

Revenue (1897) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS SERIES.

G.O., No. 2207

DATED 3rd May.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Recording with remarks B.P. forwarding
orders on the Cuddalore Collector's letter reporting
on the steps taken regarding the improvement
of the marketing of the means relief scheme
at Gammadamadu.

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From
 The Board of Revenue
 Revenue Settlement, Land
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 Madras
 Order No. 2207 of 30 May 1897
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2. Para 2 of the Prop. will be
 transferred to the P. W. Dept for
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SUBJECT.

Passing orders on the Cuddapah
 Collector's letter reporting on the
 steps taken regarding the
 improvement of the working of
 the weavers' relief scheme at
 Jam in Alam adigh.

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From Mr. R. R.

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Deputy Collector

Jammalamadugu

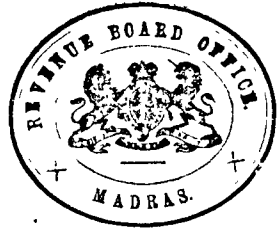
To

The Collector of Cuddapah

Sir

I have the honor to bring to your notice the great inconvenience felt at the weavers' relief office, Jammalamadugu, owing to the absence of a set of suitable scales and weights. As proper weights are not available, stones weighed against standard weights are being used, but these cannot be good weights as they are liable to chip off by constant use, and thus lose weight. This is not only causing great hardship to the weavers as every tola of short weight in the cloth is subjected to fine and is liable also to be overrated from the stone weights having lost weight yesterday, during the examination of the stock by the Committee,

Yours



Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

(Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture.)

Dated 17th April 1897.

No. 2847 Miscellaneous.

Read

the following letter from the Collector of Cuddalore dated 10th April 1897 Ref in Cno. 7290 of 96.
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With reference to para 2 of B.O. No. 2595^X

This dated 7th April 1897, I have the honor to inform you that I have received no intimation from the Deputy Collector Jammalmadugu about the inadequacy of the establishment. In para 10 of B.O. No. 474 dated 31st December 1896, the Board, while sanctioning the scale of establishment proposed by Mr. Forbes, remarked that it must be clearly understood that the Deputy Collector is to devote his personal attention to the investigation of the question whether the staff is not larger than experience may show to be required. This instruction has been carefully borne in mind in working the scheme and the establishment which the Deputy Collector has been applying from time to time with reference to actual needs have been sanctioned by me. The establishment asked for and sanctioned by me is noted in the margin.

X Cno. 2083
21/4/97

X Cno. 3085/97

(in case)
21/4/97

2 appraisers on Rs 20
Each
1 Jammalmadugu on Rs 15
2 attendants on Rs 7
Each.

* No of sets of scales and weights

Officers
Jammalmadugu
Jammalmadugu
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great differences were noticed between the weights notes down by the appraisers and those found out by the committee. There is reason to believe that the difference were due mainly to the bad scales and stone weights in use. It is highly desirable both in the interest of Government and the weavers that good scales and weights should be used. An application for supply was submitted so far back as December 1896, and the Superintendent of Public works workshop was requested to furnish them, but that officer has not yet supplied them in spite of remainder. I request therefore that sanction may be accorded to purchase 8 sets of scales and weights as noted in the margin from an European firm in Madras. The favour of very early reply is solicited

I have to
(Sd) J. Rangarao
By Collector

(True copy)
(Sd) P. E. Roberts
For Collector

(True copy)
Finance Secretary

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2 I am, however, of opinion that the evils complained of by the Correspondent in the Madras Mail, if really true—about which I have called for a full report—are due more to the want of a managing officer on the spot to supervise the work of the Subordinate Staff. In my fortnightly narrative for the first fortnight of February printed in B.P. No. 184 dated 3rd March 1897 (page 7), I reported as follows:—

"The abolition of the post of Circle Inspector is reported to be causing much inconvenience in working the scheme. The Deputy Tahsildar appointed to relieve the Tahsildar of his ordinary duties and who has been put in immediate charge of the scheme is not able to be always present, as he has to discharge the ordinary duties of the Tahsildar. He cannot afford time to carefully watch and prevent the commission of fraud by the subordinate establishment of appraisers, paymasters and storekeepers. Constant supervision over these men is absolutely necessary to get them to work properly all through the day; and the absence of a supervising manager on the spot is reported to be much felt. I request therefore, that the sanction for the appointment of the Circle Inspector which was cancelled by Government may be revised.

revised considering the large interest involved, I request early orders. In the narrative for the second fortnight printed in B.P. No. 207 dated 9th March 1897 I again urged the necessity for the appointment of a Circle Inspector to be in immediate charge of the weaver's relief scheme at Jammalamadugu as the work was on the increase, and added that the immediate presence throughout the day of a responsible officer is absolutely necessary from all points of view. The monetary interest of Government is considerable and I think it is false economy not to have a responsible Inspector always on the work. The Board supported my opinions and Government has sanctioned the appointment of a special Deputy Collector for the Secan Districts and a special Deputy Tahsildar on No 120 for each District vide G.O. No 194 D.O. dated 24th March 1897. These officers have only recently joined and it remains to be seen how far they will be able to secure efficiency in the management of the scheme. So far as this District is concerned, the Deputy Tahsildar will have to travel over the affected taluqs—four in number at present—and under proper arrangements he can only spend only one week in each taluk every month. This does not remove the evil complained of by me regarding the necessity for the location of an officer on the spot to supervise the staff of appraisers & paymasters

3. With reference to para 3 of B.D. under reply, I beg to forward herewith a copy of Mr. Rangarao's letter Ref. on Car No 1103 of 97 dated 24th March 1897 in which he for the first time intimated to me about the non supply of scales indented for by him through the Treasury Deputy Collector in December 1896. I immediately wrote to Messrs. Baker & Co for a price list; but the long pendency of the correspondence between the Treasury Deputy Collector and the Superintendent of Public Works shops having been brought to my notice I asked that office either to supply the scales immediately or to instruct Messrs. Baker & Co to supply the scales without further delay. I am awaiting his reply.

4. The instructions in para 1 of the D.O. will be duly attended to when the drafts quoted therein are received; but I desire to state that I do not consider that relief workers have been at all ^{badly} treated hitherto in this District. The revised task tables referred to in para 4 will be submitted as soon as they are received from the new Special Deputy Collector who is now in Doodhattur. I have already brought the remissness of Deputy Collectors M. R. Py. M. V. Narainasamy Pillai and Rangarao to the Board's notice in my letter Ref. on C. No 1087 dated 5th April 1897.

5. It seems perhaps desirable that the Board should be informed of what I believed to be the cause of the Reverend

Howard Campbell writing his prolonged criticism of the weavers' relief scheme on 31st March 1897. The facts are that I camped in jam malamadugu from 21st to 26th March inspecting the relief works at Gori-gamur and Mallam Chani and surrounding villages and enquiring into the working of the weavers' relief scheme. During my stay I saw and had long conversation with the Reverend Howard Campbell and his brother Dr. Campbell on more than one occasion about the subject of relief of distress. Among other things, I told them that I was dissatisfied with the state of the two works, especially as regards kitchen accommodation and shade for workers, and that I had ordered large sheds to be put up roofed with palmyra leaves brought from the Shadiya plantation. Instead of this being stated

stated in the newspaper letter, I find the subject alluded to thus: - "As palmyra leaves are to be had at a village 5 or 6 miles off, two or three good large sheds ought to be erected at once". But as regards the weavers' relief scheme, I explained that I was of opinion that the weavers were getting better wages in several cases than Government intended that they should get and explained that the tasks would be revised whenever I could get the revised task table from the Deputy Collector, who I understood was making experiments in Proddatur. I informed the Board in my letter Ref on C No. $\frac{7290}{Rev}$ of 96 dated 29th March 1897, of some statistics of weavers' earnings that I had verified. The criticisms in the Enail article are intended to create the impression that the weavers are not being well treated. I may inform the.

the Board that I received no complaint by any weavers or by any one on their behalf and that neither D. Campbell who is personally connected with the scheme nor his brother, the mail correspondent made any complaint. My belief is that the weavers were never better off. If they receive full employment and regular payment and all appear to me to be happy and contented and in good condition.

6. With reference to the concluding para of the Board's Proceedings under reply, I have the honour to state that the 10 hours day was adopted by the Deputy Collector Mr. K. Narayanasami Pillay without any sanction. The first report he made to me about it was in his letter bis No. $\frac{114}{7}$ dated 25th March 1897 received in my office on 28th March

March and forwarded to the Board
already with my endorsement Reference
on C No ⁷²⁹⁰₂₁₆ of 96 dated 5th April
1897.

Resolution

Circle Inspectors, ^{who have been sanctioned in G.O 216 of 97} and other relief officers
should inspect the rural tracts of each
taluk and place all weavers, whom
they ^{consider} ~~wish~~ to require such treatment,
on relief. The Deputy Tahsildar should
confine himself to supervising the work
of the paying, appraising and storing
Departments at Jam in lamadugu,
Proddatur and Puttinendla and at
any other stations where depots may be
hereafter be opened. He should con-
duct experiments to test the suitability
of the tasks, loss of yarn by wastage,
and gain of weight by sizing, so that he
may be in a position to give informa-
-tion and help to the Collectors and the
Special

Special Deputy Collector in drawing up
a proper task-table
2. The attention of Government will be
drawn to the delay in the supply of
weighing machines by the Public Works
Department. Meanwhile the Collector
will be authorised to purchase such
machines, as the Public Works Depart-
-ment are unable to supply, in the
open market.

(True copy and Extract)

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Famine Secretary.

To
The Collector of Cuddapah
The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.

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