

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
1st May 1865.*

No. 5. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 30th January 1865, No. 497.

Read the following letters:—

From G. BANBURY, Esq., Acting Collector of North Arcot, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Chittoor, 5th January 1865, No. 1.

1. In forwarding the accompanying copy of a letter, dated 23rd December 1864, No. 482, from Mr. Barlow, I have the honor to state that I fully concur with him in the recommendation that he now makes regarding an increase of pay to the Hoozoor Cutcherry Deloyets. My wonder is how they manage to live on their present salaries. Horse-keepers with their wives as grass-cutters earn 10 Rupees a month, and the former have their clothes given them. Deloyets earn 6 and 7 Rupees a month, and have to find their own turbands, coats, and cummerbunds. The head of the office always expects these servants to look smart and tidy, and I must say, as far as I have seen, they always endeavor to meet their superior's wishes in this respect. With the present price of food, and the present price of all wearing apparel, the office Peons must be driven to the greatest straits to provide for their daily wants.

2. In former days, no doubt, a Deloyet was a man of some importance; he was entrusted with Maramut works, grave Police cases, execution of search warrants, and many miscellaneous duties in which he was the principal person, and in which he had many opportunities of increasing his monthly salary. Now his position is totally changed, his prestige is nil, and people are now too well educated, and too well aware of their own rights to give douceurs to this now comparatively insignificant class of public servants. Beyond one or two Rupees given annually by the Tahsildar or Sub-Magistrate at Jummabundy, I imagine the former indirect earnings of this class of servants have disappeared.

3. It is doubtless gratifying to perceive that this system of feeing and petty extortion is becoming extinct; and under such satisfactory proofs of social improvement, I doubt not Government would be prepared to consider favorably a proposal to increase the salaries of these employés, which were doubtless fixed with reference to a state of affairs which no longer exists. I would beg to request that Mr. Barlow's recommendation that "they should all receive 8 Rupees each" may be favorably viewed. Should, however, this proposition not meet with the Board's approval, I would suggest that batta be given to the Deloyets whenever they are deputed to any duty away from the Hoozoor Cutcherry. As the Batta rules now stand, they are only entitled to this indulgence when they are on circuit *with* the Cutcherry.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From R. W. BARLOW, Esq., Acting Sub-Collector of North Arcot, to G. BANBURY, Esq., Acting Collector of North Arcot, dated Vellore, 23rd December 1864, No. 482.

1. I enclose a Petition I received from the Deloyets of my office, soliciting an increase of pay; it seems to me to deserve some consideration.

2. Of the eight Deloyets attached to this office, two get 7 Rupees a month, and the other six only Rupees 6 each; this is hardly enough, considering prices have altered so much of late years, particularly absolute necessities, such as rice and articles of clothing.

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3. In many other Departments pay has been raised; a Talook Peon now gets Rupees 6 instead of Rupees 3-8-0 as formerly, while the Deloyet, who is always expected to be neat and well dressed, remains in the same position as regards salary as he was years ago. I should be glad if you could recommend some addition to their pay, and would suggest that they should all receive 8 Rupees each.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) G. BANBURY,

Acting Collector.

From J. SILVER, Esq., Collector of Tinnevely, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 20th January 1865, No. 49.

1. I have the honor to submit the following case for the consideration and orders of the Board and Government.

2. The Peons, Attenders, and Mashaljees in the Hoozoor Cutcherry, and the Post Runners,

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very high prices now prevailing in this District, owing to the failure of the monsoon, and soliciting the matter into their consideration, and recommend to Government, that if possible, some measure of relief may be given to the above classes of servants.

Ordered that the above papers be submitted to Government in continuation of Board's Proceedings, dated 6th June and 20th September 1864, Nos. 888 and 6,400 respectively.

No. 6. ORDER THEREON, 1st May 1865, No. 888.

Miscellaneous.

Recorded, with reference to the Proceedings of Government, dated 4th April 1865, No. 726, paragraph 10.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,

Acting Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

No. 497.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 30th January 1865.

Read the following letters:—

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3. It is doubtless gratifying to perceive that this system of feigning and petty extortion is becoming extinct; and under such satisfactory proofs of social improvement, I doubt not Government would be prepared to consider favorably a proposal to increase the salaries of these employes, which were doubtless fixed with reference to a state of affairs which no longer exists. I would beg to request that Mr. Barlow's recommendation that "they should all receive 8 Rupees each" may be favorably viewed. Should, however, this proposition not meet with the Board's approval, I would suggest that batta be given to the Deloyets whenever they are deputed to any duty away from the Huzur Cutcherry. As the Batta rules now stand, they are only entitled to this indulgence when they are on circuit with the Cutcherry.

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submitted Petitions to me, stating that their present salaries, varying from Rupees 5 to 10 per mensem as shown in the margin, are quite inadequate for the maintenance of themselves

and their families, in consequence of the very high prices now prevailing in this District, owing to the failure of the monsoon, and soliciting that their salaries may be increased. I, therefore, request that the Board will be pleased to take the matter into their consideration, and recommend to Government, that if possible, some measure of relief may be given to the above classes of servants.

Ordered that the above papers be submitted to Government, in continuation of Board's Proceedings, dated 8th June and 29th September 1864, Nos. 3,521 and 6,400 respectively.

(True Copies and Extract.)

[Signature]

Secretary.

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

Copy to J. D. Robinson, Esq., Collector of North Arcot.
" to J. Silver, Esq., Collector of Tinnevely.

Exd. J. Wright.

*Recorded
with reference to
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the 11th April 1865
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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

No. 291.

Rev. 1865. Department.

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No. 497.

Submitting letters from the Collectors of North Arcot and Tinnevely recommending that an increase of pay be given to certain Poorer Servants in their respective Districts.

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