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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
3rd August 1874.*

No. 20. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 11th July 1874, No. 1,771:—

Read again the following papers:—

Memorandum from the Officiating Deputy Accountant-General, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Fort Saint George, 16th December 1873, No. 8,094.

Vide Board's Proceedings, No. 8,533, dated 12th December 1873. The undersigned has the honor to request that you will be good enough to state the date and number of the order of Government empowering the Board to sanction batta in Civil cases similar to the one sanctioned in the Proceedings above referred to.

(Signed) W. DONALD,
Officiating Deputy Accountant-General.

Board's Official Memorandum, dated 26th May 1874, No. 662.

THERE is no express order of Government on the subject; but on the recommendation of the Government Solicitor, the Board ruled so long ago as 1865 that batta to public officers attending Courts as witnesses in Civil Suits on behalf of Government should be paid at the expense of the State, and similar charges have been hitherto admitted by the Accountant-General without question. A copy of the Board's Proceedings, dated 9th February 1865, No. 749, is herewith forwarded for the information of the Accountant-General.

(Signed) C. A. GALTON,
Acting Sub-Secretary.

Memorandum from the Deputy Accountant-General, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Fort Saint George, 29th May 1874, No. 1,657.

Vide your official memorandum No. 662, dated 26th May 1874. The undersigned has the honor to state that this office cannot trace any payments of the sort, and that the sanction of Government should be obtained for this class of charges.

(Signed) J. E. COOKE,
Deputy Accountant-General.

The foregoing letters will be submitted for the orders of Government.

2. In 1865, at the recommendation of the Government Solicitor, the Board ruled* that when public officers attend Courts as witnesses in Civil Suits on behalf of Government, batta should be paid to them, at the expense of the State, at the rates ordinarily allowed to them, and accordingly passed batta in several cases since.

* Board's Proceedings, dated 9th February 1865, No. 749.

Board's Proceedings, dated 10th February 1865, No. 760.
Miscellaneous Proceedings, dated 14th December 1871, No. 1,536.

3. In the present case, however, in which the Board sanctioned batta (Rupees 15) to the Taluk Sheristadar of Trinomalay for attending the District Court at Cuddalore as a witness on behalf of Government, the Accountant-General thinks that the sanction of Government is necessary. The Board request that sanction may be granted accordingly, and the Accountant-General authorized to admit similar charges in future when passed by the Board.

No. 21. Order thereon, 3rd August 1874, No. 970.

Miscellaneous

Sanctioned, and the Accountant-General authorized to pass similar charges in future as proposed.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue,
the Accountant-General.

By H. C. Shumbar.

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There were grave difficulties in the way of my getting any allowance for witnesses' fees or travelling expenses, even for those witnesses whose claims I have now recommended shall be paid by the Children of B'nai B'rith, and charged to the Government of the Institution. The Master of the Court of Government in this matter refused, and under the circumstances I did not advise it to be able to incur the delay and expense that would have been consequent upon an attempt to establish this claim as between party and party, which might and very probably would have

11. There were grave difficulties in the way of my getting any allowance for witness fees or travelling expenses, for the three witnesses whose claim I have now recommended shall be paid by the Collector of Amrit, and I see no Government on the Christian side. The absence of the costs of Government in the suit is a serious matter, and under such circumstances I did not consider it advisable to incur the delay and expense that would have been consequent upon an attempt to establish the claim as between party and party, which might and very probably would have

resulted in failure, the costs of Government were taxed, and allowed by the Master as between party and party, at the sum of Rupees 2,431-6-3. I regret to say that up to the present time I have not been able to realize any portion of this amount from the Plaintiff, Arachamanna Chaitoo, and I fear that recovery is almost hopeless, such being the case Government will not suffer any pecuniary loss by reason of suits and travelling expenses not having been allowed in the taxed costs.

2. I return the Statement submitted to your Board by the Collector of Salem, with his letter of 20th July 1864, No. 130, and forwarded to me with the Proceedings of your Board of the 10th of August last.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 1 & 2.—Memorandum and Statement.

1. Communicated to the Acting Collector of Salem, with reference to Mr. Arbuthnot's letter, dated 20th July 1864.

2. The Acting Collector will pay the balance as recommended by the Government Solicitor, and submit a bill for sanction.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

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

To C. N. Pochin, Esq., Acting Collector of Salem.

Copy to J. B. Boyson, Esq., Government Solicitor.

Edw. J. Wright.

No. 767.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 10th February 1865.

Read the following letter from H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Sub-Collector in charge of Salem, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Nangeripet, 17th January 1865, No. 9:—

With reference to Mr. Arbuthnot's letter to you, dated 29th July last, No. 136, I have the honor to forward a Memorandum of charges incurred by Seshagiri Row, late Sub-Magistrate of Denkeotta, and the present Acting Tahsildar of Kistnageri, in proceeding to Madras to give his evidence before the High Court in the Unkoosageri Poliput Suit, and to request you will instruct the Government Pleader to move the High Court for the recovery and payment of the amount, viz., Rupees 113-1-4. This amount through an oversight has not been included in the Statement submitted to the Board with the letter above referred to.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

ABSTRACT.—Memorandum of charges incurred by Seshagiri Row, late Sub-Magistrate of Denkeotta Division, for proceeding to Madras to give his evidence at the High Court in the Unkoosageri Poliput Suit.

The Sub-Collector in charge will deal with the claims of Seshagiri Row, as recommended in the other similar cases in the letter of the Government Solicitor, dated 28th January 1865, contained in the Board's Proceedings, No. 713, dated 9th February 1865.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

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

To C. N. Pochin, Esq., Acting Collector of Salem.

Edw. J. Wright.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

C No. 2425

From *Pro. B^d of Rev.* Dated *11th July* 1874.

FOR ORDERS.

I send per Mr. Sanderson

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated 10th February 1865.

No. 707.

Enacting that Schepert Row's claims for
 Rupees 1131-6, being charges incurred in pro-
 ceeding to Madras to give evidence at the High
 Court in the *Thamesmer* Cause, shall be
 paid with interest thereon at the rate of
 five per cent per annum, in the sum of
 Rupees 1500 No. 707.

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Willard L. Phillips

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Exotic—to Tiding Sherman of Ironsday
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 Exhibition District Court, a witness on behalf
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 recognition of his services, a reward
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