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Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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No. 245. Read the following letter from the Officiating Conservator of Forests, to the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Camp at Ootacamund, 19th April 1869, No. 1,317 :—

ADVERTING to the Proceedings of the Board, No. 1,745, of the 15th of March 1869, I have the honor to forward a letter from the Collector of Kurnool,* and request the orders of Government as to whether the sum of 176 Rupees, paid by the Local Funds as seigniorage on timber and bamboos (already credited in the accounts for 1868-69), is to be refunded.

* No. 215 of 6th April 1869.

2. By our rules, which prohibit intradepartmental cash payments, the Local Funds need not have paid cash when they took out vouchers to fell. A receipt or voucher for the amount, as always granted by the Department Public Works, would have been sufficient. By the accompanying letter† from the Forest Officer of the district, Government will perceive that no application was made by the Collector for a free supply of the timber, and our department knew nothing of the matter, beyond granting the licenses on the presentation of the vouchers.

† No. 21 of 14th April 1869.

3. I do not see why the Local Funds should be exempted from granting us the usual Transfer Receipt for the value of timber, etc., supplied, any more than the Department Public Works or other Government Departments. If allowed, in some cases it would be difficult to draw the line, and our department would be prevented from showing a correct return.

From the Collector of Kurnool, to the Officiating Conservator of Forests, dated Kurnool, 6th April 1869, No. 215.

WITH reference to Board's Proceedings, No. 1,745, dated 15th March 1869, paragraph 6, I have the honor to forward a memorandum, showing the amount of seigniorage paid, by the Deputy Collector at Nundial, to the Forest Department for wood, etc., cut for the construction of halting places on the Nandikanama Pass; and request you to issue the necessary orders for the refund of the sum, viz., Rupees 176, and for the discontinuance of such demands hereafter by the Officers of your department at Nundial.

From the Assistant-Conservator of Forests, to the Officiating Conservator of Forests, dated Kurnool, 14th April 1869, No. 21.

IN answer to your letter, No. 1,297, of 10th instant, I have the honor to inform you that I know nothing *officially* of the transaction therein alluded to. No application was made to me for a free license, and the first knowledge I had of the business was when the vouchers were brought to my office for licenses.

2. With reference to the Government Order on the subject, I beg that, should the money taken have to be returned, we may have the usual Department Public Works Receipt granted; for, should timber once be given free to any public department, all other departments, including the Department Public Works, will, I think, [redacted] to the same privilege.

No. 246. ORDER THEREON, 11th May 1869, No. 1,304.

Forests, No. 14.

THE Officiating Conservator of Forests will, as required by the Collector of Kurnool, under the instructions of the Board of Revenue, refund the cash payment of Rupees 176 made from the Local

REVENUE.

To

THE OFFICIATING CONSERVATOR

OF FORESTS

&c., &c., &c.

Dated May. 11th.

Recd. &c.

C. O., 11th May 1869, *No.* 1,304.

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Nos. 245-246.

Seigniorage on Timber and Bamboos paid in Kurnool District.—Refund of the amount paid from the Local Funds on this account, sanctioned.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,

11th May 1869.

Funds on account of seigniorage on timber and bamboos taken from the forests. The Collector will give a Transfer Receipt for the amount, as is done by the Public Works Department. The same course should be followed in all districts when timber is taken from the Forest Department on account of Local Fund Works.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,

Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Officiating Conservator of Forests.
,, the Board of Revenue.
,, the Accountant-General.
,, the Public Works Department.

Ed F. R. Eastleman,

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Office of Conservator of Forests
Camp Ootacamund 19th April 18

No. 1317.

From

Major R. A. Beddome
Offg. Conservator of Forests.

To,

R. A. Dalyell Esqre
As. Secretary to Government
R. D.

Sir,

Adverting to the Proceedings of the Board No. 1745 of the 15th of March 1869, I have the honor to forward, a letter from the Collector of Kurnool and request the orders of Government as to whether the sum of 176 Rs. paid by the Local funds as seignorage on timber and bamboos (already credited in the accounts for 1868-69) is to be refunded.

*No. 215 of 6th April 1869

2. By our rules which prohibit interdepartmental cash payments, the Local funds need not have paid cash when they took out vouchers to sell, a receipt or voucher for the amount as always granted by the

P. P. W. would have been sufficient by the accompanying letter* from the forest officer of the district, Government will perceive that no application was made by the Collector for a free supply of the timber and our department knew nothing of the matter beyond granting the Licences on the presentation of the vouchers.-

3.- I do not see why the Local funds should be exempted from granting us the usual transfer receipt for the value of timber &c supplied any more than the P. P. W. or other Government Departments, if allowed in some cases it would be difficult to draw the line and our Department would be prevented from shewing a correct return.-

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedt. Servt.

Ptt Waddell Major
Offg. Conservator of Forests.

* No 2.

Revl. Department

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Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 11th May 1869

Read the following letter from the Offg. Conservator of Forests

Requests order of Govt. as to the refund of Rs. 176 paid by the Local funds as seignorage on timber and bamboos-

(W. D. 19th April 1869 No. 131)

The Officiating Conservator of Forests will as required by the Collector of Nilgiris under the instructions of the Board of Revenue, refund the cash payment

of Rs. 176 made from
the Local Funds on account
of seignorage on timber
and bamboos taken from
~~for conservancy~~ the Forests. The Collector
will give a transfer re-
ceipt for the amount
as is done by the Public
Works Department. The
same course should be
followed in all Districts
when timber is taken from
the Forests Dept. on account of
Local Fund works.

Enclosed

13 To the Off[g] Conservator of Forests
14 —"— Do Do
15 —"— Accountant General
21 —"— D.P.W. Dept

with 2 Enclosures