage, evaporation, dryage, &c.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant,

Jno. Cumming, M.D.
Principal Inspector General,
Medical Department,

See appd. memo. recm.
- having, pr the post -

I don't see why the article
shd not be paid pr G.O. transfer
in account - neither does it
seem to me that the levy per centage
shd be charged in the case of a Govt
Dept -

Memo on Rec. 2034.

1. In August last, Capt. Priestley submitted for sanction a bill of Rs. 203. 15. 6 for medicines supplied from the Government stores to the Trichinopoly Survey party, which the Civil Auditor had declined to pass. As the Government had no information as to the authority for the supply of Medicines, which it appeared had previously been obtained without any demand for payment of their value, and as the reasons for making the charge were not explained, the Principal Inspector General of the Medical Department was asked to afford such information as he was able on the above and some other points.

2. Dr. Pearse states in reply that the first supply of Medicine was made in 1850 under a special

Dr. 7 Sep. 60 No. 1528

Revenue 1860 Sept. 20 No. 2034

From Dr. J. Pearse, Offg. Principal Inspector General, Medical Department, Fort St. George.

To J. D. Brandiller, Esquire, Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort St. George.

Dated 20th September 1860.

Received 21st Sept. 1860.

Answered 21st Sept. 1860. No. 1142

Furnishing with reference to G.O. No. 1548 of 9th instant, Re-mount Department information as to the supply of Medicines to Elephants and the charge of 4 5/per cent for Establishment.

Ordered, 25th October 1860.

Pd. Clerk, 1860.

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a Letter from Court of Dirs.
Military 2d Dep. 37 No. 80-81.
Encl. to Govt. Min. dated 29. with a
Letter from Madras Govt.
Mr. 15th August 54 No. 36-37
Rev. 22d June 58 — 16-24
— 10th Dec. 59 — 1-2.
— 9th Feb. 60 — 26-124.

special order of Government and was not charged for because it was not known that an annual demand would be made. On receipt of the indent for 1859/60 he considered it requisite to place the survey on the same footing as the Public Works Dept. which had been ordered by Govt to pay for its Medicines. He thinks that this course is in accordance with the views of the Military Finance Commission. In support of the high percentage charged he produces the orders of the Court of Directors.

17 June 1858 No 835.

* 17th Aug. 5/57 No. 1589.

3. In 1810 the Court ordered that upon delivery of Medicines "to Surgeons of Her Majesty's Ships or the Company's freighted ships and to persons not in the Company's service" an addition should be made to the prime cost of 30 p/c on articles not of a perishable nature and of 50 p/c on such

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such as were liable to decay. It does not appear from this that it was ever intended that Medicines supplied for the use of public departments should be charged with the advanced rates. Subsequently in 1836 an extra 5 p/c was directed to be charged to cover interest and risk of transmission; and recently, under instructions from the Acct Genl, based on orders from the Home Govt, a further 10 p/c is put on account of customs duties making in all an increase of 45 p/c on durable and 65 p/c on perishable articles.

4. It has been ascertained that the practice in the Ordnance Dept is to charge 5 p/c only, in addition to prime cost, on stores supplied on payment to public depts, the Dept of Public Works for instance, to the Railway and to private persons. Stores issued to public depts without payment are adjusted in the books at first cost.

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A charge of 5 o/o is made on stationery sold from the Govt. depôt, whether intended for public or private use. Depts supplied without payment are charged, pro forma, with the invoice price. This practice obtained in the late retail clothing stores also.

5. In May last the Military Dept made a reference to Calcutta regarding the high rates charged for Medicines. Stores supplied for the use of the Hyderabad Contingent had been charged for at an advance on prime cost of 45 and 65 o/o and the Govt of India has been asked to decide the conditions on which such supplies are to be made in future.

6. In the Ordnance Dept pay-ment is not demanded from other public depts unless specially ordered by Govt. It does not appear why the Survey Dept should have been called upon, without any authority, to pay for the Medicines supplied to it. Dr Pearse seems to think (para 5) that the course

course is in accordance with the views of the Military Finance Commission. All that the Commission appears to require is that he should debit dept to with the value of Medicines supplied and this can be done in his books without insisting upon actual payment.

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Supply of Meds

Revenue Department

No 1952

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 25th October 60

Read again letter

from Supt Revenue Survey

21st August 1860 No 715 and

recorded in Proceedings of Govt

7th September 1860 No 1548

Read also the

following letter from the

Principal Inspector General

Medical Department

Furnishing with reference to No 1548 of 7th Instant Revenue Department information to the Supply of medicines and the charge of 12½ per cent &c to departments

(Here enter 20th September 1860 No 1142)

Sir.

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last Captain Pries Keysubmit-

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Order 7th September 1860 A

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17th June 1858 A 885

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17th August 1859 A

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~~clothing stores~~. Adverting to
Dr. Parris mention of the in-
tentions of the Military Finance
Commission it is observed
that those intentions will be
~~satisfied~~ satisfied by debiting
the Departments concerned
in the accounts, without in-
sisting on payment in cash
This course accordingly will
be adopted.

4 As regards the
prices to be charged, the
Government are of opinion
that the issue of medicines
to the Survey and Settlement
Departments should be made
on the same terms in respect
of charges, as to Civil Dispen-
saries, ~~where~~ to which it is understood
no percentage is charged.

5. The Bill received
with Captain Priestley's
letter of the 21st August
will

will be returned to him
in accordance
for disposal ~~with reference~~
with to this ~~above~~ order.

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Supply of medicines to the
Survey Departt.

Revenue 1860 Deptt.
Pro: of Govt. for October

No. 1952.

Pro: of the Madras Govt.
Dd 25th October 1860.

On a Bill for medicines
supplied from the Government
Stores to the Trichinopoly
survey-party.

No 402 & 403.