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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
25th April 1866.*

No. 405. Read the following letter from the Officiating Director of Revenue Settlement, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Rajahmundry, 30th March 1866, No. 379-11:—

1. Referring to the Order of Government, dated 2nd ultimo, No. 276, I have the honor to state that I have ascertained that the stolen money was entrusted to Bhattu Ramaraz, the Peon who absconded with it, by Supervisor Akkinapragada Narsimha, with instructions to convey and deliver it to Captain Stuart, Assistant Director of Revenue Settlement. Bhattu Ramaraz did not travel entirely alone, but was accompanied by one Syed Rassul, a volunteer, who was the bearer of the Arzee from the Supervisor, reporting the remittance. Syed Rassul reached Captain Stuart's camp, in due course, and delivered the Arzee, but there being no signs of the money or of Bhattu Ramaraz, suspicion was aroused, and on enquiry it was ascertained that the latter had absconded.

2. Syed Rassul was taken into custody, but after an investigation, was released by the Deputy Magistrate, who was satisfied that he was neither responsible for the money, in the first instance, nor had had any share in making away with it. The Deputy Magistrate doubted even that he was aware of the money being in the possession of his companion. It was elicited in the enquiry that Bhattu Ramaraz stopped at the house of a dancing girl at a village en route, and refused to proceed, notwithstanding the remonstrances of Syed Rassul, who thereupon determined to go on alone. Captain Stuart considers that the Supervisor was to blame in not selecting for the duty a more trustworthy Peon, but the Supervisor urges that no other was available at the time, and it is not alleged that the defaulter had previously evinced signs of being untrustworthy. Although there was no joint responsibility for the money, and indeed Syed Rassul, not being in the service of Government, could not have been made actually responsible for it, the Supervisor appears to have felt that some security was afforded by the two men being sent in company. Mr. Melville had long previously given general instructions to his subordinates, that money was never, except in unavoidable cases, to be sent by a single Peon, and that, as a rule, Peons who had accompanied the party from Masulipatam should be employed on such duty, as being more trustworthy than the Kurnool men.

No. 406. ORDER THEREON, 25th April 1866, No. 976.

Land Revenue.

1. The Supervisor, in this case, infringed the orders mentioned as having been issued by Mr. Melville.
2. Mr. Master will ascertain and report whether this was really unavoidable, why the Supervisor did not obtain instructions from his superior before risking so large a sum with a single Peon, and whether he could not have sent the money with the Collector's or Police remittances.
3. Mr. Master will submit his own opinion on the Supervisor's conduct.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

To the Officiating Director of Revenue Settlement.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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25th April 1908

1. The first part of the document is a letter from the President of the United States to the Congress, dated 1793. It is a very important document, as it is the first time the President has addressed the Congress. The letter is written in a very formal and dignified style, and it is a very good example of the President's power.

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