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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 9th August 1867.

Read the following papers :—

No. 197. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 4th June 1867, No. 3,434.

Read the following letter from the Superintendent of Stamps, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Madras, 28th May 1867, No. 1,359, of Fusly 1276.

1. I have the honor to bring to the notice of the Board of Revenue that, in consequence of their orders noted in the margin, which necessitate the employment of the Presses hitherto in use, as well as the new ones for impressing the Bi-colored Stamps, I find it impossible to turn out the required quantity of work with the number of Workers and Counters now at my disposal. There are at present twenty* of this class of servants on my establishment. Four of them are attached to the Single Stamp-room, and four to the Double Stamp-room, and the remaining twelve have always been employed in working the three Presses for embossed Stamps at the rate of four† men to each Press. It is necessary to work these Presses now the same as before, as the embossed Stamps are still used in the case of all values below 2 Rupees which form the great bulk of the indents. I have, therefore, no men to work the two Bi-color Presses which I am obliged to use, one for counter-stamping the higher values from 2 Rupees upwards which receive the Bi-colored value stamp at the Mint, and the other for stamping "Private Goods." For the last few days I have endeavoured to get on with the men now available, but the work is not only delayed, but is liable, I fear, to be badly done. Unless we have the full complement of Counters, errors may be committed in the counting also. I therefore propose to employ, temporarily, six additional men, one on 10, and five on 7 Rupees each, so long as I may be under the necessity of using both the old and new Presses. Four‡ of the six new men will be required to work the Bi-color Press in the Press-room which is employed in counter-stamping the higher values of Judicial Stamps, and the remaining two will be employed at the Private Goods Press. Although four men form the proper complement for each Press, still, as there is not incessant work at the Press in the Private Goods Department, one man can be called up from the Press-room, when necessary, to act as Baller, while the counting can be done by the Clerks in the Private Goods Department. I therefore limit the number to be employed at this Press to two.

Proceedings of the Board, dated 21st May 1867.

* 2 on 15 Rupees.
4 on 12 do.
6 on 10 do.
8 on 7 do.

† 2 to work the Press by turns.
1 to feed the Press.
1 to count the sheets as they are stamped.

	Rs.
1 Counter, at 10 Rupees...	10
5 Workers, at 7 do.	35
	45

‡ 1 to work the Press.
1 to feed the Press.
1 to act as Baller.
1 Counter.

2. Under the foregoing explanation, I request early permission for entertaining the six additional men above proposed at a monthly cost of Rupees 45, and for including the charge in my Contingent Bill, as it can be met from the provision made in the Budget for Contingencies.

Sanctioned as a temporary arrangement.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
9th August 1867.

No. 198. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 30th July 1867, No. 4,893.

Read the following Official Memorandum from the Examiner of Claims, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Fort Saint George, 8th July 1867, No. 498.

1. Your Memorandum, No. 707, dated the 2nd instant.

2. The undersigned has the honor to observe that the Order of Government, dated 17th April last, No. 904, Revenue Department, quoted by the Board in support of their sanction to the temporary entertainment of certain additional establishment in the Stamp Office, sanctions the permanent addition to the Mint Paper Stamping Establishment only recommended by the Board of Revenue, and to state that the sanction accorded by the latter in their Proceedings, No. 3,434, dated 4th ultimo, must, therefore, be confirmed by Government before any charge on that account can be admitted by this Office.

3. It may at the same time be well to state that the additional charge, on account of the increased establishment of the Mint, has been admitted monthly by this department, from the 16th April last.

1. In his letter, dated 28th May 1867, No. 1,359, the Superintendent of Stamps having requested permission to entertain six additional men in his Office, at a monthly cost of Rupees 45, to work the Presses used for impressing the Bi-color Stamps sanctioned by Government in their Order, dated 17th May 1867, No. 1,117, and having explained that the Workers and Counters already at his disposal could not be spared, as the embossed Stamps were still used in the case of all values below 2 Rupees which form the great bulk of the indents, the Board sanctioned the increase as a temporary arrangement.

2. The Examiner of Claims, however, has taken exception to this sanction, and states in the Official Memorandum recorded above, that the increased charge will not be admitted, unless confirmed by Government.

3. The Board observe that the temporary charge was sanctioned by them under the order of Government introducing the Bi-color Stamps into the Madras Presidency, and because Government allowed an additional establishment to be entertained in the Mint Office on this very account.

4. A copy of the Board's Proceedings, dated 4th June 1867, No. 3,434, will be submitted to Government, and they will be requested to authorize the Examiner of Claims to admit the charge sanctioned by the Board in the above-mentioned Proceedings.

No. 199. ORDER THEREON, 9th August 1867, No. 1,850.

Separate Revenue, No. 11.
Stamps.

The Board's proceedings are confirmed.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
" the Accountant General.
" the Examiner of Claims.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 30th July 1867.

No. 4,893.

Requesting that Examiner of Claims may be authorized to admit the charge of Rupees 45 sanctioned in Boards Proceedings dated 4th June 1867, No. 3434 for employment of six additional men in Madras Stamp office on account of introduction of Bi-colored stamps, and submitting copy of those Proceedings.

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