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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 348 Press Mis.

123-124

Dated 11 — 2 — 1867.

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No. 123. Read the following letter from the Sub-Collector of Tanjore, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Negapatam, 26th January 1867 :—

1. Before sending in bills for salary and allowances due to me since the beginning of October, I have the honor to request a re-consideration by the Government of that part of their Order of the 2nd October 1866, No. 2,638, Revenue Department, conveyed in paragraph 7, requiring the refund of the extra tentage drawn by me during my residence on the Pulneys.

2. If the Government intended this refund as an arbitrary fine or penalty, in addition to that of deprivation of office and the pecuniary loss therein involved, I must of necessity bow to their will; but if the refund was ordered on the ground that I was not entitled to draw any extra tentage at all while on the hills, I venture, with reference to paragraph 6 of the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue,* to request the Government to consider me entitled to extra tentage on the Pulneys for two months in each year, and to modify their Order accordingly. This would not only be in accordance with the practice hitherto sanctioned in the Madura, and, I believe, in other districts, but in point of fact I had public duties to perform, which necessitated my presence on the hills, access to which entailed very considerable expense.

* 29th October.

3. As an instance in point, I may mention that in 1863 I only joined the district towards the end of May. After making the Jummahbundy of the low country portion of the division, in order to complete that of the hills within the close of the Fusly, I was obliged to march, by a very steep and rough tract, direct from Pulney to Poombary on the upper hills, to distribute the Puttahs there. On that occasion I ruined a favorite mare that was worth to me all the money involved in this refund, and in other respects the trip must have cost me, to say nothing of severe physical exertion, a vast deal more than the extra tentage covered. I beg the Government to consider whether it is just that I should now be retrenched.

No. 124. ORDER THEREON, 11th February 1867, No. 348.

Miscellaneous.

1. The Government resolve so far to modify their Order of 2nd October 1866, No. 2,638, as to allow Mr. Vans Agnew to draw extra tentage for one month in each year, out of his time of residence on the Pulnis, that period being, they consider, ample to provide for the performance of all public duty on the hills.

2. Even had the Government accepted the Board's proposed limit of two months' residence in the year on the hills, it would by no means follow that extra tentage could be drawn for the whole time.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Governmet.

To G. Vans Agnew, Esq.
,, the Accountant General.
,, the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Tanjore Sub Collector's Office
Negapatam 26th January 1867

From

G. Vans Agnew Esqre
Sub Collector &
Tanjore

To

The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
Fort Saint George

Sir

I have the honor to request that you will be pleased to move the Government to cancel the order passed on my application for refund of the Extra-tentage drawn by me during my residence on the Palneys, and to direct the refund to be made to me.

Before sending in Bills for salary and allowances due to me, since the beginning of October, I have the honor to request a reconsideration by the Government of that part of their order of the 2nd October 1866 & 2365 Revr Dept conveyed in para 7 requiring the refund of the Extra-tentage drawn by me during my residence on the Palneys.

If the Government intended this refund as an arbitrary fine or penalty in addition to that of deprivation of office and the pecuniary loss therein involved I must of necessity bow to their will, but if the refund was ordered on the ground that I was not entitled to draw any Extra-tentage at all while on the hills, I ventured, with reference to para 6 of the Proceedings of the Board

Copy sent to Board 29.1.67

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In Govt. have fully considered the facts of this case & must decline to grant the prayer.

Mr Agnew had by acquiescence in the rule permitting a 2 months residence on the hills, 24 hrs to have it done. It was by no means forbidden that Extra tentage could be drawn for the whole of such residence. Putting Mr Agnew's case, his absence of a fortnight, & of the rare occasions of public duty requiring his presence on the hills, does not [illegible]

Sir,

I have the honor to convey to
the Govt. the Petition of the Inhabitants
of Kallikulam, praying that the Govt. will
be pleased to direct that the Ryots of
that village may be allowed to pay the
Assessment on their Lands in Grain
instead of Money, as they have hitherto
done, and as they are now required to do.

I have also the honor to forward
a Petition from the Ryots of Tirupuvanam
praying that the Assessment on their Lands
may be reduced.

Your most obedt. Servt.

[illegible]
Collr.

Collectorate
Dindigul
15th Novr. 1855.

The Govt. having, as it seems to me, very
properly ignored the existence of any rule by
wh. Collrs. could delay away two months from
their proper area of their ordinary work,
the only way in wh. Mr. Agnew's present request
could be met, would be by defining by
pencil, the number of days required for
the settlement of the Kallikulam villages; for that,
in fact, would be the only public duty
to be performed on the Railway Works by
the Sub Collector in person - But such a
definition would be scarcely practicable.
The settlement of the Shevaroy Hills
used to occupy 30 or 40 days -

Assuming the same
number of days for
the Railway in this
Sub division of
Madura, we
can hardly suppose
that Mr. Agnew's
representation
of his requirements
will extend to a
period in his case,
and to comply with
his request on any
broader one, would be
a modification of the G.O.
wh. I could not make.

W.

Let a minute be recorded
that the Govt. require
such Explanation as any
Assist. Engineer may
think fit for his
conduct. & that direction thereon
be communicated to him.

V.D.

Let the Petitioners be informed that
their Petition cannot be complied with.

Let the Petition of the Ryots of Tirupuvanam
be referred to the Collr. for Report
& Opinion, having regard to the
circumstances stated in the Petition.
It is not for the Govt. to direct him
all Extra Establishment. This
should be done at the time of reading the Govt.
Order of Dec. 66. & then that it also
fixed the Rates. I think some modification
at the time of the Settlement would be
both reasonable & would lead to
Complaints & general Petitions. Let this

No 123-124

Rec: 1867. Dept. Pro of Govt. for Febry:
No. 246.

From the Dist
Collectr of Rev:
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Dated 26th May
Received 29th 1867.

Under the circumstances represented requests consideration of that part of G.O. requiring the refund of the extra Centage drawn by him during his attendance on the Pulwaya.—
No 348-11 Feby

Hd Qrs 348 2nd Lieut Captain & Quartermaster Thompson 2nd Regt N.I. No 2038. &c. &c. &c. Requests Rs 2-8 his Centage drawn by him during the time he was in charge of the Camp Equipage &c. at Pulwaya, Cal. Hannah Kuli Khan &c. &c. during the Campaign in Yuli Public Rks 33 &c. &c.

His application is recommended by the Brigadier, who adds that the Officer in question was in charge of the Camp Equipage &c. at Pulwaya from 12th to 22nd January 1867.

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