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No 3698.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
Dated 8th August 1877

Read the following

Letter No 2148

From J. F. Price Esquire
As Collector of Cuddalore

To C. A. Galton Esquire,
As Secretary to the Board of Revenue,
Madras.

Sir, I have the honor to submit
the report touching Mr Olley
required by G. O. Revenue Department
No 1064 H dated 21st May 1877 communi-
-cated in Board's Proceedings & No.
No 8269 dated 9th June 1877.

The charges against this officer

were:

1. Neglect to carry out orders passed for the payment of 3 pie children.
2. Passing payment of a large number of coolies upon a particular work in which no children were shown, after it had been brought to his notice, that there were many children in the gangs.
3. Passing payment to 24 gangs of coolies after it had been reported to him, that there were only 22 gangs at work.
4. Passing pay for 3 days to a number of coolies when it had been reported to him, that none of them had been at work.
5. Calculating all his payments to

6. Coolies at rates founded on the price of rice being 30 measures per rupee, when the price was actually considerably lower.

6. Calculating tasks for coolies and arranging them at rates, such as no sensible man could believe were intended, and quoting in support an order that the task for a gang of 50 should be 16 Cubic feet of gravel per diem, this being an obvious clerical error for 16 Cubic yards.

7. General mismanagement, leaving coolies in arrears, and incompetence in his work.

8. The following is the result of the enquiry
1/2 charge. Mr. Otley says that

he gave orders early in March to
pay 3 pice to the children. On the
14th of April and 4th of May

Mr Swan reported to the Subcollector
that no such payments had been
made. Mr Otley says that his
Ministries were to blame for this.

There is nothing in his records to show
that he issued the orders alleged.

Knowing what little reliance can
be placed in Mr Otley's statements,
I believe that he issued no such
orders as those asserted.

2nd Charge. Mr Otley admits that
the facts alleged to have been brought
to his notice were. He could not deny
it, as this is upon Record. He offers a
perfectly

perfectly unintelligible explanation
in regard to this matter, but it would
appear that he wishes to convey that
he sent the indent for payment
back to the Ministry with orders to
send it again through the Superintendent,
and that the Ministry having returned
it to him he, seeing the Superintendent's
initials on the corner, thought it
all right and passed it. He accounts
for having passed an indent, regarding
the incorrectness of which he had
received a report from the Super-
intendent, by saying that he was

"very bad with fever."

3rd Charge. Mr Otley denies
having passed an indent such as
is stated. It is however clear that he

he did, and that the Superintendent have previously reported that there were two gangs more shown in it than really existed.

4th Charge. Mr. Otley admits that the Superintendent reported to him that certain parties of coolies did no work for two days. He offers no explanation of this. The Superintendent's report is upon record.

5th Charge. Mr. Otley alleges that 3½ seers per rupee was the selling price of rice. The reports of the Reddies of 4 of the principal villages in

Mr. Otley's Range show that the price of rice was, during the time that he put it down at 3½ seers per Rupee, 4 & 4½. The price returns sent in by

by the Sub-Collector, show the same.

Mr. Otley alleges that he himself bought for 3 seers per Rupee in order to give rice to beggars. There is no proof of it.

6th Charge. It is true that, by a clerical error in the Sub-Collector's office, a circular was issued to Mr. Otley and other officers stating that 16 cubic feet of gravel would be the day's work for a gang of 50 coolies. Mr. Swan however gave Mr. Otley a diagram received from my office showing what the heaps were to be, and showing the correct dimensions for 16 cubic yards. & to other officers of the Division failed to observe the blunder.

Noted for Mr. Swan's report of 16 cubic yards of gravel for a gang of 50 coolies.

6th Charge. It is distinctly proved
that Mr Otley allowed cattle
in his Range to be as much as
1 and 3 weeks in arrears. Mr Otley
attempts no explanation.

7th Charge. Mr Lybble the late
Acting Sub Collector, Mr Macfarlane
the Special Assistant Collector,
under whom Mr Otley first
served, and Mr Swan all have
spoken most strongly not only
of his utter incompetence, but of
his want of truth. I fully agree
with them. His Division has been
found to have been in a terrible mess,
fraud has been rife there, delays
of all kinds have occurred and

there has been, owing to the negligence
of Mr Otley, a great waste of
the public money. He had collected
around him a clique of scamps, some
his own followers from Bangalore
and other places, and others, men who
had been dismissed from the works
at Cuddalore. He had denied that
he knew that certain persons employed
by him had been dismissed, and
I have not the slightest moral doubt
that he was aware that they had
been. In one instance certainly
he employed, as his private writer,
who however did a considerable portion
of his Government work, a man
who had been dismissed from the
service

service and whose re-employment
had been forbidden by Mr. Subbitt,
and he continued this man in his
service although he was told of
the matter by both the Subbitt
and Mr. Swan.

4. That Mr. Otley does not
scruple to tell a falsehood, I have
myself had distinct and clear
proof in the case of a certain Brah-
min, since tried and convicted of
plundering Government, and who
was employed as another of Mr.
Otley's "private writers." It was by
the merest chance that I discovered
that this individual was in Mr.
Otley's service, and with him at a
time

time when that officer swore before
a Magistrate, that he had not seen
him for several years.

5. I consider that Mr. Otley
is not only incompetent and care-
less, but that he is utterly
unworthy of trust. From what
has come out in the course of the
enquiries held into the conduct
of his subordinates I cannot,
except upon the supposition that
he was grossly negligent, account
for frauds, such as have been de-
tected, having been committed
without his knowledge. His moral
conduct has been flagrantly bad.

6. I believe him to be utterly
unfit

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

No. 1502

From

W. J. R.

Dated

11 August

1877

FOR ORDERS.

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Charges
to the Board of Supervisors, 21000

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Board of Supervisors, 21000

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the City of San Francisco, 21000

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San Francisco

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Memorandum.

With reference to the Memo.
of the Com. the Gov. and
Mr. Garrison's letter. What
should be understood
and the Bureau of
not that nothing is
being in regard to
the who has been the
the office. There is nothing
in any of the papers except
the office. It is not
known if it is not known
that whether the Bureau
was public or private
Bureau.

There are reports whether
the Bureau is to be called in to
what further in the future.

