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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 3121 Press ~~Mis.~~

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Dated 16 — 11 — ~~19~~ 1866

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No. 575. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 3rd November 1866, No. 7,974.

Read the following letter from the Sub-Secretary to the Board of Revenue, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 18th October 1866:—

1. I have the honor to forward, for transmission to Government, a copy of the revised edition of the Board's Standing Orders, brought up to the present year.

2. Although, as reported in my letter of the 14th April last, the whole of the Circulars had then been arranged and classified and were ready for printing, I found it necessary to make a very careful revision of the orders as the work passed through the Press, and, as the Board are aware, several of the proof sheets were considerably modified in accordance with their orders. This has necessarily occupied much time, as it had to be done concurrently with my other duties as Sub-Secretary to the Board.

3. I much regret the delay which has taken place in the completion of the duty which Government and the Board have been pleased to entrust to me, and, as the results of many months' work now appear even to myself to be so very trifling, a volume of little more than 400 pages, I must crave a reference to the eight octavo volumes of Circulars published up to 1859, and to the ten folios containing the Standing and Miscellaneous Orders of the Board since that date, from which the present volume has been compiled, to give a proper idea of the labors of the undertaking, and I trust that the Board and Government will then be satisfied that the work has been prepared with all the expedition possible under the circumstances.

4. As the Board are aware, the parts into which the work is divided have been reduced from nine to seven, as it was thought advisable to convert original Part IX. into a section of Part VI., and to amalgamate Part VIII. with Part VII. I believe the work, as now arranged, will be found an easy book of reference, and by giving sub-numbers to all orders issued subsequent to the 30th December 1865, the work of bringing future editions up to date will be a simple matter.

5. I have received very considerable assistance from Mr. Gager, the Deputy Registrar of the Board's Office, in the correction of the first proofs of the work, and the preparation of the Index, &c. I would therefore beg to suggest, that an honorarium of Rupees 250 be granted to him as remuneration for this duty, which he has performed in addition to his ordinary office work.

6. The cost of the edition of 350 copies, including the outlay on the specimen part published in 1863 (less the sum realized by its sale), the binding of 325 copies in half calf, and the inter-leaving and binding in full calf of 25 office copies, will be about Rupees 1,500.

7. Mr. Higginbotham is willing to pay this sum, as well as the honorarium to Mr. Gager, if the Government will allow him to have 250 copies of the work, and permit him to sell them to the public at Rupees 10 per copy.

8. It will be observed that, under this arrangement, the Government will have 100 copies of the work for distribution among the several Revenue Offices, free of charge, and that Mr. Higginbotham will sell the remaining 250 copies at an advance of a little more than twenty-five per cent. on what they cost him.

9. I am informed that twenty-five per cent. is the usual commission charged by publishers, both in England and in this country, when a work is paid for before

sale, and I understand that the Government permits Mr. Higginbotham to sell the High Court Reports at an advance of fifty per cent. on the price he pays for them. I also believe that Rupees 10 per copy will be considered a very moderate price for the work, as the first volume of the old edition of the Circulars has always found a ready sale at the same rate. Under these circumstances, I beg to recommend Mr. Higginbotham's proposal for adoption.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

ABSTRACT.—Copy of revised edition of Board's Circular Orders.

1. Ordered that the foregoing letter, with the specimen copy of the revised edition of the Board's Circular Orders, be submitted to Government with the expression of the Board's opinion, that Mr. Dalyell deserves much credit for the very satisfactory manner in which he has performed the responsible task entrusted to him, and for the comparatively short time in which he has completed it, looking at the amount of labor that it involved.

2. Mr. Dalyell was for some four months relieved of other duty to allow him time for completing this work; but the Board are aware that both before being so relieved, and after he resumed his ordinary duties, he devoted much time out of office hours to its performance.

3. The Board beg to support the recommendation made by Mr. Dalyell on behalf of Mr. Gager, the Deputy Registrar of the Office, whose willingness and industry are always marked and commendable, and they see no objection to the arrangement proposed in the concluding paragraphs of the letter.

No. 376. ORDER THEREON, 16th November 1866, No. 3,121.

Miscellaneous.

1. The Government concur with the Board in considering that Mr. Dalyell has discharged the duty entrusted to him in a satisfactory manner, and desire that their acknowledgment be conveyed to him.

2. The Government sanction the proposed gratuity of Rupees 250 to Mr. Gager.

3. The total cost of the work will be about Rupees 1,750, or 5 Rupees per copy.

4. The Government do not consider it desirable to accept Mr. Higginbotham's offer. The edition is a small one, and a considerable number of copies will be required for official distribution, the remainder will be sold at the Government Press Office for 6½ Rupees per copy. On the other hand, no exclusive rights of publication or translation will be reserved, and it will be open to any one to print and sell a re-issue or translation.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Accountant General.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Rev. 1866 Department.

No. 3962.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 3rd November 1866.

No. 7,974.

Submitting letter from Mr. Dalyell, the Sub Secretary, with specimen copy of the revised edition of the Board's Standing Orders; expressing opinion in regard to the satisfactory manner in which the work has been performed, by that gentleman, and recommending the grant of an Honorarium to Mr. Gager, Deputy Registrar, for the assistance rendered by him in the prosecution of the work.

Revenue Department.

No. 3121.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 16th Novr 1866.

Read the following Ro: of the Bd of Revenue

Submitting a letter from W. Salgell, the Sub Collr, with specimen copy of the revised edition of the Bd's standing Orders; & expressing opinion in regard to the satisfactory manner in which the work has been performed by that gentleman, and recommending the grant of an Honorarium to Mr. Sager, Sp. Regr, for the assistance rendered by him in the prosecution of the work.

(Here recite 3d Novr 1866 No. 7974)

The Govt concur with the Board in considering that Mr. Salgell has discharged the duty entrusted to him in a satisfactory manner and desire that their acknowledgement be conveyed to him.

The Govt sanction

the proposed gratuity of Rs 250 to Mr Eager:-

The total cost of the work will be about Rs 1750 or 5 Rs per copy:-

The Govt do not consider it desirable to accept Mr Higginbotham's offer.- The Edition is a limited one & a considerable number of copies will be required for official distribution, the remainder will be sold at the Govt Press office for 6½ Rs per copy:- On the other hand no exclusive rights of publication or translation will be reserved & it will be open to any one to print & sell a re-issue or translation:-

Mr H. offers to pay all charges. The Edition is in 1 pie in 100 chts. he selling the rest. at 10 Rs per copy.- He will thus have Rs. Rs 250 × 10 = 2500 - 1750 = 750 - a handsome profit- I calculate that we shall need 150 copies for official distribution, & Leaf of State - Others for us here - & for the extra 50 we shall have to pay Mr H. Rs 500 - If we keep the Edition we shall have to buy Rs 1750 & get 200 × 6½ = 1300. and be 450 Rs out of pocket - against the Rs 500 we should have to pay Mr H - and the 200 handsome sets - all our embassies - & candidates for our embassies &

4 copies to the Board of Revenue
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I save 3/2 Rs each! of course if we need 200 or more ch[illegible] - our gain will be larger. If we charge 8 Rs - we shall get our 150 chts for Rs 1200 - but 6 seems some profit - & our price will not [illegible] influence the reprint -

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Pro of Madras Govt
dt 16 November 1866

From the Secy to the Board
of Revenue dt 26 Sept 66
Rect 30 Sept 66 Ans dt

Mr Dalyell thanked
the Board for the
manner in which he completed
the revised edition of Rev
Board's Circular Orders
and Orders passed with
reference to its despatch &c

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