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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 2nd June 1862.

No. 8. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 7th May 1862, No. 2,884:—

Read the following letter from B. CUNLIFFE, Esq., Collector of Madras, to HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated Sydapet, 11th April 1862, No. 114.

SIR,

With reference to the accompanying copy of a letter from the Acting Accountant General, dated 5th instant, No. 4,646, I have the honor to request the instructions of the Board, as to whether fees for stamping weights and measures should be credited to the Local Fund, and payments on account of Establishment debited to it, as directed in their Proceedings of the 6th September last, No. 4,837. Should the Board, however, agree with the Acting Accountant General that the fees should be credited to "Sayer," I have to solicit the sanction of Government for paying the Establishment, employed at a monthly cost of Rupees 102, from the unappropriated salary of the Joint Magistrate of Punamalli, provided for in the Budget for 1861-62 and 1862-63, the office having since been abolished, and provision will be made for regular payment in the following Budget.

From F. LUSHINGTON, Esq., Acting Accountant General, to B. CUNLIFFE, Esq., Collector of Madras, dated Fort Saint George, 5th April 1862, No. 4,646.

SIR,

With reference to your letter No. 24, dated the 2nd instant, I have the honor to state, that, as the Auditor General of India has ruled, that fees for stamping weights and measures should be credited to 2 "Sayer;" this Office is not empowered to admit credits on that account, under "Local Funds." The payments on account of the Establishment will likewise be inadmissible, without the pass of the Civil Paymaster.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) B. CUNLIFFE, *Collector.*

1. Ordered to be submitted for the orders of Government.

2. In his letter, dated 7th August 1861, the Collector brought to notice that there had been several representations on the part of bazarmen and others that they are put to much inconvenience by not having their measures and weights stamped by Government; and recommended the entertainment of an Establishment at 17 Rupees a month in each Kasbah for the purpose, the charge on account of it being met from the fees collected. The Board, in their Proceedings dated 6th September 1861, No. 4,837, sanctioned this Establishment experimentally for one year, and directed the expense to be charged to the Local Fund, the fees collected being credited to the same head, and the result of the experiment being detailed in the annual report on the Local Fund. In Madura the stamping fees are credited to the Town Fund, and the Establishment is charged to the same head as reported in Board's Proceedings, dated 12th June 1860, No. 2,759.

3. It appears from the Collector's letter that the Acting Accountant General objects to the fees in question being credited to the Local Fund, as the Auditor General of India has ruled that such receipts should be credited to 2 "Sayer," but the Board contend that the order is not applicable to those cases in which no charge is incurred by Government for Establishment, and where all charges connected with the stamping are disbursed from the amount of fees collected. In Madras Town there is a Stamping Establishment employed under the sanction of Government, and here the fees collected are properly carried to the credit of Government under the head "Sayer," but in regard to the fees collected in the Táluqs as an experimental measure, the same course cannot be followed without increasing a heavy charge for a permanent Establishment, to be entertained under the sanction of Government. The Collector was authorized to employ a small Establishment to be paid from the amount of the fees collected merely for the convenience of merchants, and if the collection of fees falls short of the cost of the Establishment, will have to be either reduced or dispensed with. The Board trust, therefore, that the instructions of the Auditor General of India will not be considered to apply to cases of this kind, and they accordingly request that the Government will be pleased to direct the Accountant General to permit

the stamping fees to be credited to the Local Fund, and the charges connected therewith to be debited to it.

(True Copies and Extract.)

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

No. 9. ORDER THEREON, 2nd June 1862, No. 1,210.

1. The Board are requested to submit a Tabular Statement of the Establishment required in 1862-63, with a Memorandum of the receipts and charges up to the 30th April 1862, and of the Establishment entertained up to that date. The question will then be submitted to the Government of India, with a recommendation that the course proposed by the Board be adopted as being practically the most convenient arrangement.

2. The Government wish to know what standards have been adopted by the Collector.

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

No. 2,884.

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P. P. Dalyell

Sub-Secretary.

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

Copy to B. Cunliffe, Esq., Collector of Madras.

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No. 2,884.

From the Secy. to the Govt of Madras

Submitting for orders letter from the Collector of Madras requesting instructions regarding the fees for Stamping weights and measures, with the Board's request that the Government will be pleased to direct the Accountant General to permit the Stamping fees to be credited to the Local Fund and the charges connected therewith to be debited to it.

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The Govt agree to be known what should not have been done by the following Dept