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Revenue DEPARTMENT

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 31st August 1874.

Read again Board's Proceedings, dated 25th June 1874, No. 1,581.

Read also the following letter from Major W. S. HUNT, Officiating Examiner of Ordnance Accounts, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Fort St. George, 28th July 1874, No. 1,289:—

With reference to the Proceedings* of the Revenue Board I have the honor to forward, herewith, a list of the articles which are generally purchased locally

for the use of the Ordnance Department at Madras and in the Mofussil, and to state, for the information of the Board, that the statements of prices of those stores called for from Collectors are desirable once in two months commencing on the 1st September next.

2. Should this be inconvenient the statements may be furnished quarterly.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

ORDNANCE DEPARTMENT

MADRAS PRESIDENCY.

Collector's Price List showing the Rates at which the under-mentioned Articles were sold at

Station
in the Month of 187

Articles.	Number or Quantity on which the Rates are computed.	Prices.					
		Wholesale.			Retail.		
		RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
Acid, muriatic...	lbs.						
Do. nitric ...	"						
Do. sulphuric ...	"						
Alum ...	"						
Antimony, pure ...	"						
Do. sulphuret ...	"						
Arsenic, white...	"						
Bags, gunny, double-packing, charcoal, etc.	Each						
Do. do. single do.	"						
Bamboos for poles, door, Madras, European tent.	"						
Do. do. standing tent, Madras, Euro-	"						
Do. do. ridge do. do.	"						
Do. for walls do. do.	"						
Do. for poles, door do. Native	"						
Do. do. standing do. do.	"						
Do. do. ridge do. do.	"						
Do. 16 feet long ...	"						
Do. for steps, 2½ feet ...	100						
Do. large for peccotab	Each						
Do. for targets, 15 feet long ...	"						
Do. carrying ...	"						
Do. 2nd size, 30 feet long, 3 to 2½ inches at bottom	"						

Articles.	Number or Quantity on which the Rates are computed.	PRICES.					
		Wholesale.			Retail.		
		RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
Bamboos, small, 12 feet long, 1½ to 1¾ inches at bottom	Each.						
Do. male, 11 feet long, 1½ inches at bottom, for flags, M. L.	"						
Do. male, for lances, service	"						
Baskets, bamboo, large	"						
Do. do. small	"						
Do. cane or rattan, large	"						
Do. do. do. medium	"						
Do. do. do. small	"						
Do. wicker	"						
Beams, palmyrah	"						
Bellows, forge, country, large	"						
Do. thimble's, double, blast	"						
Benzoin or resin, country	lbs.						
Bones, cattle-fish	"						
Borax	"						
Bottles, glass, Winchester's, 2 quarts	Each.						
Do. do. do. 1 quart	Dozen.						
Bricks, wall	1,000						
Bristles, hog	lbs.						
Brooms	Each.						
Do. rattan with bamboo handles	"						
Brushes, coconut	"						
Do. paint, No. 1	"						
Do. do. 2	"						
Do. do. 3	"						
Do. hair, hand, country	"						
Do. for charcoal rollers	"						
Cakes, cow-dung	Cwt.						
Campher, refined	lbs.						
Candles, wax	"						
Cat-rut, country	Yards.						
Chalk, white, common	Cwt.						
Clay pipe	lbs.						
Cloth, calico, fine or long	Yards.						
Do. do. kurvan	"						
Do. do. doosoolie, blue	"						
Do. do. do. white	"						
Do. do. Annamora, Bombay, double, nablasch	"						
Cloth, varied, new	"						
Do. yellow, tape	"						
Charcoal, Indian, common	Cwt.						
Do. do. pulverized	"						
Do. do. refined	"						
Do. do. root	"						
Cow...	"						
Copperas, green	lbs.						
Do. white	"						
Cordage, coir, 3½ to 3 inches, Madras	Cwt.						
Do. do. 2½ to 2 inches	"						
Do. do. 3½ to 3 inches	"						
Do. do. 3 to 2½ inches	"						
Do. do. 2½ to 2 inches	"						

Articles.	Number or Quantity on which the Rates are computed.	PRICES.					
		Wholesale.			Retail.		
		RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
Cordage, jute, 2 inches	Cwt.						
Do. do. 1 inch	"						
Corda, drum, bass	Each.						
Do. do. side, brass, C. P.	"						
Do. do. do. O. P.	"						
Corks for bottles of sizes	100						
Cotton, raw	lbs.						
County, Madras	"						
Dammer	Cwt.						
Dung, cow	"						
Emery powder, country, Madras	lbs.						
Flax, plantain	"						
Flour	"						
Foils, fencing, blades for	Each.						
Gall-nuts or hulda	lbs.						
Glass, green, broken	"						
Glue, country	"						
Grease or tallow	"						
Gum, Arabic, best	"						
Do. do. common	"						
Do. copaul	"						
Do. mastic, Madras	"						
Gunny, single, new	Yards.						
Do. do. old, package	"						
Do. double	"						
Hair, ox or plasterer's	lbs.						
Helves for mamooties	Each.						
Do. axes, sick, 9 lbs.	"						
Do. do. do. 6½ "	"						
Do. do. do. 5 "	"						
Heads, vellum, for drum, bass	"						
Do. do. do. side, brass, C. P. and O. P.	"						
Hemp, country, or jute	Cwt.						
Hides, buffalo, country, undressed	lbs.						
Do. do. raw	"						
Do. do. tanned	"						
Do. do. do. and curried	"						
Do. do. green	"						
Do. calf	Each.						
Do. cow, country, undressed	lbs.						
Do. do. tanned	"						
Do. do. do. and curried	"						
Hoops, drum cord, bass	Each.						
Do. do. do. side, brass, C. P.	"						
Do. do. do. do. O. P.	"						
Do. do. do. flesh, bass	"						
Do. do. do. do. side, brass, C. P.	"						
Do. do. do. do. do. O. P.	"						
Husks, paddy, Bombay	Bushel.						
Lac, seed	lbs.						
Lime, chalk, best	Bushel.						
Do. slacked	"						
Do. unslacked	"						
Lime, cotton, tant, of colors	Cwt.						
Do. log, Indian	Skn.						

Articles.	Number or Quantity on which the Rates are computed.	PRICES.					
		Wholesale.			Retail.		
		RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
Timber, Oorooroo, Madras	C. ft.						
Turpentine, spirits of, (13 gallons = 1 cwt.)	lbs.						
Turmeric	"						
Twine, country, No. 1	"						
Do. do. 2	"						
Do. do. 3	"						
Do. do. coarse, packing	"						
Do. do. coir	"						
Varnish, black, Brunswick	Gallons.						
Do. do. Imperial, for iron-work	"						
Do. do. ship	"						
Do. carriage	"						
Do. copal, 2s. and 2s.	"						
Do. Japan, black	"						
Do. do. gold, size No. 2	"						
Vatrol, blue	lbs.						
Wax, bees	"						
Do. do. refined	"						
Do. black	"						
Do. sealing	"						
Wine, spirits of, 60 O. P.	Gallons.						
Wool, sheep	lbs.						
Do. do. cuttings	"						

Note.—In order to admit of a comparison between the rates at different stations the rates should be invariably stated in the denominations given above, where necessary, being converted into these in the manner indicated in the margin.

For Officiating Examiner of Ordnance Accounts.

Printed copies of the list received with the foregoing letter will be forwarded to all Collectors with a request that they will enter in them the prices prevailing at their head-quarters on the first day of each quarter of the Calendar year and forward them direct to the Examiner of Ordnance Accounts as soon after the commencement of the quarter as possible.

(True Copies and Extract.)

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

(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. T. MAYNE,
First Assistant.

To all Collectors, with Board's Proceedings.

dated 25th June 1874, No. 1581.

the Examiner of Ordnance Accounts.

Edw. A. Gibbons

No. 2,479.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 3rd September 1875.

Read the following letter from T. VENKASAMI, Acting Deputy Collector, Tanjore, in charge of the Treasury, to H. S. THOMAS, Esq., Collector of Tanjore, dated 31st July 1875, No. 917:—

I HAVE the honor to submit the following matter for your orders.

2. The Board of Revenue in their Proceedings, dated 31st August 1874, No. 2,457, circulated a printed form of price list, which the Examiner of Ordnance Accounts wished to be filled up by district authorities, and directed that it be filled up quarterly with the prices prevailing at district head-quarters on the first day of each quarter, and forwarded direct to the officer last mentioned.

3. The Board's Proceedings were communicated to this office with your predecessor's foot-note, dated 24th September last, for the instructions therein contained being carried out. The form of price list which was in English was then translated in this office and sent to the Tahsildar of Tanjore, and the prices returned by him, i.e., those which prevailed on 1st January last, were entered in a manuscript English copy, and submitted to the Examiner of Ordnance Accounts. This was the first quarterly price list sent, and none has been sent since.

4. On the 3rd February 1875, the Examiner of Ordnance Accounts wrote* to you, pointing out that the rates entered in the price list were in some

cases unprecedently high, and in others low, and requested that the list might be altered if necessary. This letter was referred to this office for disposal by your endorsement, dated 8th idem, and after inquiry of the Tahsildar, it was replied to from this office to the effect that the list required no alteration.

5. Then followed the Examiner of Ordnance's letter, dated 15th June, in which he observed that some of the articles were not obtainable anywhere in the Presidency at the rates specified, and again requested inquiries to be made. This letter was sent to me for disposal with your docket, dated 22nd idem.

6. On a perusal of the correspondence connected with this subject as well as the price list, it at once struck me that the apparent inadequacy of the prices arose from the names of the articles not having been correctly understood, and I therefore, on the 30th idem, wrote to the Examiner of Ordnance Accounts, that if he would be so good as to cause a Tamil translation of the list to be furnished, it would be filled up as accurately as possible.

7. The letter of the said officer, dated 7th instant, and endorsed by you for my information on the 16th, is his reply, and in this he says that application for a Tamil translation of the list should be made to Government through the Board of Revenue.

8. I do not see how, as the matter stands, the adoption of this course can be avoided. A reference to the list will satisfy you, that it is not possible to have the various medicinal and other technical names it contains correctly translated by the ordinary district establishment, much less by the present Translator of this Collectorate, and the compilation of an accurate price list without a

Board of Revenue,

MADRAS.

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PROCEEDINGS, 31st AUGUST 1874, No. 2,457.

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AUGUST

No. 2,457.

Ordnance Stores.—Printed copies of list of — received from Examiner of Ordnance Accounts forwarded to all Subdivisions with request to enter in them prices of stores prevailing at their head-quarters on first day of each quarter of Calendar Year and forward same filled in Examiner of Ordnance Accounts as soon after commencement of quarter as possible.

9. The whole of the correspondence which has taken place on this subject is herewith submitted.

Submitted to the Board of Revenue for orders.

VALLAM, (Signed) H. S. THOMAS,
18th August 1875. Collector.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

To the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with copy of Board's Proceedings, dated 31st August 1874, No. 2,457.

Engl. W. B. French.

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Board of Revenue,
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Price Paid of services purchased locally for the use of the Ordnance Department. Garages, must be permitted to direct both Field, Telford, and Ordnance Inspectors to various transactions of credit. —

With Gratitude