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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
17th September 1868.

No. 231. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Public Works Department :—

Passing orders regarding the two Office rent bills submitted by Mr. Fraser, amounting together to Rupees 70 per mensem. } (Here enter 12th September 1868, No. 2,909.)

No. 232. ORDER THEREON, 17th September 1868, No. 2,404.

Local Funds, No. 11.
Establishment.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. SEWELL,
Acting Under Secretary to Government.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 239. Read the following letter from the Acting Controller of Public Works Accounts, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 28th August 1868, No. 2,201 :—

1. In their Proceedings of the 18th June 1863, No. 1,599, the Government sanctioned the entertainment by Mr. Kennedy, then Executive Engineer in charge of the East Coast Canal, of an Office Establishment estimated to cost Rupees 103 per mensem. A similar establishment was authorized to be employed by Mr. Fraser, who had been entrusted with the duty of investigating the Madras Water Supply and other projects in the neighbourhood of Madras.

2. On Mr. Kennedy's departure to Europe, Mr. Fraser was placed in executive charge of the East Coast Canal without prejudice to his other duties, and, under this arrangement, he has, up to the present time, retained his own establishment and that formerly attached to Mr. Kennedy, at an aggregate cost of Rupees 206 per mensem.

See G. O., No. 1,451, dated 30th May 1865.

3. The Government having recently ruled that the East Coast Canal shall hereafter be regarded as a Local Fund work, and all outlay connected therewith charged to the Toll Collections, the question arises as to whether the cost of one of the two Office Establishments now employed under Mr. Fraser's direction should not for the future be debited to the Canal Fund. At present, the outlay is charged to the Imperial grant, but as the establishment in question is employed exclusively on the accounts, &c., of a Local Fund work, it appears to me that its cost is properly debitable to *Canal* Funds.

4. While upon this subject, I have to represent that two separate bills are submitted monthly by Mr. Fraser on account of Office rent, one for Rupees 50, sanctioned in G. O., No. 2,488, dated 29th August 1864, for accommodation provided for his own special establishment and charged against the Imperial Budget; the other for Rupees 20, authorized in G. O., No. 2,022, dated 24th July 1863, to be drawn by Mr. Kennedy on account of accommodation for the East Coast Canal establishment. This latter sum is debited to Local Funds; but, seeing that Mr. Fraser's special charge and that of the East Coast Canal, formerly entrusted to Mr. Kennedy, are now held by *one* Officer, I request the orders of Government as to whether this Office is to continue to pass the *two* Office rent bills now submitted by Mr. Fraser, amounting together to Rupees 70 per mensem.

No. 240. ORDER THEREON, 12th September 1868, No. 2,909.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 25.

		Rs.
1 Writer and Accountant	... ...	35
1 Draughtsman	... ...	40
4 Lascars	... ...	28
	Total...	103

1. As it appears that Mr. Fraser has at present no Imperial works under his charge, the services of the Range Office allowed to him seems to be unnecessary, and that establishment, as per margin, will be dispensed with, and the Office rent of Rupees 50 per mensem drawn by Mr. Fraser for its accommodation will be discontinued.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
12th September 1868.

2. These Proceedings will be communicated to the Board of Revenue with a view to such provision being made from Local Funds for an Office Establishment to Mr. Fraser as may be necessary.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Controller of Public Works Accounts.
,, Board of Revenue.
,, Revenue Department.
,, Superintending Engineer, 4th Division.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Proceedings of the
Govt. & W. Office

Dated 12th Sept
Received 14th " 1868.

No. 2909.

Pro-of Govt Public Works
dated 11. March 1868 No 1784

No. 2604.

Passing Act &c
regulating the Bo
Office Rent-Bills
submitted by Mr
Pearce, amounting
together to Rs 70 per
Annum

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