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No. 316. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 4th May 1875, No. 1,147 :—

Read the following letter from R. W. BARLOW, Esq., Collector of the Chingleput District, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Saidapet, 9th April 1875, No. 166 :—

In forwarding the enclosed copy of a letter from the Treasury Deputy-Collector, dated 1st instant, No. 187, and adverting to paragraph 2 of the Board's Proceedings of the 6th of October last, published with the Proceedings of Government, Revenue Department, dated 19th idem, No. 1,345, I have the honor to request sanction for the continuation of the temporary establishment, for sorting records for a further period of thirty months, from the expiry of the present sanction, and also for the entertainment of an attender on Rupees 8 per mensem, as recommended at paragraph 7, and in doing so beg to express my regret that the amount of work to be done should have been so much under-estimated in the first instance. On this point, however, I beg to refer to the concluding part of paragraph 4 of Mr. Smith's letter.

Enclosure No. 1.—Copy of Deputy-Collector's letter.

In their Order of the 10th May 1872, No. 753, the Government sanctioned the employment of the temporary establishment marginally noted for reducing to order the Vernacular records in the Collector's Office.

2 Gumastahs on Rupees 15 each.
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Sanction was renewed for a further period of eighteen months by G. O., dated 26th June 1874, No. 788.

2. The Collector now states that the amount of work to be done was very much under-estimated in the first instance, and applies for a continuance of the sanction for a further period of two years and a half from the expiration of the present sanction, *viz.*, 30th November 1875, and for the addition of an attender on Rupees 8 to enable the Gumastahs to devote their whole time to their legitimate duties.

3. From the statement of work completed and still remaining it would appear that the continuance of the establishment for the period specified is necessary, and the Board accordingly support the Collector's application.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

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

No. 317. Order thereon, 27th May 1875, No. 828.

Miscellaneous.

The Government must decline to sanction the further employment of this extra establishment until furnished with a full explanation of the system that is being pursued.

2. They notice that the Collector originally asked for the establishment for the purpose of *sorting* and *arranging* paper records, whereas copying is the only work now being done, and that is not confined to cadjan records as originally proposed.

3. They question, moreover, the utility of copying Barnard's Tarapadi accounts, as they believe that all the information contained in them that is of any value is already on record in English in the Board's Office.

4. The Acting Collector should be directed to look into the matter and report on it at an early date.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Officiating Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue.
„ the Accountant-General.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

Govt. of Madras.

REVENUE.

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

&c., &c., &c.

Dated May, 27th.

Read.

G. O., 27th May 1875, No. 828.

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Nos. 316-317.

Temporary Establishment for sorting the Vernacular records in the Chingleput Collector's Office.—Declining to sanction the further employment of the — until furnished with a full explanation of the system that is being pursued, and suggesting that the Acting Collector should be directed to report at an early date the utility of copying Barnard's Tarapadi accounts.

No. 1,147.

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3. From the statement of work completed and still remaining it would appear that the continuance of the establishment for the period specified is necessary, and the Board accordingly support the Collector's application.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

Acting Sub-Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with enclosure to be returned.

Copy to the Collector of Chingleput.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

Memo for order.

The Board of Revt. sup-
-port the Collector's proposal
to retain for 2½ years more
the temporary establishment
sanctioned in May 1872
for arranging the vernac-
ular records of his Cutcherry
with an attender
on 8 Rs. to be newly entei-
tained. Sanction was ori-
ginally granted for it
retention for 18 months
only. In June 1874 ex-
tension for another 18 months
was applied for & sanctioned.
& the Collector explains that
it was impossible when
he first applied for the
establishment to form a
correct estimate of
the actual amount of
work to be done.

Before according fur-
-ther sanction the Board

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Rec: 12th Dec 1875
No 1753
No 54
1875.

BOARD OF REVENUE
MADRAS.

PROCEEDINGS, 4TH MAY 1875, No. 1,147.

Copy of Memo

Esq.
Collr.
Cdd.

Dated 28th April 1875.
Received 14th May.

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No. 1,147.

Establishment, Temporary—sanctioned for
erting the Vernacular records in the Chingle
put Collector's Office, — Application for the
continuance of — for a further period of two
years and a half from the expiration of the
present sanction, viz., 30th November 1875,
and for the addition of an attender on Rupees
8 per mensem to the establishment, supported
and submitted to Government.

G.O. No. 1753, 24th Dec. 1875.
to Chingleput
19 Oct. 1876 — 242-43
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to consider whether the work as far as it has gone has made satisfactory progress. The statement given in p. 3 of the Deputy Collector's letter shews that the average no of pages copied by one man in one day was unduly low, viz about 7—

Bernadi Tarapatti &c	7
Boundary measurement	6
Rowdy years Enml.	6½
Varachattam &c.	7

The Deputy Collector proposes to get nearly twice as much work done in future, & says that 15 pages a day have been turned out by each man since the work was placed under his supervision. The reports of Messrs. Jamma-bundy Chetty, there is an obvious blunder in the Deputy Collector's statement. It is noted therein that the 2 principal copyists 279.304 wrote in 15 months, or in other words that each man copied an average of 3 pages a day. This is incredible. It is likely that many of the figures were dictated accounts

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a record in English in witness in the H.C. Office in Fullerton's time. Dated 1st Sept 1 Then Ram Dass &c. I think it is quite possible that Ratnasinga the boy of copying in mind one of the Secretary. Moreover it seems very questionable that Mr Smith is able

Confirmed 1st Sept 1884 Kind Work. Enquiry from Chief Secretary Govt. I.S.C. say Govt. desirable in completion 3rd now can check the amt of work done. Whether it was duly amount. or Rather it has work that one [illegible] Govt. can undertake. I believe Govt. Register is capable of judging Thurkam Experience. Fortune by Col. S.C. to Govt. & Govt. with the Govt

16.5.85

I quite agree with Mr. Rudderton that we should obtain an explanation of the system pursued in this copying of records—

I can endorse from personal knowledge all that Mr. Rudderton says of Mr Smith—

Perhaps the best plan would be to ask Mr Melville to look into the matter and tell him that if no[illegible] company some competent native applicant will be given to him. On receiving his report the extent of future operations can be determined

A.E.

11-5-85

for retention on the record were erroneously included in col 2 of the Deputy Collector's statement.

It is submitted that a system of payment by results if carried out under proper supervision will in all probability lead to more satisfactory results & speedy execution of this work.

It should be noted that the present proposal of the Collector does not make any provision for copying the "Inams of Tanjore accounts" and p 3 of the Deputy Collector's letter.

Agree MS
19/5

Temporary Establt for arranging Records in the Chingleput Collectors Cutcherry

Revenue Department. 2/6

No. 828

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 27th May 1875.

READ the following Rec of the Board of Revenue.

Subj: application for the continuance of the temporary Estabt sanctioned for sorting the Vernacular Records in the Chingleput Collr's Office for a further period of two years & a half.

} H. E. 4th May 1875. No 1147 /

The Govt. must decline to sanction the further employment of this extra Estabt until furnished with a full explanation of the system that is being pursued.

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paper

Rec 15 May/75. Rd 20 May/75.

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Secretariat Office

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1 " Accountant General

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Reading to ascertain
the Continuance of the
temporary Estate for the
Chancellor Lotus &c.