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Bellary Collector's Office
30th. May 1872.

No. 174.

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From,

The Acting Collector,
Bellary.

To,

The Secretary to the,
Board of Revenue
Madras.

Sir,

I regret to have occasion to bring to the notice of the Board the inferior description of sealing wax supplied to this Office by the Superintendent of Stationery on my last indent.

2. It has, like the last supply, become caked and comes out in one large mass, black and red mingled, the shape of the box in which it was packed.

3. To utilize it, I am obliged to have the whole supply remelted and made into sticks.

4. If the Board think it necessary

necessary I will send a sample for
their inspection. -

I have the
&c J. Hallaster
Actg. Collector

(True Copy)

H Ellsbury
Actg. Secretary

Enclosure in Proceedings
of the Board of Revenue
& the Acting Secretary
to Government N.W.P.
dated 5th September 1873
Nos No: 5,672--

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Copy of letter from
Collector of Bellary
bringing to notice
the inferior description
of sealing wax sup-
plied by Superinten-
dent of Stationery.

No. 384.

Objection Statement on the Land Revenue Contingent Bill of the South arcot District for November 1872.

No	Items	Amount objected	Remarks	Explanation of the Collector
	Land Revenue Bill. - Sadewarid Charges of the Collector's Kavgar 3/4 Visp of black sealing way at Rs 2-8- per Visp. -	1 14 -	Disallowed, as sealing way was obtainable from the stationery depôt and as no previous sanction was obtained for its purchase in the local market. -	The sealing way supplied from the stationery depôt being of very inferior quality, and not at all gummy, was unfit for sealing treasure boxes. It was therefore found necessary to purchase black sealing way in the local market for sealing the treasure boxes; while for all other purposes, the way supplied from the stationery Office is used. It is requested under these circumstances that the objection may be withdrawn & this charge as well as similar charge incurred in December 1872 and January 1873 and included in the contingent Bills for those months. & future previous sanction will be obtained. -

Revenue Board Office
Madras
21st March 1873

(By Order)
of P. Ekambara Sastriar
Ag. Sub Secretary

(True Copy)
P. Vardacharry
Deputy Collector

(True Copy)
H. Ettokes
Ag. Secretary

South arcot Collector's Office
Cuddalore
28th March 1873 - -

(Signed) J. Thomson
Ag. Collector
for A.S. Collector

(Signed) P. Ekambara Sastriar
Ag. Sub Secretary

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Enclosure in proceedings of the Board of Revenue
Dlie Acting Secretary
to Government R.D.
dated 5th September 1873
Nos Nos: 5672.

Copy of Reply to objection statement from Board of Revenue regarding purchase of sealing wax in local market of South Arcot &c--

Reply to objection Statement No 803 on the Miscellaneous contingent Bills of the Tanjore District for February 1873.-

No	Items	Amount objected to.	Remarks	Reply.
	Miscellaneous Bill.-			
1.	Charge for remittance of Treasure beyond district.-		Disallowed. Sealing wax being obtainable from the Stationery Dept and its purchase in the local market being prohibited.-	It has been usual to purchase in the local market sealing wax for sealing remittance boxes as the article supplied by the Stationery Office — easily melts and gives way at the slightest exposure to the sun.-
	2. Viss of Sealing wax at Rs 1—6—0 per Viss.- - - - -	2 12 0		

(True Copy)

Tanjore
28. June 1873
Spo Mr. Kappanna

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Ag. Secretary.-

[signed] P. Seshagiri Rau
Deputy Collector

Stationery Office
Fort Saint George
14th June 1873.

No. 252.

From,

The Superintendent of
Stationery,
Fort Saint George

To,

The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue,
Madras.

thro' the Inspector General of Offices

Sir,

With reference to the Copy of Revenue Board's Proceedings No. 3550 of 11th June 1873 & the address of the Secretary to Government Revenue Department, I have the honor to invite attention to Clause 3, Section VI of the Annual Report of this Office published in Government Proceedings Public Department of 26th June 1872, and & the order of Government thereon.

2. The Records in this Office show that several complaints were received for some time past regarding the inferior quality of the Sealing Wax supplied and notwithstanding that the article of same quality was supplied

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Enclosure in Proceedings of the Board of Revenue & the extract Secretary to Government F.R.D. dated 5th September 1873 No: No. 5572.

Copy of Report from the Collector of Salem to the Superintendent of Stationery dated 8th February 1873, regarding Sealing Wax supplied for Stationery use.

supplied to all public departments, yet every instance of complaint is from the Revenue Department only. There is no doubt that a better article can be got locally, if a higher price be paid, but in that case it will become necessary for a larger grant in Budget Estimates for this purpose. Perhaps it may not be considered expedient to charge Government for the more expensive article when the cheaper article will answer all public purposes equally as well.

3. Should it however be determined that way of a better quality be supplied from this Office, then all that will be necessary is for the Revenue Board to furnish this department with a sample of the approved article for the requirements of the Revenue Department to enable it to purchase the article by open contract agreeably to Government order. (a)

The letter from this Office No 168 of 24th June 1872 informed the Board of Revenue that it would be advantageous

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(a) Nos 1577 & 1295 of 28th November 1867 & 3rd November 1868 respectively.

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Govt for sealing wax of approved quality, to be obtained on the spot from any Government institution, the local jail, for instance, and where this can be done I would recommend such a measure being carried out. In all such cases I consider it expedient that the order of Government to obtain stationery articles from the stationery Office only should always be adhered to by public departments, for any deviation from established rules or exceptional ruling in one or more cases will establish a precedent to other parties to apply for a similar exceptional ruling, and thus re-open the door to those abuses which were brought to the notice of Government in the Report of the Commission for investigating public establishments.

I have &c
sd L. H. C. Thomas Lt Col
Ag. Supt of Stationery

No 1/75
Forwarded
sd Alex Stewart Col RA
Inspt Genl of Ordnance & Magazines
(True Copy)
H Elton
My Secretary

Ordnance Office
Fort St George
18th June 1873

E M Smyth
Lt & Kt Captain

Nellore Collector's Office
14th June 1873.

No. 1354.

From,

J. G. Horsfall Esqre.,
Ag. Collector of Nellore

To,

J. Grose Esqre.,
Secretary to the,
Board of Revenue,
Madras.

Sir,

I have the honor to submit specimens of Red and Black Sealing wax sticks supplied* from Madras for the current year, and to state that the wax is of a very inferior quality, and apparently contains a large quantity of dirt &c. I have tried it on the cash chests in my profession and found it scarcely capable of retaining any clear impression, owing to the process of melting continuing long after the impression is made.

2. As the seals on cash chests are

*Forwarded by Board's Proc. dated 2nd May 1873 No. 2743

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Enclosure in Proceedings of the Board of Revenue Dated 2nd May 1873 No. 2743
From the Acting Secretary to Government of Madras dated 5th April 1873 No. 1354
Rec'd 8th May 1873.

Copy of Letter from the Collector of Nellore dated 14th June 1873 No. 1354 forwarding specimens of Red and Black Sealing Wax supplied from Madras for the current year and stating that the wax is of a very inferior quality and apparently contains a large quantity of dirt &c. &c. &c.

are of great importance, I request that permission may be granted for my purchasing good sealing wax in the market at Nellore or Cuddapah.

I have &c.

sd/ J. G. Horsfall

&c. Collector

(True Copy)

H Elton

&c. Secretary

C Mungles

Supt Stamps

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MISCELLANEOUS No. 5672. REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 5th September 1873.

Read letter from the Collector of Bellary, dated 30th May 1872, No 174.

Do from the Superintendent of Stationery dated 11th May 1872, No 78-239 recorded in G.O. 26th June 1872, No 731 para 6.-

Do Explanation from the Collector of South-east to Board's Inspection Statement dated 28th March 1873.

Do Do from the Collector of Tanjore to ditto dated 28th June 1873.

Do letter from the Superintendent of Stationery dated 14th June 1873, No 252.

Do from the Collector of Nellore dated 14th June 1873, No 1354.

Do Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 11th June 1873, recorded in G.O. dated 27th June 1873, No 1164.-

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The Board observe that the sealing wax supplied by the Superintendent of Stationery has been condemned by many Collectors as useless for sealing cash chests and money bags.

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Enclosure in Proceedings of the Board of Revenue Dated 5th September 1873 No 5672.

Copy of Letter from the Collector of Nellore, No 1354, dated 14th June 1873, containing a sample of sealing wax supplied from the Stationery Depôt and requesting that a better description may be furnished.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith a sample of sealing wax supplied from the Stationery Depôt and to request that a better description may be furnished.

2. The wax is very brittle and will not take the impression of the seal.

I have &c.

(Sd) -

The Board sent for some of
this way from Nellore and
Bellary and on Examination
found that the Collectors reports
were not Exaggerated.

Under these circumstances
the Board resolve to recommend
that the Collectors be permitted
to purchase in the local market
good sealing wax which may
be absolutely necessary for
sealing cash chests and money
bags only. I

/True Extract/

H Elliott

Ag. Secretary

For
the Ag. Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
with copies of letters from Collectors
of Bellary dated 30th May 1872,
South Arcot 28th March 1873, Tanjore
28th June 1873, Superintendent of
Stationery 14th June 1873, & Nellore
14th June 1873.

Ag. Secretary

Revenue 1873 Dept

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

No. 2743.

Further
No 3824/73

Further No 9074/75

Dated 5th September 1873.
Despatched 8th " "
Received 8th " "
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Mis: No 5672.

Recommending that Collrs be permitted to purchase in local market, good sealing-wax for sealing cash chests & money bags.

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With Order

c. 12 Septr 73. 15 Sept

No. 88.

The Board's Proceedings in sanctioned as a special case. Recommendation of the Commissioner of Customs be forwarded for transmission to Govt of India.

15th Sept. 73

J. B. Pearse
Asst Secy.

I can fully endorse this complaint the stationary supplied is in my Table is quite unfit.

A.D.