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Revenue DEPARTMENT

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No. 161. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 29th November 1875, No. 3,236 :—

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2. A sum of Rupees 150 was accordingly advanced to the cooper when the work was entrusted to him; the work was completed in the middle of 1874, and, when it was inspected, it was found unfit for the purpose required, and was condemned by the Cooper of the Sea Customs Department and the Appraiser as well as by the Commissariat Department. The repaired vat being found useless, the contractor was ordered to refund the money advanced to him; he, however, said that the Commissariat Department were interested in depreciating his work, and requested payment of the balance due to him.

3. Before proceeding against the contractor for the recovery of the advance, the Deputy Collector was asked to consult with the Government Solicitor on the subject, the result of which was that the Advocate-General, with whom the Government Solicitor conferred on the subject, recommended the abandonment of the claim as per opinion herewith sent.

4. I concur with Mr. Cunningham, and beg that the Board will be good enough to obtain the sanction of Government for writing off the amount of Rupees 150 to "Profit and Loss" and recouping the Permanent Advance Fund with that amount as the advance was paid from that source.

5. The Commissariat Officers having distinctly reported that the vat was useless, it was pulled down, and the materials sold for Rupees 66-15-5, which was credited in the treasury accounts for June 1875.

6. The question of reconstructing the vat will be considered with that of constructing or renting a new godown as the present godown is to be given up to the Superintendent of the Harbour Works (*vide* G.O., No. 2,628, dated 13th September 1875).

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ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Copy of Advocate-General's Opinion.

The sanction of Government is requested accordingly for writing the sum of Rupees 150 off the accounts.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed)

H. E. STOKES,
Acting Secretary.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
20th January 1876.*

No. 162.

ORDER THEREON, 20th January 1876, No. 81.

Separate Revenue, No. 11.

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SANCTIONED.

2. The Government, however, observe
that the case shows the inexpediency of
not relying on the experience of the

Commissariat Department in such a matter.

(True Extract.)

(Signed)

W. HUDLESON,

Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue.
„ the Accountant-General.

Erd. J. W. Fischer.

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H. E. Stokes

Acting Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with one enclosure to be returned.

Copy to the Collector of Madras.

Exd. J. W. Fischer.

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THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Rs. Rs. &c.

Dated January, 20th.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 20th January 1876, No. 81.

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No. 161-162.

Arrack Vat in the Madras District.—Sanctioning the writing off the accounts the sum of Rs. 150 paid to a private cooper for repairing the —.

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