

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 1528	Press Mis.
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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
1st August 1861.*

No. 1. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 16th July 1861,
No. 3,759:—

Read the following letter from JAMES INNES MINCHIN, Esq., Acting Collector of Kurnool,
to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Kurnool,
29th June 1861, No. 70.

SIR,

1. In my report dated 5th instant, No. 58, on the operations of the printing press in 1860-61, I brought to the notice of the Board the unserviceable state of the Wooden Press supplied to this District.

2. Having only one Iron Washington Press of Foolscap broadside size, and no other to strike off proofs, the printing work progresses very slowly, I therefore beg that the sanction of Government may be obtained to furnish this District with a *Galley Proof Press* with all its appurtenances complete, at your earliest convenience, as the earnings of the press cannot purchase one.

3. I also beg that you will furnish me with instructions, as to what I am to do with the unserviceable Wooden Press.

1. Resolved that the above letter be submitted to Government with the Board's recommendation that the Superintendent of the Fort Saint George Gazette Press, be instructed to purchase for the Collector of Kurnool a Wooden Press of the kind supplied to the other Districts.

2. A Galley Proof Press applied for by the Collector is not among the articles sanctioned by Government for supply at the direct expense of the State, and cannot therefore be recommended.

3. The Wooden Press now with the Collector was received from Malabar late in 1859, or in the beginning of last year, in a state of disrepair, and is now reported to be unserviceable. It cannot be mended in Kurnool. The Board recommend that its sale be authorized; in the event of no purchasers coming forward in the District, it may be transferred to the Collector of Bellary who will probably be able to dispose of it.

4. From the report now in this Office on the working of the Kurnool Press for 1860-61, it appears that the earnings of the press are as yet very small, and that work progresses but slowly, owing partly to want of skill in the Compositors, and partly to the Iron Inking Machine supplied with the Iron Press having been injured in transit, and requiring a new Roller which has not yet been provided.

5. Under these circumstances the Board deem it desirable that the Wooden Press now applied for, should be furnished at an early date, and request that orders may be passed accordingly.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary.*

No. 2.

ORDER THEREON, 1st August 1861, No. 1,528.

1. Agreeably to the recommendation of the Board of Revenue, in paragraph 1 of these Proceedings, the Government authorize the Superintendent of the Fort Saint George Gazette Press to supply to the Collector of Kurnool a Roller Proof Press of the kind supplied to the other Districts. This sanction is granted on the understanding that the cost of the Press will be met out of the Budget allotment for the District.

2. The arrangement suggested at the latter end of paragraph 3, for the disposal of the unserviceable Press there referred to, is sanctioned.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

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(True Copy & Extract.)

H. K. L. L.
Secretary.

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