

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
4th October 1865.*

No. 61. Read the following letter from F. H. HENSLOWE, Esq., Agent and Manager Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, to Major J. H. M. SHAW STEWART, Under Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 23rd September 1865, No. 341A.

SIR,

1. In the absence of Captain Mullins I have the honor to address you in order to request that copies of Government Order No. 2,760, of 19th instant, may be communicated to the Editors of the Madras Newspapers.

2. The justice of granting my request cannot, I am sure, be questioned for a moment.

3. On the 22nd July Captain Mullins wrote to me (No. 131), asking for my opinion respecting the rate to be charged the Municipality of Kurnool for the supply of water to that town.

4. I acceded to his request, and referred him to my letter of 17th May (No. 31), in which I gave my reasons for considering the maximum rate of one Rupee for 400 cubic yards unreasonably low. Nevertheless, I informed him in the same letter that, (in consequence of a correspondence which had passed between Mr. Minchin and Mr. Latham,) I had recommended that for this year Rupees 1,000 or Rupees 1,500 only should be charged, and that in the meantime the question should be gone into with a view to future settlement. An Order of Government (No. 1,884) issued on the 14th August, accompanied by a letter from Captain Mullins misrepresenting my letter, which however was not allowed to appear, and couched in terms highly offensive as regarded both the Company and myself. That Government Order with Captain Mullins' letter was immediately communicated to the Press, and on its public appearance, I wrote on the 24th August a letter which has now been printed with Government Order No. 2,760, of the 19th September.

5. I consider the appearance of Captain Mullins' misrepresentations in the Madras newspapers injurious to the Company, and therefore I trust that such tardy remedy as can be applied may be afforded by the publication of my letter of the 24th August.

Referred to the Revenue Department, with reference to the Orders in that Department No. 2,211, dated 14th September 1865.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
25th September 1865.

(Signed) J. H. M. SHAW STEWART, Major, R. E.,
Under Secretary to Government.

No. 62. ORDER THEREON, 4th October 1865, No. 2,397.

Miscellaneous. Ordered accordingly that the following papers be laid on the Editor's table:—

Procs. of Govt., dated 14th September 1865, No. 2,211, Revenue Department.

Do. do. dated 19th do. „ „ 2,760, Public Works Dept.
(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Public Works Department.
„ the Board of Revenue.
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Your most obedient servant

W. Martineau
Agent & Treasurer

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