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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 20th July 1869.

No. 404. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 3rd July 1869, No. 4,772 :—

Read the following letter from the Collector of Nellore, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Kistnapatnam, 8th May 1869, No. 933.

I HAVE the honour to submit, for the consideration of the Board, the enclosed correspondence with Major Clay with reference to the refusal on the part of that officer of the payment of the prescribed fees for the use of the bungalow at Gudoor.

2. Major Clay, it will be observed, justifies his refusal on the ground that some of the articles that should be supplied are deficient.

3. Should the Board be of opinion that it is not at the discretion of the traveller whether the prescribed fee shall be paid, and that a deficiency in the prescribed articles is a matter for complaint, but not reduction of rates at the will of a traveller, I would recommend that the matter should be submitted for the orders of Government.

4. I would have referred this matter in the first instance to the Superintending Engineer, but he probably would return me the same reply as Major Clay has in respect to his Assistant, Mr. Lyon ; and I therefore write to the Board direct to save time.

5. I will write to Mr. Lyon on the subject of the fees due by him, and trust that in his case there will be no necessity for troubling the Board.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From the Collector of Nellore, to the Executive Engineer, Nellore Range, dated Kistnapatnam, 26th April 1869, No. 835.

I FIND from your remark in the monthly statement for the travellers' bungalow at Gudoor, that you have not paid the full amount due when staying there on the 1st of March, because the bungalow has not the proper complement of articles. And it appears from the report from the Tahsildar, that when staying at the bungalow on the 12th of this month, you have again failed to pay the full amount due, and Mr. Lyon, your Assistant, has pursued the same course.

2. I have the honour to inform you that it is not a question for travellers to decide what amount of fee they shall pay. The fee is fixed and will be paid by all who use the bungalow.

3. And I request that you will be so good as to arrange for the balance due by yourself being paid to the servant in charge of the bungalow with as little delay as possible, as he is responsible for its due collection.

4. I believe Mr. Lyon is under your orders. Should this be the case, I request that he may be instructed similarly to pay the balance he owes.

Memorandum from Major A. D. CLAY, Executive Engineer, 1st or Nellore Range, to the Deputy Collector in charge of Treasury, Nellore, dated 28th April 1869, No. 57.

YOUR letter, No. 487, dated 24th instant.

2. Declines to pay more than half fees for halt at the Gudoor bungalow, until the numerous broken articles are replaced. The table, shades, cups, etc., and many other things were broken months ago, and the amount recovered from travellers, but no steps have been taken till now to replace them. The fee is charged in consideration of the convenience afforded by a proper supply of necessary articles ; if these are deficient, the fee cannot fairly be charged. I would suggest a reference to the Board of Revenue.

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From Major A. D. CLAY, Executive Engineer, 1st or Nellore Range, to the Collector of Nellore, dated Survapulli, 6th May 1869, No. 68.

In reply to your letter, No. 835, of 26th ultimo, received by me to-day, I beg to refer you to my letter, No. 57, of the 28th ultimo, to the Deputy Collector on the same subject.

2. I exercise no jurisdiction over Mr. Lyon in matters of this kind, and would, therefore, suggest your writing to him direct.

3. Very much inconvenience has been experienced by travellers in consequence of the deficiency, at the various bungalows on the Madras road, of articles absolutely necessary, and with which, under the orders of the Board of Revenue, they should be supplied.

Submitted for the orders of Government.

2. The Board consider that Major Clay and Mr. Lyon are not justified in withholding any portion of the regulated fees, on the plea that some of the articles prescribed for use in the bungalows are wanting, and that these gentlemen should accordingly be directed to pay up the sums due by them at once.

3. Since the receipt of the above letter the Collector has been furnished by the Board with sundry articles of furniture and crockery which he had indented for some time ago, and a portion of which could not be supplied before, owing to the misconduct of the contractor who undertook to supply the furniture. The Collector has been requested to state whether any other articles are required to make up the full complement allowed for the bungalows in his district.

No. 465. Order thereon, 20th July 1869, No. 2,116.

Miscellaneous.

The Government concur with the Board of Revenue. The necessary orders will accordingly be issued in Public Works Department.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Public Works Department.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Govt. of {1869} Madras.

REVENUE.

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

&c; &c., &c.

Dated July, 20th.

Recd. Encl.

G. O., 20th July 1869, No. 2,116.

JULY.

Nos. 464-465.

Bungalow fees due by Major Clay and Mr. Lyon.—Orders to be issued in Public Works Department regarding its payment.