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No. 234. Read the following Endorsement of the Under-Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Revenue, Agriculture, and Commerce, No. 367 :—

Read the following letter from A. O. HUME, Esq., C.B., Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Revenue, Agriculture, and Commerce, (Statistics,) to the local Governments and Administrations, dated Simla, 8th July 1875, No. 9/358—366 :—

It has come to the notice of the Governor-General in Council that the Prices Current furnished to the Commissariat Department from bazaars by Native officials are in many cases inaccurate and untrustworthy; and as that department is at times obliged to accept the rates given therein as absolute guides in checking charges, and they are also the guide for the local audit officers, they are not only useless but become injurious to the interests of Government.

2. These Prices Current are, of course, quite distinct from those published by the local Government in the *Gazettes*, for the correct preparation of which instructions were issued in Circular No. 6/146—155, dated 20th March 1872, and it is obvious that, with the agency employed in their preparation, it cannot but be difficult to secure accuracy; but looking to the purposes which they are intended to serve, the Governor-General in Council considers that every effort should be made to render them as trustworthy as possible, and I am to request that you will be good enough to take such measures as may seem desirable to effect this. As a step in this direction, I am to suggest that all such Prices Current should be signed in full by the Native officials who are responsible for their correct preparation, and that it should be impressed upon such officers that Government will hold them responsible for any errors that may be subsequently detected in them.

COPY forwarded to the Government of Madras for information in continuation of Circular No. 6/146—155, dated 20th March 1872, and for such action as may appear necessary.

(Signed) C. J. LYALL,
Under-Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 235. ORDER THEREON, 22nd July 1875, No. 1,101.

Miscellaneous.

COMMUNICATED to the Board of Revenue in continuation of G. O., 26th March 1872, No. 525, who will issue the necessary instructions.

(True Extract.)
(Signed) A. MACGREGOR,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Erd. F. R. Bantleman.

FROM

A. O. HUME, Esq., C.B.,
Secretary to the Government of India,

TO

Local Governments and Administrations.

Department of Revenue,
Agriculture and Commerce.

Statistics.

SIMLA, the 8 July 1875.

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I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

A. O. HUME,
Secretary to the Government of India.

No. 367

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Chas. J. F. Lull

Under-Secretary to the Government of India.

Exd.—F. J. B.

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Board Prices Current.—Communicating to the Board of Revenue endorsement of the Government of India forwarding for information and for such action as may seem necessary letter regarding the adoption of measures for securing the correct preparation of —

JULY.
Nos 234-235.

G.O. 22nd July 1875, No. 1,101.

THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

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DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE,
AGRICULTURE AND COMMERCE.

STATISTICS.

To

No. ⁹ 367

Dated Simla, 8th July 1875.

Recd 20th Aug

SUBJECT.

Correct preparation of Bazar Prices Current.

No 1101 22 July 1875

W. K. Gordon

Communicated to the
Board of Revenue in continuation
of G. O. No. 102, dated 1972, No. 5225, with
note of the necessary instructions.

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