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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

28th February 1877, No. 751.

**Famine Relief.**

Read the following paper:—

No. 482. *From Major F. J. HICKS, Government Grain Agent, Bellary, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 23rd February* 1877, *No.* 316.

I have the honor to forward you copy of a letter from Messrs. Parry and Co. and my reply thereto.

2. You are aware that, under existing arrangements, Government rice at Railway Stations is stored by the agents of Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co. and issued by them under my orders. I have no store-rooms directly under my orders or even Storekeepers, and, unless Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co. consent to receive and store Merchant rice in the same way as they do Government rice, I might have some difficulty if merchants send me up large consignments for transport, but as regards rice sent up in small quantities I can arrange to receive and cart it off at once without the necessity of any storage.

Enclosure No. 1.

From Messrs. PARRY & CO., to the Government Grain Agent, Bellary, dated Madras, 21st February 1877.

In the event of our sending grain by rail for further transport up-country in terms of your notice in the papers, we should feel obliged by your letting us know if you are prepared to take charge of it at the Railway Station, or whether we must have a representative on the spot to hand it over to the cart contractors.

Also to what extent are we protected from dacoity or pilfer on the road.

Enclosure No. 2.

From Major F. J. HICKS, Government Grain Agent, Bellary, to Messrs. PARRY & CO., Madras, dated Bellary 23rd February 1877.

In reply to your letter, dated 21st instant, I have the honor to inform you that I think you should have a representative on the spot to deliver grain you may wish me to transport for you. A great deal however would depend on the quantity, and if under 500 bags, I think I could receive and transport it for you through my clerk at the Railway Station; but if you had no representative on the spot, and any loss occurred during transit by rail it might be difficult to settle the matter with the Railway authorities. Under my agreement the cart contractors make good any loss by pilfering on the road, but the risk of loss by dacoity must be borne by you. No case of the kind has occurred as yet, and as two Constables accompany each train of carts the transit is tolerably safe, and at the halting-places by night the Police afford due protection.

Merchants who have employed my carts hitherto have sent a peon to accompany the carts and see the grain handed over to the parties to whom it is consigned.

No. 483. ORDER THEREON, 28th February 1877, No. 751.

The owners of private grain must make their own arrangements in this matter. The Government have no stores to place at their disposal, and pay for the use of Arbuthnot and Co.'s stores for the reserve rice in distribution.

(True Extract.)

*Chief Secretary.*

To the Government Grain Agent, Bellary.
" Revenue (Famine) Department.
" Board of Revenue.
" Collector of Bellary.

Typ. J. Wright

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To

The GOVERNMENT GRAIN AGENT,

Bellary.

&c., &c. &c.

Dated February 1877.

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G. O., No. dated February 1877, No. 732.

FEBRUARY.

Nos. 432-483.

Finance Department.—Orders passed on letter from the Government Grain Agent, Bellary, regarding the provision of storage room for private rice to be carried by contractors.

No 1403

12 March 1877