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15th February 1877.*

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No. 520 Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 6th February 1877, No. 511:—

Read the following letter from J. F. PRICE, Esq., Acting Collector of Cuddapah, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 24th January 1877, No. 39:—

I HAVE the honor to transmit, for the orders of the Board of Revenue, copies of a letter and its enclosures received from the Acting Sub-Collector.

2. I beg to deprecate in the strongest manner officers under me acting without reference in the way that Mr. Gribble has done, and to urge that, if I am to hold my position as responsible head of the district, such practice should at once be put a stop to. I have no doubt that Mr. Gribble acted under verbal permission accorded by the 1st Member of the Board and with the very best intentions, but I do not consider it was right that he should have left me, as his immediate superior, in total ignorance of what he had done until it was too late for me to object.

3. His arrangement is a most extravagant one. Had he written to me carts could have been supplied to him here at from 35 to 45 Rupees each, or at from 15 to 25 Rupees less than what Mr. Gribble is paying apiece for wheels and axles delivered in Madras. I have requested him not to purchase any more without reference to me.

4. There is no avoiding the transaction now I fear, and Government must pay. It would be the most convenient course, I think, for adjustment to be made in Madras.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From J. D. B. GRIBBLE, Esq., Acting Sub-Collector, to J. F. PRICE, Esq., Acting Collector of Cuddapah, dated 18th January 1877, No. 57.

As I have frequently had the honor of informing you the great difficulty I have to encounter in getting up my supplies of grain is want of bandies. I was accordingly authorized by Mr. Thornhill to build bandies, but the only place where I can get them built is Madanapally. Twenty-six are now ready and twenty-four more will be delivered in a few days. This however is nothing like the quantity I shall require, and I accordingly asked Mr. Thornhill whether I could make arrangements with a firm in Madras to supply bandy-wheels. Mr. Thornhill informed me that I could do so, and I accordingly placed myself in communication with Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co. for the supply of 100 pairs of bandy-wheels and axles.

2. Enclosed is a copy of their reply, and I beg that you will be good enough to make the necessary arrangements for the payment of the amount.

(True Copy.)

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

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

From Messrs. ARBUTHNOT and Co., to J. D. B. GRIBBLE, Esq., Madras Civil Service, Cuddapah, dated Madras, 15th January 1877.

With reference to your letter of the 5th instant, we have arranged with the Napier & Co. Ltd. Company (Limited) to supply you with 100 pairs of bandy-wheels with axles at Rupees 60 per pair delivered at their works within three weeks. They shall be sent to Gudiatam when completed, and we are registering the order for Railway carriage as requested.

(True Copy.)

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

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
15th February 1877.*

1. SUBMITTED to Government with request that the Accountant-General may be authorized to pay the bill on its presentation by the Board.

2. Mr. Price's strictures on Mr. Gribble's conduct in ordering the wheels and axles without reference to him appear to the Board to be called for. The occurrence took place before he joined the district, and Mr. Gribble acted under authorization from the Board's 1st Member, except in regard to the price to be paid. Mr. Thornhill did not contemplate more than a reasonable price, such as would be paid for carts in the district, being given.

3. The Board have, in communication with Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co., endeavored to have the orders cancelled, but learn that already more than half the number of wheels and axles are ready for delivery, and the rest in too advanced a state for the contract to be given up. The wheels are said to be of superior quality, but will doubtless be saleable after use only at a heavy loss; if indeed they are now required at all, the policy as to grain supply having undergone a change.

4. The Board presume that bandy frames and poles will be fitted to the wheels at Gudiattam. Mr. Price should arrange for this in communication with the Collector of North Arcot.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Acting Secretary.

520-D.

ORDER THEREON, 15th February 1877, No. 697-A.

Miscellaneous.

THE Government learn with regret the exceedingly high rates at which Mr. Gribble contracted for cart wheels and axles. The Board will endeavour to have them disposed at once in Madras. The first loss is the least.

(True Extract.)

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

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

Ed. T. D. Ryan:

Revenue Department

Resolutions of the Board of Revenue

Dated 6th Feb 1877

Read the following.

No. 39.

From

J. F. Price Esquire

Acting Collector of Cuddapah.

To H. E. Stokes Esquire

Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Madras.

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Govt. of {1877} Madras.
REVENUE.

To THE BOARD OF REVENUE,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated February, 15th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O. 15th February 1877, No. 631-A.

FEBRUARY.

Nos. 520-A—520-B.

FAMINE RELIEF, No. 531-A.

Prices at which Mr. Gribble, Cuddapah District, contracted for cart wheels and axes.—Expressing regret at the exceedingly high prices, directing the Board to endeavour to have them disposed at once in Madras.

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24 January 177 } Acting Collector.

Enclosure

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Cuddapah Sub. Collr. } I have &c
Office } S^d S. D. B. Gribble
18th January 1877. } A^d Sub Collector.
(True copy)
(Sd) Frederick Price
Acting Collector

Madras 15 January 1877.

Arbutnot & Co

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(True copy & extract)

H. H. H.
Asst. Secretary.

The Asst. Secretary to
Government Rev. Dept.

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