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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 1065	Press Mis.
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Dated 15th May 1862.	

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 15th May 1862.

No. 270. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 15th April 1862, No. 2,478.

Read the following letters:—

From F. S. CHILD, Esq., Sub-Collector in charge of South Arcot, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated Cuddalore, 1st March 1862, No. 37.

SIR,

1. With reference to the Board's Proceedings No. 905, dated 8th ultimo, I have the honor to forward a Statement of extra servants employed in the Bungalows named in the margin.

Tindevanum.
Munjacoopum.
Ammapettay.

2. The Board will observe that the arrears of wages due to the extra servants from April to December 1861, is Rupees 94-8-0, less by Rupees 32-5-3 than the amount for which sanction was solicited.

3. This amount, viz., Rupees 32-5-3 includes certain contingent charges enumerated in the margin, which having been included under extra Establishment in the Contingent Bill, the Civil Paymaster disallowed.

Waterman.
Washerman.
Pots.
Oil.
Repair of Furniture.
} Average 1-12-8 per each Bungalow for 9 months.

From J. W. B. DYKES, Esq., Collector of Nellore, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated Indukurupett, 11th March 1862, No. 45.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Official Memorandum, dated the 26th ultimo, No. 93, calling for the information required in paragraph 1 of Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated the 20th November 1861, No. 6,413, to enable the Board to pass the Contingent Bill from this Office for the month of October last.

2. In the first paragraph of their Proceedings, No. 6,413 of the 20th November 1861, the Board called upon me to explain under what sanction the Almirahs reported in my letter of the 6th idem, No. 229, to have been furnished to the public Bungalows in the District, were made up, from what funds their cost was defrayed, and whether provision for such a charge has been made in my Budget for this year.

3. In reply I have the honor to state as regards the first point that the Almirahs were made up in accordance to the Proceedings of the Board, dated the 14th November 1860, No. 5,299, and as regards the second and third points that the charge was paid by me out of the Treasury on receipt of the Bill from the Engineer Workshop at Nellore, as detailed in my letter of the 6th November 1861, No. 229, and that I failed to make any provision in the Budget, as also stated in the 3rd paragraph of my letter of the 6th November just referred to.

4. Originally I proposed to make corner cup-boards for the Bungalows of this District, and submitted an Estimate for that purpose with my letter of the 5th September 1860, No. 143. This Estimate, under date the 14th September 1860, the Board* forwarded for the opinion of the Chief Engineer, who considered it incorrect in details and returned it for correction; and in communicating to me the Chief Engineer's opinion in their Proceedings, No. 5,299 of the 14th November 1860, the Board stated "that suitable Almirahs of teakwood "could be obtained in Madras for about 47 Rupees each, and unless cheaper were procurable in "Nellore, the Board could send a sufficient number in marked pieces to be put together in the District."

* Their Proceedings of that date, No. 4,175.

5. On receipt of these Proceedings, I again put myself in communication with the Acting District Engineer; the Estimates objected to by the Chief Engineer were carefully revised; the plan of corner cup-boards was given up; and the Almirahs referred to by the Board estimated for. The Acting District Engineer engaged to have them made at the Public Works for 50 Rupees

a piece; and I at once accepted his offer as the difference of 3 Rupees, it was clear, would not cover the cost of carriage and putting up, supposing the Almirahs were made up at Madras, and sent up in pieces as proposed by the Board.

6. Should the Board not have intended their Order of the 14th November 1860, No. 5,299, to be a final order, I must express my regret for having misunderstood it, and must further express my regret that no provision was made by me for meeting the charge, as stated in the 3rd paragraph of my letter to the Board of the 6th November 1861, No. 229.

From H. A. BRETT, Esq., Collector of Salem, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated 7th March 1862, No. 50.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to enclose a Bill for 16 chairs which have been recently procured for some of the Travellers' Bungalows in this District under emergent circumstances, and to request the Board will be good enough to obtain the sanction of Government to my debiting the charge against the occupation fees collected in this District.

2. The new chairs have been obtained chiefly for the use of the Bungalows on the line between Tripatur and Bangalore in place of old chairs that were found to be passed repair; and have at my request been provided by the District Engineer in anticipation of sanction, in consequence of great complaints made by Travellers that the Bungalows were so badly supplied with this article of furniture, that in some cases there was scarcely any chair fit for use. The current year's receipts under the head of occupation fees amounted up to the end of last month to Rupees 647-14-7 against 337-5-0 expended up to the same date. There are therefore sufficient funds from this source to meet the sum expended in the purchase of the chairs, if the Government will allow the charge to be thus defrayed.

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1. The first of the letters above recorded contains an application from the Collector of South Arcot for sanction for certain additional servants employed in some of the Travellers' Bungalows in his District at a monthly cost of Rupees 10-8-0 and for disbursing their arrears of pay from April to December, aggregating Rupees 94-8-0, besides sundry contingent charges, amounting to Rupees 32-5-3. This application is based on the Order of Government, dated 7th September 1857, No. 894, and upon the circumstance that the Fee Fund is available for the purpose. In regard to the first point, the Board observe that the Order quoted by the Collector is not applicable to the present case, as that Order authorizes only certain *contingent* charges not to exceed Rupees 20. As for the other point, viz., that the Fee Fund is available, the Board observe that under instructions from the Auditor General of India and the Accountant General, these fees are carried to the credit of Government, the charges connected with the Bungalows being borne by the State. Owing to this altered arrangement, the fees in question are not available, and the charges must, therefore, be met from the General Funds.

In Cons. 25th September 1857, No. 3,591.

2. No provision was made for this charge in the Budget for 1861-62, under the impression that the Fee Fund was available to meet it, and consequently, the item was disallowed by the Civil Paymaster from May 1861.

3. The applications from the Collectors of Nellore and Salem, in their letters recorded above, are for sanction for charges incurred in making up certain articles of furniture for the Bungalows in their Districts as detailed in the margin. In neither of these cases has previous sanction been obtained for incurring the charges. The Collector of Salem proposes to debit the charge to the Fee Fund, but this as already observed, is not available. Provision has not been made for these charges in the Budget of 1861-62, as it was considered that they could be met from the Fee Fund, which was formerly at the disposal of the Collectors, for defraying charges of the kind

Nellore.	Rs.	A.	P.
For making 16 Almirahs at Rupees 59 each	800	0	0
Carriage, &c., charges	79	7	7
Total...	879	7	7
Salem.			
16 chairs at 4 Rupees each	64	0	0
Carriage, &c., charges	2	0	0
Total...	66	0	0

under notice connected with the Travellers' Bungalows. This being no longer the case, it becomes necessary to request Government to obtain the special sanction of the Government of India for these charges.

4. The Board, however, take this opportunity of bringing prominently to the notice of Government the general question of the expediency of the change ordered by the Auditor General of India by directing that the occupation fees of the Travellers' Bungalows be credited to the State, while under the idea that this Fund was available as hitherto charges were incurred without making any provision in the Budget for meeting them out of the General Funds.

5. The Board think it most desirable that the Bungalow Fee Fund should still be available as was the case hitherto, for replacing or renewing furniture, &c., and should this be permitted there are sufficient funds in South Arcot and Salem to meet the charges in question. Mr. Dykes will be requested to report how the receipts and charges up to date stand in Nellore, and what balance is available for meeting the present charge. Should it, however, be considered that this Government is not competent to order the appropriation of the Fund as usual, contrary to the instructions of the Auditor General, the Board request that the special sanction of the Government of India may be obtained for adjusting the charges in question amounting in all the three Districts to Rupees 1,072-4-10, and for the pay of the additional servants in South Arcot for January and the following months at Rupees 10-8-0 per month.

South Arcot.	Rs.	A.	P.
Pay of additional servants in arrears from April to December 1861	94	8	0
Sundry contingent charges	32	5	3
Total..	126	13	3
Nellore as per particulars given in paragraph 3.	879	7	7
Salem do. do.	66	0	0
Total...	1,072	4	10

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL, *Sub-Secretary.*

No. 271. ORDER THEREON, 15th May 1862, No. 1,065.

The Accountant General will be requested to report whether there is any saving in the provision made in the original and Supplemental Budgets for 1861-62, to which the charges noticed in these Proceedings can be debited.

(Signed) P. P. HUTCHINS,
Acting Deputy Secretary to Government.

Memorandum

It is requested that the original statements of Extra servants entertained in the Rawalpindi Bungalows in South Africa forwarded to Government with the Board's Proceedings dated 15th April 1862 No 2478, may be returned, as it is required for immediate reference.

Revenue Board Office 24th Sept 1862

Head Parish Assistant to the Bd of Revenue

To

The Registrar of the Government Office. R. D.

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opy to C. W. Reade, Esq., Collector of South Arcot.
„ J. W. B. Dykes, Esq., Collector of Nellore.
„ to Honorable D. Arbuthnott, Collector of Salem.

J. Wright.

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No. 1266.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated 15th *April* 1862.
Despatched. 1st *May* 1862.
Received. 2d
Encs 2 angl Returned 25-9-62.

No. 2,478.

Requesting sanction for adjusting certain charges incurred on account of Traveller's Bungalows in the Districts of South Arcot, Nellore, and Salem, and for the pay of the additional servant in South Arcot for January and following months.

From B. of R. 15 May

Nos 270 & 271.

Ex 1065, 15 May
With accounts

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To, The Bd of Revenue Dept 16
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