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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
28th March 1877.*

Famine Relief.

No. 891. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 20th March 1877, No. 1264:—

Read the following letter from J. F. PRICE, Esq., Acting Collector of Cuddapah, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Kodur, 12th March 1877, Extra No. 265:—

I HAVE the honor to enclose a copy of a letter* received to-day from Mr. Cox, Deputy Collector in charge of Budwail, No. 126-63, dated 6th March 1877, and to request that the Board will be pleased to move Government to permit a relaxation of the rules as regards task-work in the case of deepening wells, where the work requires the assistance of professional well-diggers.

2. I am most anxious to carry out the orders issued by the Board and Government in their integrity, but it appears to me that if I do this to the letter, difficulties, for which I shall be mainly held responsible, will arise. I have therefore considered it advisable, under the circumstances detailed by Mr. Cox, to authorize him to go on, on contract, with the work to which he alludes, and trust that the step taken by me will meet with approval.

3. The people must have water, and it is evident that such work as excavating and blasting rock is one which cannot be either cheaply, effectively, or speedily carried out by famine coolies, and that it should therefore be handed over to professionals, who will agree to do it upon contract alone.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From J. H. M. COX, Esq., Special Deputy Collector, in charge of Budwail Taluq, to J. F. PRICE, Esq., Acting Collector of Cuddapah, dated Budwail, 6th March 1877, No. 126-63.

ADVERTING to your letter of the 28th ultimo, No. 88, and G.O. of the 5th ultimo, No. 520-A, I have the honor to suggest whether an exception might not at least be made in the case of the deepening, &c., of wells, as such works have invariably to be carried out by professional tank-diggers, and in some cases blasting of rock has to be resorted to. This work is evidently of the same nature as that referred to in paragraph 4 of Board's Proceedings of the 21st ultimo, where it was proposed that an exception should be made in the case of the professional well-sinkers in the Coimbatore District.

2. I have just now in hand several cases of this kind which have been lying over for some little time past on account of the large sums which were asked to carry them out, but for which contractors have now come forward at reasonable rates, and I am anxious to get them finished without delay. I therefore trust that you will be able to authorize my proceeding with them at once, as all of them are more or less emergent cases, the villagers being hard up for water.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Acting Collector.

SUBMITTED for the orders of Government.

2. The Collector is authorized, in anticipation of the sanction of Government, to hold the rules in abeyance where the want of water is felt and it is found necessary to employ professional workmen in deepening wells.

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28th March 1877.*

3. An exception has been allowed in the case of such works in the Coimbatore District, and the Board suggest that it be made general by distinct order.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Secretary.

No. 892.

ORDER THEREON, 28th March 1877, No. 1262.

Miscellaneous.

The deepening of wells being work generally requiring a particular class of workmen, and only admitting of a few of them being engaged at once, the Governor in Council is pleased to exempt such work from the rules requiring relief works to be executed by task-work.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. H. GARSTIN,
Additional Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
„ the Public Works Department.
„ the Financial Department.

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Revenue Department
 Proceedings of the Board of
 Revenue
 Dated 20th March 1877 No. 126

12th G.R. N:2757 Read the following N:265

From J. F. Price Esquire
 Acting Collector of Cuddipah
 To H. E. Stokes Esquire
 Secretary to the Board
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No 126
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 6th March 1877

Cost. of (1877) Madras.
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To THE BOARD OF REVENUE,
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Dated No. 1, 1877.
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G.O. 28th March 1877, No. 1262.

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TAMMIL NADU, No. 853.

Wells. — Exempting, for reasons stated, the
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Assistance of professional well diggers.

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Cuddapah
Collector's Office
Camp. Kodur
12th March 1877

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(Sd) J. F. Price
As. Collector

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Camp Porumamilla
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 Collector

(True Copy)

(5th) J. Frederick Ornes
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W. C. Coker
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