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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

6th June 1877, No. 1,911-B.

Famine Relief.

Read the following papers:—

No. 103-C. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 26th May 1877,
No. 2,406.

Read the following letter from R. W. BARLOW, Esq., Collector of the Chingleput District, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Sydapet, 19th May 1877, No. 362:—

ADVERTING to paragraph 1 of my No. 319, of the 5th instant, I have the honor to forward copies of two letters, Nos. 203 and 212, dated respectively the 4th and 7th idem, from the Treasury Deputy Collector, and to request that, under the circumstances

	RS.
1 Accountant on...	25
1 Do.	20
1 Do.	15

therein stated, the Board will be good enough to sanction the entertainment of the establishment as per margin instead of that approved of tentatively in their Proceedings of the 25th ultimo, No. 1,905.

2. The Board will observe that the cost of the establishment above recommended is Rupees 5 less than that already sanctioned, and Rupees 15 less than that now proposed by the Deputy Collector, and I shall try to effect a further reduction when the arrears of the past months are cleared and the accounts brought to order.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From A. SMITH, Esq., Deputy Collector in charge of Treasury, to R. W. BARLOW, Esq., Collector of the Chingleput District, dated Sydapet, 4th May 1877, No. 203.

From Collector to Board, dated 19th April 1877, No. 277.
From Board, dated 25th April 1877, No. 1,905.

REFERRING to the correspondence noted in the margin, I have the honor to submit for your consideration the following remarks.

2. I must here premise that in soliciting sanction for the entertainment of four hands for the audit of famine relief bills, I had also in view the aid I expected to receive from them in the examination and preparation of the classified accounts for which no separate provision had been made, as well as such general assistance as would enable me to comply with the requisitions for returns, reports, and accounts which have of late increased and multiplied both in number and magnitude far beyond the original requirements. In addition there is a large amount of mere copying which the correspondence connected with the famine work and statements necessarily involves, and which has fallen on the permanent establishment, burdening it with labor which it is unable to go through, and entailing arrears which are with difficulty worked off.

3. That the work which we have to get through at this crisis is exceptional and heavy, urgently calling for more aid for its efficient performance, will be evident, apart from what I have above represented, from the simple fact of the early and late hours which the Account Department is compelled to observe in order to perform the additional work which has devolved upon it. Need I say that you yourself have on more than one occasion on leaving office for home at 7½ P.M. seen the establishment working at the accounts by candle-light! They have remained so working till 9 P.M., returning again at 7 or 8 A.M. to renew their labors of the previous night. I am sure it will be admitted that they would not thus inconvenience themselves if they could possibly arrange otherwise.

Revenue Department, 6th June 1877, No. 1,911-B.

4. It is not easy to estimate or to explain the amount of time and labor involved in the examination, check, and tabulation of the Taluq and Public Works returns by an inspection of those submitted from this office to the Board and Government. If the taluq and other returns were so prepared as to admit without further ado of the simple transfer of the different items to the statements and accounts submitted to the Board and Government, the labor would be comparatively a mere bagatelle and would require no more aid than that of a couple of good copyists to reproduce transcripts of the returns. But it is far otherwise the case with the returns submitted, and none can even approximately estimate the time, care, and attention required for the examination, check, and tabulation of the returns until he has himself undertaken the task and experience the labor which it involves.

5. I have thought it necessary to go into some detail of explanation, and trust I shall be pardoned for occupying so much of your valuable time at a moment when you yourself are overburdened with work and responsibility, consequent on the exceptional and afflicting calamity which has befallen the country. But I trust I may be permitted to express a hope that, under the explanation now afforded, I may be allowed the four hands I have applied for with the salaries noted in the margin, and aggregating Rupees 75 per mensem, which is Rupees 30 less than what I originally asked for.

1 Accountant	Rs. 25
1 Do.	20
1 Do.	15
1 Copyist	15
Total	75

(Signed) R. W. BARLOW,
Collector.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

From A. SMITH, Esq., Deputy Collector in charge of Treasury, to R. W. BARLOW, Esq., Collector of the Chingleput District, dated Sydapet, 7th May 1877, No. 212.

I HAVE the honor to inform you that much difficulty is experienced in getting through the extra work which has lately devolved in this department owing to the paucity of hands.

2. Yesterday, though Sunday, the best portion on the establishment attended office, and to-day they will remain working till 9 or 10 p.m.

3. Adverting to the correspondence which has passed on the subject of additional aid to this department, I beg you will permit me to entertain at once the establishment noted in the margin, pending the receipt of orders from the Board on my renewed application for four hands.

1 Accountant	Rs. 25
1 Do.	20
1 Do.	15
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SUBMITTED for the sanction of Government.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Secretary.

No. 103-D.

ORDER THEREON, 6th June 1877, No. 1,911-B.

Miscellaneous.

SANCTIONED.

2. The charge will be met from Famine Fund.

(True Extract.)

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

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

Ed. F. R. Bantleman.

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Revenue Department

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
Dated 26th May 1871

No 362. Read the following.

From R. W. Barlow Esq^r
Collector of the
Chingleput District.

To, H. E. Stokes Esq^r
Secretary to the Board
of Revenue
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GOVT. OF 1871
REVENUE.
THE BOARD OF REVENUE.
JUNE.
No 1080-1082.
FACSIMILE REVENUE NO 1082.
As per the order of the Board of Revenue, the
amount of ... and ... the amount to be
not from ...

that, under the circumstances therein stated, the Board will be good enough to sanction the entertainment of the establishment as per margin instead of that approved of tentatively in their Proceedings of the 25th Ultimo N^o. 1905.

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Chingleput District Collector's Office
Saidapet 19th May 1877

I have &c
(Sd) R. W. Barlow
Collector

N^o 212.
From
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To
The Collector of
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application for four hands.

Chingleput District Office
Saidapet. 7th May 1877

I have &c
(S^d) A. Smith

Dy Collector

(True Copy)

(S^d) R. W. Barlow
Collector

No 203

Enclosure II.

From

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Chingleput District.

To

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1877. No 27.
From Board
of 25 April 1877
No 1905

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Chingleput Dist. Collr.
 Office, Saidapet.
 4th May 1877

I have &c.

(S^d) A. Smith

Dy Collector

(True Copy)

(S^d) R. H. Prabhu
 Collector

Submitted for the sanction
 of Govt.

(True Copies & Extract)

Bliss
 Secretary

To
 The Addl. Secy to Govt. R.D.

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