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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 2836 Press ~~Mis.~~

467. 468

Dated 18-10- 1866.

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No. 467. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 15th October 1866.

Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of Trichinopoly, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Trichinopoly, 5th October 1866, No. 206 :—

1. The Sanitary Commissioner having, on his recent visit to this station, informed me of the spirit of the Order of Government, dated the 25th July, the same not having been furnished to this Office, and there being at that time a considerable proportion of able-bodied paupers receiving gratuitous relief, I have the honor to report that I at once took action and drew a sum of Rupees 1,000 from the Treasury as an advance for Relief Works. A gang of these paupers have been employed in levelling the Fort ramparts during the past week, at an expense of something over Rupees 100. Another sum of Rupees 100 I have advanced to Colonel Greenaway, the Executive Engineer, for the purpose of affording labor to the poor in repairing the Dindigul road, seventeen miles from this.

2. Having lately received tidings of considerable distress in the Woodiarpolliem Talook, I have despatched Mr. Comyn there with instructions to open Relief Houses and start Relief Works according as necessity dictates. For these purposes, I have placed at his disposal a sum of Rupees 500. His expenditure on Relief Works only will be charged to Imperial Funds, that for Relief Houses will be met by the funds placed at my disposal by the General Famine Relief Committee.

3. My only Assistant, Mr. Austin, is engaged in employing labor in establishing a tope at Nagamungalum, on the Madura road. It is a Relief Work, but the expense will be met from Jungle Conservancy Funds.

4. There has been very general heavy rain here, at least six inches have fallen. It is therefore probable that but comparatively few persons will, for the present, be forced to resort to our Relief Works, and consequently no great expenditure under that head need be anticipated.

5. I shall hand to Mr. Banbury, on his arrival, a list of Relief Works, prepared in consultation by the Sanitary Commissioner, the Superintending Engineer, and myself, to be undertaken, should necessity occur, the rough estimates for which amount to Rupees 62,000.

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1. Submitted for the information and confirmation of Government.

2. The Board approve the Collector's proceedings. A copy of the Government Order, dated 25th July 1866, No. 1,861, Revenue Department, was forwarded to Mr. Agnew on the 1st instant.

3. The Board trust that the present prospects of the season warrant the expectation that the prevalent distress will speedily disappear.

No. 468. ORDER THEREON, 18th October 1866, No. 2,836.

Approved.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT.
Chief Secretary.

Miscellaneous.

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

Exd. T. Cartledge.

Pro 25th July 1866 No 503.
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Proceedings of the
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Submitting with
remarks for information
& confirmation of Govt.
Letter from Collector of
Trichinopoly, reporting
certain steps taken for
relief of existing Famine—
No. 2836.

Approved
18th Oct 66.

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