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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
15th January 1876.*

No. 132. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 9th December 1875, No. 3,320:—

Read the following letter from W. R. ROBERTSON, Esq., M.R.A.C., Superintendent of Government Farms, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary of Revenue, dated Sydapet, 19th November 1875, No. 600.

In forwarding the accompanying letter conveying all the information that Mr. Benson can afford regarding the subject of paragraph 1 of Board's Miscellaneous Proceedings, No. 10,175, of the 11th instant, I have the honor to observe that, in my opinion, it is really necessary that Mr. Benson should employ a horse or pony to admit of him performing his out-of-door duty in a satisfactory way. I would again bring before the Board Mr. Benson's claims to a monthly grant as a horse allowance. Not only is Mr. Benson expected to go over both of the Farms twice daily, which on some days will represent a journey of eight or nine miles, but, in going his morning and evening rounds, a great deal of time is necessarily absorbed in laying out work, inspecting work, &c., which is chiefly done on foot. If, instead of employing a pony at his own expense, he went his morning round on foot, he could not finish his out-of-door duty until after 10 A.M., which would be much too late in the day for him to be out, and it should be remembered that the time saved in performing his out-of-door duties expeditiously is so much direct gain to Government, as more time is rendered available for in-door and office duties.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From C. BENSON, Esq., M.R.A.C., Assistant Superintendent, to W. R. ROBERTSON, Esq., M.R.A.C., Superintendent of Government Farms, dated Sydapet, 19th November 1875.

WITH reference to your endorsement on Proceedings of Board of Revenue, No. 10,175, Miscellaneous, dated 11th November 1875, I have the honor to state that I am unable to specify definitely what extra expenses I was obliged to incur by my not being provided with a residence on the Farm, but that it caused me a great increase of labor and inconvenience the following will show:—

My former house being more than a mile distant from the Farm and my having to travel backwards and forwards twice a-day necessitated my using a pony and carriage, which I had purchased for private use, almost exclusively in taking me to and fro; afterwards, when the weather became hotter and my work was increased, I purchased a canoe to enable me to have the pony to carry me over part of the farm and also for private work; of the latter it has done very little, as I often have to travel four to five miles twice a-day over the two Farms.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) W. R. ROBERTSON, M.R.A.C.,
Superintendent of Government Farms.

SUBMITTED to Government with reference to G.O., dated 28th October 1875, No. 1,533.

2. The Board recommend that horse allowance at the rate of Rupees 30 per mensem be sanctioned for the period during which Mr. Benson was obliged to live at a distance from the Farm, but they consider that there is no necessity to continue the allowance after the date on which he occupied the bungalow provided for him on the Farm premises. The Board have already in their

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
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Proceedings, dated 12th May 1875, Miscellaneous No. 4,159, declined to recommend the grant of horse allowance as a permanency.

(True Copies and Extract.)

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

No. 133.

ORDER THEREON, 15th January 1876, No. 65.

Miscellaneous.

THE Board's recommendation is
approved and sanctioned.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESON,
Chief Secretary.

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

Exd. J. W. Fischer.

Mr. Benson, Assistant Superintendent of Government Farms, Sydapet.—Approving and sanctioning the recommendation of the Board of Revenue to grant — horse allowance at the rate of Rs. 30 per mensem for the period he was obliged to live at a distance from the Farm.

JANUARY.
No. 132-133.

G. O., 15th January 1876, No. 65.

Dated January, 15th
Recd. Encl.

To
THE BOARD OF REVENUE,
&c., &c., &c.

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REVENUE.

No. 3,320.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 9th December 1875.

Read the following letter from W. R. ROBERTSON, Esq., M.R.A.C., Superintendent of Government Farms, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Sydapet, 19th November 1875, No. 600:—

In forwarding the accompanying letter conveying all the information that Mr. Benson can afford regarding the subject of paragraph 1 of Board's Miscellaneous Proceedings, No. 10,175, of the 11th instant, I have the honor to observe that, in my opinion, it is really necessary that Mr. Benson should employ a horse or pony to admit of him performing his out-of-door duty in a satisfactory way. I would again bring before the Board Mr. Benson's claims to a monthly grant as a horse allowance. Not only is Mr. Benson expected to go over both of the Farms twice daily, which, on some days will represent a journey of eight or nine miles, but, in going his morning and evening rounds, a great deal of time is necessarily absorbed in laying out work, inspecting work, &c., which is chiefly done on foot. If, instead of employing a pony at his own expense, he went his morning round on foot, he could not finish his out-of-door duty until after 10 A.M., which would be much too late in the day for him to be out, and it should be remembered that the time saved in performing his out-of-door duties expeditiously is so much direct gain to Government, as more time is rendered available for in-door and office duties.

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From C. BENSON, Esq., M.R.A.C., Assistant Superintendent, to W. R. ROBERTSON, Esq., M.R.A.C., Superintendent of Government Farms, dated Sydapet, 19th November 1875.

With reference to your endorsement on Proceedings of Board of Revenue, No. 10,175, Miscellaneous, dated 11th November 1875, I have the honor to state that I am unable to specify definitely what extra expenses I was obliged to incur by my not being provided with a residence on the farm, but that it caused me a great increase of labor and inconvenience the following will show:—

My former house being more than a mile distant from the Farm and my having to travel backwards and forwards twice a-day necessitated my using a pony and carriage, which I had purchased for private use, almost exclusively in taking me to and fro; afterwards, when the weather became hotter and my work was increased, I purchased a canoe to enable me to have the pony to carry me over part of the farm and also for private work; of the latter it has done very little, as I often have to travel four to five miles twice a-day over the two Farms.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) W. R. ROBERTSON, M.R.A.C.
Superintendent of Government Farms.

SUBMITTED to Government with reference to G.O., dated 28th October 1875, No. 1,533.

2. The Board recommend that horse allowance at the rate of Rupees 30 per mensem be sanctioned for the period during which Mr. Benson was obliged to live at a distance from the Farm, but they consider that there is no necessity to continue the allowance after the date on which he occupied the bungalow

... new to enable him

provided for him on the Farm premises. The Board have already in their Proceedings, dated 12th May 1875, Miscellaneous No. 4,159, declined to recommend the grant of horse allowance as a permanency.

(True Copies and Extract.)

Acting Sub-Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with copy of Board's Proceedings, dated 12th May 1875, Mis. No. 4,159.
Copy to the Superintendent of Government Farms.

Exd. J. W. Fischer.

Miscellaneous No 4159.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
Dated 12th May 1875

No 186

From

H. R. Robertson Esqrs M.R.S.B.
Superintendent Government
Farms

To
H. E. Stokes Esqrs
Acting Secretary
Board of Revenue
Madras

Sir,
I have the honor to request that the Board will be good enough to sanction the grant of a monthly horse allowance of Rupees (30) thirty to Mr Charles Benson, Assistant Superintendent Government Farms as a horse is now needed by him to enable him

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DECEMBER.

No. 3,320.

Benson, Mr.—Assistant Superintendent of Government Farms at Sydpet.—Recommending that horse allowance at the rate of Rs. 30 per mensem be sanctioned to — for the period he was obliged to live at a distance from the Farm, and observing that there is no necessity to continue the allowance after the date on which he occupied certain bungalow on the Farm premises.

The Board's Recommendation is approved & sanctioned

15th January 1876

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him to discharge his duties in an efficient manner.

Mr Benson has at his own cost provided himself with a horse and conveyance since he came to Sydapet, the services of which have been chiefly employed by him when on duty. His out-of-door duties will be considerably increased, on the transfer of Mr Schiffmayer to Coimbatore, and still further if, as has been proposed, the area of the Estate, should be increased to 500 acres by the addition to it of 200 acres of land situated
on.

on the Southern side of the River Adyar. I have &c
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6th April 1875 }
Majr W. R. Robertson

The Board do not consider that there is any necessity for Mr Benson to ride about the small area at present occupied by the Farms, should it eventually be enlarged by the addition of land south of the Adyar the question of granting horse allowances can be brought forward for consideration.

2. The Board have already approved the erection of a Bungalow for the Assistant Superintendent on the Farms and have authorized Mr Robertson to collect materials

in anticipation of the sanction
of Government to the
charge. As soon as sanction
is accorded the work should
be pushed on.

/True Copy & Extract/

/Sig^r/ C. A. Galloway
As Secretary

To The Superintendent
Government Farms

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W. H. C. C. C.
As Secretary

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