

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 390

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
13th February 1866.*

No. 246. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 24th January 1866, No. 554.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Tinnevely, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 8th January 1866, No. 10 :—

1. I have the honor to report on Board Petition No. 2,982 of 1865. The bell which was in the late Cutwal's Choultry formerly belonged to the Nelliapper Pagoda. It seems to have been taken from, or lent by, the Pagoda in 1848, for striking the hours in the Cutwal's Choultry.

2. In 1860, it was reported to be cracked. Mr. Silver sought to learn from the Pagoda Trustee, whether he objected to the bell being melted, and made into ghurries. The Trustee preferred that the bell should be returned to the Pagoda, offering to supply a ghurry at his own expense. Mr. Silver ordered the return of the bell, and accepted the offer of a ghurry from the Trustee; the bell, however, was not returned, and the ghurry was not made. Matters remained in this state till 1865. The old bell being in the Police station house, the late Acting Collector having visited the same, gave the bell to the Superintendent of Police. No inquiry seems to have been held in the Revenue Department, as the bell was at the Police station, and the Tahsildar avers ignorance of the matter.

3. The Police finding the bell in the Cutwal's Choultry, which became a station house, probably considered that it was Government property. I addressed the Superintendent of Police as to whether he was prepared to pay for the value of the metal, and inquired the amount it had been sold for. The Superintendent of Police declined to pay for the bell, and informs me that Rupees 78-2-9 were received, value of the bell when sold.

4. Under the above circumstances, it does not seem creditable to take permanent possession of what originally appears to have been a loan from a Hindoo temple. I would, therefore, recommend that the value of the bell, as above shewn, should be paid to the Petitioner. It cannot be met from my Budget Estimate of contingent charges, and should more probably be debited to the Police Department, who, if they require ghurries, should have the means of paying for them. If this be not feasible, then special sanction is required, and the amount might be debited to unforeseen charges.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Petition.

1. Submitted to Government, with the Board's recommendation that sanction be accorded for the payment to the Petitioner, C. Nyna Pillai, Dharmakurta of Cantimali Ammal Pagoda, of Rupees 78-2-9, the sum said to have been realized by the sale of the bell.

2. The amount might, as suggested by the Collector, be debited to unforeseen charges.

No 247. ORDER THEREON, 13th February 1866, No. 390.

Miscellaneous.

1. Sanctioned.

2. The Collector will ascertain and report

how the Rupees 78-2-9, which was realized by

the Police Department for the bell, has been disposed of.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

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

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 21st January 1866.

Read the following letter from A. WEDDESBURN, Esq., Collector of Tinnevely, to W. HUD-LESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 8th January 1866, No. 10:—

1. I have the honor to report on Board Petition No. 2,952 of 1865. The bell which was in the late Cutwal's choultry formerly belonged to the Nelliapper Pagoda. It seems to have been taken from, or lent by, the Pagoda in 1812, for striking the hours in the Cutwal's choultry.

2. In 1860, it was reported to be cracked. Mr. Silver sought to learn from the Pagoda Trustee, whether he objected to the bell being melted, and made into ghurries. The Trustee preferred that the bell should be returned to the Pagoda, offering to supply a ghurry at his own expense. Mr. Silver ordered the return of the bell, and accepted the offer of a ghurry from the Trustee; the bell, however, was not returned, and the ghurry was not made. Matters remained in this state till 1865. The old bell being in the Police station house, the late Acting Collector having visited the same, gave the bell to the Superintendent of Police. No inquiry seems to have been held in the Revenue Department, as the bell was at the Police station, and the Tahsildar avers ignorance of the matter.

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Enclosure No. 1.—Petition.

1. Submitted to Government, with the Board's recommendation that sanction be accorded for the payment to the Petitioner, C. Nyn Pillai, Dharmakista of Chinnathi Ammal Pagoda, of Rupees 78-2-9, the sum said to have been realized by the sale of the bell.

2. The amount might, as suggested by the Collector, be debited to unforeseen charges.

(A true Copy and Extract)

Acting Sub-Secretary.

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

Copy to A. Wedderburn, Esq., Collector of Tinnevely.

Edw. J. Wright.

Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

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For Board of Rev. Dr.
23 March 1868

Recommending that sanction be granted for payment to Petitioner in No. 2983 of 1865, Dharmakurta of Cardinal's Annual Pagoda in Timmerville District, of the sum of Rupees 78-2-9 realized by the sale of a bell lent by that Pagoda to the late Cutwall's choultry.

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13 July 1966

total was because of the Art. 2.3 which
reduced the number of the units of Article 1.

2 The 1000 will have been
report him the 1000-2-9 which was
received by the Police Dept. for the
Bell has been checked off -

14. To the Secretary, Commonwealth
of Massachusetts

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