

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
30th October 1865.*

No. 553. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 14th October 1865, No. 6,533.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Madras, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Saidapet, 25th September 1865, No. 306:—

1. With reference to the Board's Proceedings, dated 24th ultimo, No. 5,183, I have the honor to submit a revised bill of the pay of the establishment for stamping weights and measures from 1st May to 30th June 1864, and to state that the delay complained of occurred in the Vernacular Account Department, the Head Accountant of which, supposing that the charge could not be incurred after the 30th April 1864, agreeably to the Order of Government of 26th February 1863, simply recorded the accounts without bringing them up for orders; he has been severely reprimanded.

2. The receipts and charges under this head, from May 1864, having been credited and debited to Miscellaneous, under instructions of the Accountant General, the pay of the establishment employed in Chingleput from January to April, was disallowed, as the collections were below the expenditure; but as it was subsequently ascertained that it was through no fault of the employés that there was this falling off in the collections, it became necessary to disburse them their pay. But the official year having expired, and the charge could not be debited to its proper head "Stamping Weights and Measures" under "Local Funds," and as the Accountant General will not admit such a charge, unless it be specially sanctioned by Government, I beg you will be good enough to obtain the sanction of

	RS.	A.	P.	
From 1st January to 30th April 1864	68	0	0	174-8-0, as shewn in the margin. This
From 1st May to 23rd June 1864 ..	106	8	0	can be met from the item provided for in
Total...	174	8	0	the Budget for 1865-66, "Charges for

remittance of Treasure" beyond the District under IX. Miscellaneous.

3. The delay adverted to by the Board in paragraph 1 seems to have been caused by a misunderstanding between the Departments of the Sheristadar and Treasury Deputy, as to whose business it was to prepare the orders for discontinuing the establishment; the former thinking the order was prepared by the Deputy Collector, and the latter thinking by the Sheristadar.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 1 and 2.—Bills.

1. The Board observe that the Collector's explanation regarding the delay noticed by them is not satisfactory. The Order of Government, dated 26th February 1863, No. 410, directing the continuance of the Stamping Establishment in the Madras District till the close of 1863-64, was communicated to the Collector with the Board's Proceedings, dated 5th March 1863, No. 1,361. If this Order was sent to the Treasury Deputy Collector, he should have seen that the necessary orders were sent to the Tahsildars of the Talooks, and next to him the Head Clerk of the English Department was the person whose duty it was to see that orders were passed on the paper in question, before it was brought on the file. If the business of a Department is carried on without some understanding as to what

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duties devolve upon the Sheristadar, and what upon the Deputy Collector, serious blunders must constantly occur. The Vernacular Accountant, who is not expected to understand English, cannot certainly be held responsible for such matters as that under discussion. The Collector is requested to state fully what steps he has taken to prevent such mistakes in future cases.

2. The bill for the Establishment for stamping weights and measures in the Chingleput Talook from January to April 1864, amounting to Rupees 68, will be passed and sent to the Accountant General, as this charge is authorized by the Order of Government, dated 26th February 1863, No. 410. The charge incurred without authority in four Talooks, from 1st May to 23rd June 1864, amounts to Rupees 106-8-0, for which the special sanction of Government will now be requested.

No. 554. ORDER THEREON, 30th October 1865, No. 2,650.

Miscellaneous.

Sanctioned Rupees 106-8-0.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,

Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
 „ the Accountant General.

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No. 6,533.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 14th October 1865.

Read the following letter from E. G. R. FANE, Esq., Collector of Madras, to R. A. DALYELL, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Saidapet, 25th September 1865, No. 306:

1. With reference to the Board's Proceedings, dated 24th ultimo, No. 5,183, I have the honor to submit a revised bill of the pay of the establishment for stamping weights and measures from 1st May to 30th June 1864, and to state that the delay complained of occurred in the Vernacular Account Department, the Head Accountant of which, supposing that the charge could not be incurred after the 30th April 1864, agreeably to the Order of Government of 26th February 1863, simply recorded the accounts without bringing them up for orders: he has been severely reprimanded.

2. The receipts and charges under this head, from May 1864, having been credited and debited to Miscellaneous, under instructions of the Accountant General, the pay of the establishment employed in Chingleput, from January to April, was disallowed, as the collections were below the expenditure; but as it was subsequently ascertained that it was through no fault of the employes that there was this falling off in the collections, it became necessary to disburse them their pay. But the official year having expired, and the charge could not be debited to its proper head "Stamping Weights and Measures" under "Local Funds," and as the Accountant General will not admit such a charge, unless it be specially sanctioned by Government, I beg you will be good enough to obtain the sanction of Government for the amount, viz., Rupees 174-8-0, as shown in the margin. This can be

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From 1st January to 30th April 1864	68	0	0
From 1st May to 23rd June 1864	106	8	0
Total	174	8	0

met from the item provided for in the Budget for 1865-66, "Charges for remittance of treasury" beyond the District under IX. Miscellaneous.

3. The delay adverted to by the Board in paragraph 1 seems to have been caused by a misunderstanding between the departments of the Serishtadar and Treasury Deputy as to whose business it was to prepare the orders for discontinuing the establishment; the former thinking the order was prepared by the Deputy Collector, and the latter thinking by the Serishtadar.

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2. The bill for the Establishment for stamping weights and measures in the Chingleput Taluk from January to April 1864, amounting to Rupees 68, will be passed and sent to the Accountant General, as this charge is authorized by the Order of Government, dated 26th

February 1863, No. 410. The charge incurred without authority in four Taluks, from 1st May to 23rd June 1864, amounts to Rupees 106-8-0, for which the special sanction of Government will now be requested.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

W. H. Hudson

Acting Secretary.

To W. Hudleston, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, R. D.,
with a bill for Rupees 106-8-0.

Copy to F. Lushington, Esq., Accountant General,
with a bill for Rupees 68,
to E. G. R. Fane, Esq., Collector of Madras.

Sanctioned L. 106-8-0
2650.

Exd. J. Wright.

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30 Oct 65

No. 26 January 1865

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,
No. 29881

*Recd. 1865. Department
for the Board*

*Recd. 21 Oct 65
No. 6533*

No. 26 Oct 65

Forwarding passed to the Accountant General
bill for the pay of the Stamping Establishment
employed in Chingleput taluk Madras district
from January to April 1864, amounting to Ru-
pees 68; and requesting the special sanction of
Government to a further charge of Rupees
106-8-0 incurred without authority in four other
Taluks from 1st May to 23rd June 1864

With order