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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 7th June 1860.

No. 67. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 26th May 1860, No. 2,570 :—

Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of North Arcot, dated 10th May 1860, No. 99 :—

(In Con., 14th May 1860, No. 2,238.)

1. Resolved, that the above letter and its enclosure from the Acting Collector of North Arcot, be submitted for the consideration and Orders of Government, with reference to their Order in the Revenue Department, No. 604, dated 20th* April 1860.

* *In Con., 21st April* 1860, *No.* 1,812.

2. The Acting Collector states that two sums advanced on account of Bandies remain unadjusted in his District, viz., one of Rupees 153-3-0, advanced in December 1857, by the late Joint Magistrate, on account of the men of the disbanded 8th Regiment Light Cavalry, transferred to other Regiments, and one of Rupees 14-4-0 on account of the Right Honorable the Governor's Body Guard, on their march from Vellore to the Nilgiris in 1858.

3. These cases, however, are essentially different from the one which formed the subject of the above Order of Government, inasmuch as the Carts to which they refer were used for the purposes for which they were engaged, and the advances made on their account are recoverable from the Military Authorities and not from the Contractor.

4. Great delay has occurred in the Sub-Divisional Office in the adjustment of these advances, but the Collector has instructed the Acting Sub-Collector to adopt immediate measures for the recovery of the larger sum, and he intends to adjust the smaller one through his own Office.

5. Mr. Robinson encloses an official Memorandum from the Acting Sub-Collector explaining the circumstances under which the 97 Rupees sanctioned by Government in paragraph 2 of their Order of 11th April 1860, proved irrecoverable. It appears from this, that there is very little hope of any portion of money once advanced to a Contractor being ever recovered from him in the event of the Carts contracted for not being required by the authorities. In most instances the Contractors are unable to take up a contract without an advance, which, when received, they distribute to the Cart-owners, who in all probability have expended their respective shares in laying in straw, &c., for the road, before the time of starting, as was the case in the above instance ; so that, however willing the Contractor may be to return a portion of the money received by him, he has seldom the means of doing so.

No. 1,360, *Military Department, Enclosure in No.* 604, *dated* 20*th April* 1860, *Revenue Department, in Con.,* 21*st April* 1860, *No.* 1,812.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM, *Secretary.*

No. 68. ORDER THEREON, 7th June 1860, No. 937.

1. This paper and its enclosures will be communicated to the Military Department with reference to the Order in that Department, dated April 11th 1860, No. 1,360.

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

No. 2,570.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 29th May 1860.

Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of North Arcot, dated 10th May 1860, No. 99.

(In Con., 14th May 1860, No. 2,238.)

Resolved, that the above letter and its Enclosure from the Acting Collector of North Arcot, be submitted for the consideration and orders of Government, with reference to their Order in the Revenue Department, No. 604, dated 20th April 1860.

2. The Acting Collector states that two sums advanced on account of bandies remain unadjusted in his District, viz., one of Rupees 153-3-0, advanced in December 1857, by the late Joint Magistrate, on account of the men of the disbanded 8th Regiment Light Cavalry, transferred to other Regiments, and one of Rupees 14-4-0 on account of the Right Honorable the Governor's Body Guard, on their march from Vellore to the Nilgiris in 1858.

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4. Great delay has occurred in the Sub-Divisional Office in the adjustment of these advances, but the Collector has instructed the Acting Sub-Collector to adopt immediate measures for the recovery of the larger sum, and he intends to adjust the smaller one through his own Office.

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No. 1,360, Military Department, Enclosure in No. 604, dated 20th April 1860, R. D., in Con., 21st April 1860, No. 1,812.

(A true Extract.)

Secretary.

To J. D. Bourdillon, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.

Copy to J. D. Robinson, Esq., Acting Collector of North Arcot.

Exd. J. Wright.

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Board of Revenue.

Dated 29th May 1860.
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No. 937. 7 June.

Submitting with the Board's observations a letter from the Actg Collector of North Arcot furnishing the information required by Government regarding the Money advanced to a Contractor being ever recovered from him in the event of the Carts contracted for not being required by the authorities-

With an order

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This paper and its enclosures will be communicated to the Military Depart. with reference to the order in that Depart. dated 9/31/60 No. 1360-

2. The Board of Revr will be requested also to call for and submit explanation as to the matter noticed in Para 5 of that order, viz. the collection of Carts for the 60th Regt. N.I many months before the arrival of that Regiment-

For 6 Sec Govt
7 June 1860.
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