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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue—DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 2761 Press Mis.

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Dated 9th October 1869.

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No. 123. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 20th September 1869, No. 6,991 :—

Read the following letter from the Officiating Conservator of Forests, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Camp at Ootacamund, 28th August 1869, No. 1,669.

ADVERTING to paragraph 2 of the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No. 5,114, dated 16th July 1869, I have the honour to subjoin the Rules adopted in our forests against Cheques being forged :—

1. Quarterly estimates of sums required for forest operations are submitted to the Accountant-General not exceeding the Budget grant unless extra grants are specially sanctioned in addition thereto ; and that authority issues letters of credit on the Treasury Officers to disburse the sums on Cheques within the amount, and any sums remaining undrawn after the expiration of the quarter lapse.

2. The Cheque book is always kept under lock and key by the officer authorized to hold it.

3. The Cheques are printed and numbered consecutively as they are issued; the body is filled in by the officer signing the same, also the counterfoil.

4. A list of Cheques is sent monthly to the Treasury Officer and the Central office, as a check against the Account Current which is submitted monthly to the Accountant-General, and who is also furnished with a copy of the list of Cheques embodied in the Account Current.

5. If the signature of the Deputy-Collector in charge of the Treasury in one corner of each leaf of the Forest Cheque book be allowed, as ruled in paragraph 7 of Government Order, No. 404, dated 25th February 1863, the Talook Treasury disbursing officers, who are usually familiar with such signature, will be enabled to detect persons presenting forged Cheques.

SUBMITTED to Government, with reference to paragraph 2 of their order, dated 21st June 1869, No. 1,762.

2. It will be observed that one of the chief precautions adopted in the Public Works Department against the forgery of Cheques, namely, the signature of the Treasury Deputy Collector on each leaf of the Cheque books, has still to be introduced in the Forest Department.

3. The Board accordingly recommend that the Cheque books of the Forest Department be kept in every respect like those of the Department Public Works.

No. 124. ORDER THEREON, 9th October 1869, No. 2,761.

Forests, No. 10.

THE proposals made in the Proceedings above recorded, *viz.*, that each leaf of the Cheque books of the Forest Department should bear the signature of the Treasury Deputy-Collector, and that these books should be kept in every respect like those of the Department of Public

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Works, are approved. The Officiating Conservator of Forests will, in communication with the Board of Revenue, adopt steps to give effect to this order.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Officiating Conservator of Forests.
,, the Accountant-General.

Ex.d. E. C. Shunker.

Revenue Department.

No. 2761.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 9th Octr. 1869

Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Submitting report of Conservator of Forests of precautions adopted in his Dept. against forgery of Cheques, with recommendation that Cheque books of Forest Dept. should be kept in every respect like those of the P. W. Dept.

R. 20th Sept. 1869, No. 6991.

The proposals made in the Bd's above recorded viz, that each leaf of the Cheque books of the Forest Department should bear the signature of the Treasurer Dep.y Collector, and that those books should be kept in every respect like those of the Dept of Public Works

are

REVENUE.

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

&c., &c., &c.

Dated October, 9th.

Read.

G. O., 9th October 1869, No. 2,761.

OCTOBER.

Nos. 123-124.

Cheque books of the Forest Department—Board's Proposals on the subject of their being kept in every respect like those of the Public Works Department, approved.

are approved. The Offg.
Conservator of Forests will,
in communication with
the Board of Revenue,
adopt steps to give effect
to this order.

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Sd/ H. Hall