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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 1797 Press Mis.

Dated 20-7- 1866.

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No. 378. Read the following letter from the Officiating Collector of Tanjore, to the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Point Calimere, Trutrapundi Talook, 10th July 1866, No. 742:—

1. Upon the receipt of your Telegram on the 30th ultimo, regarding the 10,000 bags of rice, I have the honor to state that I at once sent off to the Sub-Collector, who the next morning began to make the necessary enquiries, and the result of which has been already communicated to you by that Officer's telegram. I found upon visiting Negapatam that the Sub-Collector had not been able to procure the grain under Rupees 8-8-0 per bag, as the price had gone up, and has subsequently risen considerably, so that the price at which we have purchased may be deemed a fair and favorable rate. When I left Vallam the price was for a similar quantity Rupees 9-2-0, and this large purchase had of course greatly enhanced the market rate at Negapatam. The cost of the bags is six Annas each, and this is not included in the price of the grain; but the merchants will give us back that same sum for each bag delivered in good order to them again, and as this comes to Rupees 3,750 it may be deemed worth while to return these sáks should the "Tubal Cain" come back to Madras direct.

2. You will have learnt from Mr. Hutchins that all the quantity required was not procurable at Negapatam, but that the total amount to be shipped will be made up by supplies from Karrical and Tranquebar, at which ports the "Tubal Cain" will touch.

3. As far as I can at present ascertain, the total outlay will be as follows, but there may be some small extra charges which I will duly communicate:—

Cost of 10,000 bags of rice at Rupees 8-8-0 ...	Rupees	85,000
Cost of sáks	,,	3,750
Putting on board	,,	500
		89,250

In order to secure the quantity at the price named during a rising market, I had to advance Rupees 80,000, and have, therefore, to solicit sanction for this outlay, as well as for the balance Rupees 9,250.

4. The departure of the "Tubal Cain" with her cargo from the several ports will be duly communicated.

No. 379. ORDER THEREON, 20th July 1866, No. 1,797.

Miscellaneous.

1. Communicated to the Accountant General, who will issue the necessary instructions for the adjustment of the charge by debiting the Bengal Government, on whose account the rice was purchased.

2. Copy of these Proceedings will be forwarded to the Revenue Board, Calcutta, on whose application the purchase was made.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Accountant General.
,, the Collector of Tanjore.
,, the Board of Revenue.
Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No 1797.

Comm[d] Ft Wm Dept.
Fm. Bengal with Instructions for the appointment of the Chaplain belonging to Bengal Establishment on Vacancies occurring during the Season.

Copy for Info[n] of the Court of Directors.

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20th July/08

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No 2081.

From
The Dpty Collector
of Customs

To
The Asst Secretary
to Government
Madras

Dated 10th July 1866
Received 11th July 1866

No 742

Requesting to receive 10,000 bags
of rice required by
Government
No 1797 - 20th July

No: 378-379.