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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

18th April 1877, No. 1285.

Famine Relief.

Read the following paper:—

No. 151. *From Messrs. ARBUTHNOT and Co., to the Officiating Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 13th April 1877.*

We have the honor to enclose copy of a letter and of accounts connected with our grain purchases, which we are this day forwarding to the Accountant-General.

2. We think that with the exceptions of items numbered 8, 9, and 10, the Accountant-General will be in a position to audit the whole of the account, and it is with reference to these items that we have now the honor to address His Grace the Governor in Council.

3. The allowance of 3 Annas per bag as per item No. 9 has been already sanctioned, and the commission in item No. 10 is calculated on the basis of the arrangement entered into in the first instance with Government.

4. Item No. 8 for godown rent and other charges incurred here is calculated on a very moderate scale. We have actually had to pay, for some of the Government grain stored in Calcutta, godown rent at the rate of 1 Anna per bag per month, while our charge is 9 Pies per bag for the whole period the rice is here. The charge includes the cost of numerous pandals we have had to erect, of extra establishment we had to engage, and of a considerable sum disbursed in telegrams.

5. We have now the honor to express a hope that, under the above explanation, His Grace the Governor in Council will be pleased to pass our accounts and to instruct the Accountant-General to disburse the Rupees 1,60,667-8-11 shown to be due to us.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From Messrs. ARBUTHNOT and Co., to the Accountant-General, dated Madras,
13th April 1877.

We have now the honor to forward an account for Government grain closed so far as is possible up to date.

2. The composition of the first four items requires no explanation, as detailed memoranda of the same have been already sent to you.

3. The 5th item is for boat-hire in shipping 11,259 bags rice per John Chapman, bound for ports in the Nellore District.

4. The 6th item is for cart-hire incurred in forwarding the grain to the Railway Station, &c., for despatch; and the 7th item is what we have paid for loading the rice on the wagons.

5. Regarding the 8th, 9th, and 10th items we are addressing Government, and we have no doubt you will receive their sanction to pass them.

6. The cash received was paid to us here, except 20 lakhs which were passed to our credit with the Bank of Bengal, Calcutta.

7. We enclose a Memorandum showing the quantities of grain sold here and elsewhere for Government. The total number of bags is 30,276, and we have got actual results of all, except 2,700 wheat, which we estimate will have produced about Rupees 20,000. We therefore give a total credit for sale of Rupees 2,48,000, subject to adjustment hereafter.

8. The result of the account is that a balance of Rupees 1,60,678-8-11 is shown to be due to us, and we will be glad if you get the sanction of Government to the disbursement of this sum to us.

9. The account now rendered is practically a closed one, with the exception that we will probably have a little more damaged grain to sell for Government, and that there may be some small charges for cart-hire, &c., to out-stations incurred by our up-country Agents.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

GRAIN ACCOUNT WITH GOVERNMENT.

As per Invoice rendered on 26th March 1877.

	RS.	A.	P.
1. Cost of 565,361 bags	46,52,790	4	0
As per Invoice rendered on 29th March 1877.			
2. Cost of 27,949 bags	2,23,592	0	0
3. Memo. of other charges, such as Railway, cart-hire, &c., forwarded on 29th March and incurred by up-country Agents to 31st January	1,16,558	2	10
4. Memo. of other charges similar to above incurred from 31st January to 28th February 1877, and sent to Accountant-General on 9th April 1877	5,796	1	3
5. Boat-hire on—			
3,259 sent Ramapattam	814	12	0
8,000 " Kottapatam	2,000	0	0
at 4 Annas per bag.	2,814	12	0
6. Cart-hire to Railway Stations and to Beach on 593,310 bags, at 1 Anna per bag	37,081	14	0
7. Loading hire at Railway and at Beach at Rs. 1-8-0 per 100	8,899	10	4
8. Godown rent and storage charges in Madras at consolidated rate of 9 Pie per bag. This also includes telegrams and petty charges	27,811	6	6
9. Three Annas per bag sanctioned by Government on rice remaining in Madras after 5th January 1877 for our establishments, godowns, and expenses up-country, 373,310	69,995	10	0
10. If 42,379 tons cost	51,45,339	12	11
then 30,000 cost about	36,42,476	0	0
and 12,379 " "	15,02,863	12	11
so that commission at 5 per cent. on 30,000 and 3 per cent. on balance	2,27,210	0	0
Cash received	53,72,549	12	11
Rice sold about	49,63,882	4	0
	2,48,000	0	0
	52,11,882	4	0
Balance due	1,60,667	8	11

13th April 1877.

(Signed) ARBUTHNOT AND CO.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.

Rice and Wheat sold on account of Government.

		RS.	A.	P.
21,761 Bags Rice		1,79,898	12	5
Madras 505 " Wheat		4,163	12	0
619 " Rice, damaged		2,147	10	6
271 " " "		1,010	6	0
Kurnool 2,219 " Rice		20,558	15	8
501 " Wheat		4,324	12	0
Bellary 1,700 " Rice		14,901	9	7
2,700 " Wheat*				
Total .. 30,276 Bags.		2,27,005	14	2

13th April 1877.

(Signed) ARBUTHNOT AND CO.

* Proceeds not yet realized.

No. 152.

ORDER THEREON, 18th April 1877, No. 1285.

The account submitted by Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co. amounts to Rupees 53,72,549-12-11. They have received Rupees 49,63,882-4-0, and give credit for rice sold about Rupees 2,48,000, or together Rupees 52,11,882-4-0. The balance due to them is Rupees 1,60,667-8-11.

2. Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co. draw special attention to the three items Nos. 8, 9, and 10, which the Governor in Council sanctions, and authorizes (subject to audit) the disbursement of the balance Rupees 1,60,667-8-11.

(True Extract.)

D. F. CARMICHAEL,

Offg. Chief Secretary.

J. H. Moore

Under Secy. to Govt.

To the Accountant-General.

" Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co.

" the Revenue (Famine) Department.

" the Revenue Department.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

Nov. 1877 20th
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Obt. of 1877 BY ORDER,

FINANCIAL.

To THE ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL.

Co, No, R.

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G.O. 1884 A. of 1877, No. 1398.

APRIL

Nos. 151-152.

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Remise Rebat.—The disbursement—subject to
audit—of the balance, Pursuant 1,60,667-8-1X due
to Messrs. A. F. Johnson and Co., audited.

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