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Famine Relief.

No. 379. Read demi-official letter from G. THORNHILL, Esq., to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, under date 5th February 1877:—

No. 380. ORDER THEREON, 13th February 1877, No. 641.

Miscellaneous.

HIS GRACE the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint Captain Hackett to the Bellary District in connection

with famine relief-works in place of Mr. Agar appointed to act as Assistant Superintendent of Police in Cuddapah.

2. The Collector of Bellary is authorised to appoint an Accountant, on 150 Rupees a-month, to assist Captain Hackett in keeping the accounts connected with the relief-works in the immediate vicinity of Bellary.

3. His Grace does not approve of the regular Police being detailed for the duty of watching grain lying in railway stations, but authorises all Collectors of railway districts to employ such number of Military pensioners in their respective districts as they may consider necessary for guarding such stocks of grain, and to pay them small stipends, debiting the charges to famine relief.

4. Two Bengal Civilians and three persons qualified to supervise public works will be shortly posted to the Bellary District.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.

„ Captain Hackett, Paragraphs 1 and 2.
„ the Financial Department.
„ the Military Department.
„ the Accountant-General.
„ the Public Works Department.
„ the Inspector-General of Police.
„ the Collector of Cuddapah.
„ the do. Bellary.
„ the do. Karnool.
„ the do. Chingleput.
„ the do. North Arcot.
„ the do. South Arcot.
„ the do. Tanjore.
„ the do. Trichinopoly.
„ the do. Madura.
„ the do. Tinnevely.
„ the do. Coimbatore.
„ the do. Salem.
„ the do. Malabar.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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Gooty, Sunday.
5th Feb.

My dear Stokes,

I have been engaged at Bellary in preparing a rough narrative of the Progress of the Famine in that District, so far as it has come under my observation, as requested by Sir W. Robinson. I have seen Col. Howey, Captain Hamilton & Capt. Wilson, they are all active & energetic men. Col. It is at Bellary in Price's place. Capt. Hamilton has charge of Relief works at Adoni and Capt. Wilson the same here.

Col. Howey seems to be getting on well at Bellary, although the

P.S. The officers from Bengal have all come with the understanding that they are to be in Bellary a month or more of the military pay of their rank. I imagine there will be plenty of Volunteers from Madras of the same rank.

Contd. of (1877) ~~Notes~~

REVENUE.

THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Secy, Asst. Secy, &c.

Dated February, 1877.

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G.O. 1300 February 1877, No. 641.

SECRETARY.

No. 379-380.

FAMINE RELIEF, No. 801.

Captain Haswell.—Appointing to the Bellary District in connection with famine relief works in place of Mr. Agar, authorising appointment of an Assistant to assist Captain Haswell in keeping the accounts of the relief works in the immediate vicinity of Bellary; authorising all Collectors of railway districts to employ Military personnel for guarding grain lying in railway stations and to pay them small stipends instead of detaching the regular Police for the duty; and observing that two Bengal Civilians and three men to supervise public works will be seconded to the Bellary District.

work and people are as yet strange
him.

With him there, Crook will not be
required and in this Master agreed
with me. I understood from
Colonel H. and from Cox that
Mr. Agar's time was entirely
occupied in the supervision of
accounts and in office work.

This work, at all events, the accounts,
would be better done by a smart
Head Accountant on 150 Rs a month
and Agar would then be available
to aid Col. Hony in inspecting working
gangs. There are 6 or 7 gangs, of from

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5000 to 10000 men each in
different directions and
they cannot possibly be kept
up to the mark without frequent
inspection by a superior officer.
One man cannot do it nearly
often enough and therefore I
recommended that arrangements
be made to free Mr. Agar from
a portion of his office work
for this duty. Captain Hamilton
is trying to get order established
at Adoni, but he has 70,000
men to deal with in the Taluk
and I think it would be
true economy to place
another young officer under
him. it will be impossible
to

to watch the effect of the new
rates of wages properly without
another man. Glenning is
here now but will be out on
Jaiminabundy soon. He is
pretty well again but a little
shaken by a Choleraic attack
which he had at Adoni. It
has been mentioned to me that
considerable inconvenience
and risk arises from the
observance of a recent order
by the Inspector General of
Police to the effect that
no Police guards are to be
allowed over Railway stations
or over grain stores. The Railway

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stations are all more or less crowded
with bags of grain which offer
a great temptation to pilferers
and even to robbery on a large scale.
In the larger stations the presence
of the Railway officials may deter
from any but petty thefts. - But at
remote stations, as at Anupree for
instance there is really nothing
to prevent a gang of robbers
from carrying off large quanti-
ties of grain unmolested. The
station is full of grain bags,
it is full 3 miles from any vil-
lage and the staff is very small
indeed. at the larger stations
petty thefts are frequent. I had
experience

experience of this when residing in the
Railway compound at Cud Dapah.
I think every station where much grain
is lying should be furnished with
a guard or at all events that
it should be left discretionary
to the local officers to furnish
one when called upon to do so.
At present, as I understand it,
the Inspector General's order forbids
guards of regular Police to be placed
at the stations. I propose going to
Anantapur to night and thence to
Dharmavaram. I shall return to
Bellary and back to Madras about
the 16th. I stated above that Cole
would not be required at Bellary for

the special work he was
intended to undertake but
several other officers will
be required to make up the
complement of one officer
to each Taluk, the very least
number with which
efficiency can be maintained.
I give below the present
establishment of superior
officers in Bellary with
the additions required.

Yours very Sincerely
Wm L. Thornhill.

Taluk.

Talugs	Divisional officers	Present Relief officers	Required officers
Bellary	Mr. Macar Mr. Cox, Head Assistant Col. - in charge Head Quarters.	Colonel Howey Mr. Edgar	
Gooty	Mr. Glenney	Capt. Wilson	an assistant
Adoni	Sub. Collectr	Capt. Hamilton	to Captain Ha-
Cher		Mr. Mackay	milton at
Tadpatri.		Mr. Sharkey D.C.	Adoni.
Pennakonda	Mr. Rao	Mr. Ropchand	
Kindapur	Assistant	Mr. Jackson	have one if not
Madakira	Collector		two more officers
			under him.
Adantapuram	Mr. Rao		
Shamuguram	D.C.	* 1. 1 Civilian 1 good Sanskrit Sanskrit list	as special relief officer should be placed in charge of Shamuguram with an Assistant the size of the talug being immense.
Hoofelt	V. Venkatas-	Raghava Rao	an officer
Hoofellali	- chellam	D.C.	for the charge
Hovindhad - 3	D.C.	* 2. 1 Civilian 1	of Hovindhad
= gally - 3			required.
Raidrug & Moorugisam	Mr. Reddy	* 1. 1 Civilian & one good Sanskrit	Kodlign shall be placed in charge of a separate relief officer.
Kodlign			
Sen cur			
8/2 Mr.			

house.
The enclosed D.O.
from the A. Sec. to the
Rev Board giving
cover to a letter from
Mr. Thornhill is
circulated for review.

Mr. Thornhill suggests
the desirability of having
a more officer
appointed to the Bellamy
Dist. than Mr. F. J. Long
charges, besides an
accountant to relieve
Mr. Agar of the duty
of examining accounts.

There are no funds
available that
I am aware of.
From the 2 are
going to Capt. H.
Money Capt. Hackett

Agar has gone to Potosi
therefore another person
in his place needed.
I suggest that
Clark suggest to
Post Capt. Hackett

an on this day.
The former is posted
to Wallaw. The
latter is not posted
at all.

Officers from the Indian
Army w. would
volunteer readily if
300 N. a month was
paid out as an
incentive to them
to do so.

No reply has yet
been received from the
Gov. of India to my
telegram asking
that special allowance
be granted to British
officers in the families
of 1874. but it is
probable that they
get 300 N. a month
in addition to their
military pay. but
longer than
given to the
officers.

Estimating is not good.
The officers would be
detailed to the duty of
they would be paid
Europeans cannot
but. possibly a native
officer from each
regiment might be
obtained. This would
give a considerable number
of N. 9/2

On the whole I think our
native officers (and) are
quite as good as native
military officers. more efficient
with less pay.

Of course officers are expected
then in the professional and

I think temporary
unemployed. I do not
know. Not an
increase to the police force.

Military permissions might
well be called on to and
in such duty & would
probably gladly accept a
small remuneration
perhaps a permission
officer might be found
to take charge of the
station.

res. telegraph accordingly. in the
case of the same as if

volunteer for these terms
it is more than sufficient
to place their services
at the disposal
of Govt.

Under these circumstances
some are expected to
the manner in which the
wants of the Police
Div. can be met; also
whether the Govt. (in
the Govt. Dep't) by
Thou this is to be modified,
so that every station
where much grain is
being sh. be furnished
with a guard. with
furnishing of a guard to
be dismounted to the
local officer when called
upon to give one.

8/2/71 H.C.
P.S. This packet might go
to H.C. the P.C. of
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are indispensable.

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Rev. Dr. J. W.
H. Shonhill & Co.
Rev. Dr. J. W. Shonhill
Feb 1877

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This from the for in
Council is ~~the~~ ^{Capt. Hackett}
to app. ~~the~~ ^{the}.
Butler to the Ballou
Dr. in connection with
Sanitary Relief work in
Hawaii. Mr. Agan
appointed to act
as: ~~the~~ ^{the} in
Cuddapah. This
salary will be \$250.00
a month ~~the~~ ^{the} from
November

2. The Collector of Ballou
is authorized to app. an
amount not over \$150.00
amount to assist
Capt. Hackett
Mr. Butler in keeping
the amount connected
with the relief work in
Kauai. Date received

Q. 0
In approach
Circ.

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