

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
24th June 1870.*

No. 308. Read the following endorsement of the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George:—

Read the following letter from the Acting Deputy-Secretary to the Government of Bombay, Marine Department, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Bombay Castle, 1st June 1870, No. 337.

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 503, dated 11th April last, and, in reply, am directed to transmit the accompanying copy of a letter from the Superintendent of Marine, No. 261, dated 19th instant, and of a report by the Marine Store-keeper, in explanation of the cause of the delay in the adjustment of the bill for timber supplied from the Madras Presidency to the Bombay Dockyard in 1868-69.

2. I am, at the same time, directed to invite attention to the suggestion by Captain Robinson, that the Conservator of the Forests, Madras, be instructed to send such quantities of timber as he may be able to supply in January of each year (by which time the timber should arrive in Bombay), until all the demands on him are complied with, to enable the Marine Store-keeper to have measurements completed before the close of the official year.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From Captain G. T. ROBINSON, I.N., Superintendent of Marine, Bombay, to the Secretary to Government, Marine Department, dated Bombay, 19th May 1870, No. 261.

ADVERTING to Government Resolution in the Marine Department, No. 246, of the 25th ultimo, I have the honour, in transmitting the accompanying letter to my address from the Marine Store-keeper, No. 619, of the 10th instant, to state that on the arrival of timber it has to be landed, measured, and the measurements examined in verification of the Invoices of timber received, after which the information transmitted to the Accountant-General, in view to the adjustment of the value of the timber. Beyond the time thus occupied, no delay takes place in the Marine Department.

2. I would also suggest that Captain Gosling be requested to transmit such quantities of timber as he is able to supply early in January of each year, (by which time the timber should arrive in Bombay,) until all the demands on him are complied with: this will enable the Marine Store-keeper to have the measurements completed before the close of the official year.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

From the Acting Marine Store-keeper, to the Superintendent of Marine, dated Bombay Dockyard, 10th May 1870, No. 619.

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your endorsement, No. 980, dated 3rd instant, on a Government Resolution, Marine Department, No. 246, * dated 23rd ultimo (with accompaniments) forwarded to me for report.

* Herewith returned.

On perusing the Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, dated 11th April last, it appears Captain Gosling reports that the Marine Department did not comply with the repeated requests made by his department to make the necessary adjustment of the bill for timber supplied in 1868-69.

1,204 Teak planks
21 logs Junglewood
37 logs Blackwood

The quantity of timber supplied to this department by Captain Gosling in 1868-69 was as per margin, and was brought to Bombay by three different pattimars.

Cost. of 1870; *Estimates.*

REVENUE.

THE OFFICIATING CONSERVATOR
OF FORESTS.

to
cc., &c., &c.

Dated June, 24th.

Recd.

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G. O., 24th June 1870, No. 942.

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Nos. 308-309.

*Timber supplied to Bombay Dockyard.—
Papers regarding delay in the adjustment of the
bill, communicated to Conservator of Forests, with
orders about the despatch of timber in future.*

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
24th June 1870.*

The dates and quantity of timber each pattimar delivered to this department were as follow:—

302 Teak planks, delivered on the 2nd February 1869.
500 Teak planks,
37 logs Blackwood, } on the 20th March 1869.
24 do. Junglewood,
402 Teak planks, delivered on the 27th April 1869.

Thus it is apparent that owing to the full quantity charged by Captain Gosling in his bill under reference not having arrived in Bombay before the close of the official year 1868-69, it was utterly impossible for this department to adjust the same, and transmit it to the Accountant-General for liquidation.

It has to be ascertained by our Receiving Conductor that the measurement and quantities charged for are correct, before the bill for timber is submitted to the Accountant General; and with the large supplies to this Dockyard, and only one man being available for the work, who has already very heavy and onerous duties to perform, it is impossible to adjust every thing off-hand.

Captain Gosling should be directed to furnish such quantities of timber as he is able early in January of each year, (and by which time the timber should arrive in Bombay,) till all the demands upon him are complied with. It will thus enable this department to have the measurements completed before the close of the official year.

COMMUNICATED to the Revenue Department with a view to the necessary instructions being given to the Forest Department.

(Signed) R. S. ELLIS,
Chief Secretary.

No. 309.

ORDER THEREON, 24th June 1870, No. 942.

Forests, No. 17.

FORWARDED to the Officiating
Conservator of Forests for explanation.

2. The Marine Store-keeper at Bombay states that the timber in question did not reach him in time to permit of its value being adjusted in the accounts of 1868-69. A large portion of it appears not to have reached him till April 29th 1869.

3. The Government further direct Major Beddome's attention to the suggestion that the timber supplied to the Bombay Marine Department should be despatched so as to reach Bombay not later than January of each year.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. S. ELLIS,
Chief Secretary.

To the Officiating Conservator of Forests,
,, the Board of Revenue.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Rev^d Department

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Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 24th June 1870.

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letter from the Ag. Secy
Secy to Government Bombay

Forwarding copies of letters
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G.O. 1st June 1870 No. 337

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To the Officer in Charge of the
14- 1869

W. H. Ball