Revenue (1897) Department.

PRESS SERIES.

G.O., No. 829

Dated 30th September 1897.

[Despatch Abstract.]

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The Hon. Sir Henry Bliss K.C.I.E.
The Hon. Mr Grose C.I.E.

15 SEP 97

From The Secretary to the Commission of Salt, Abkari & Sep. Revenue

Mis. No. 3860

Dated 2nd September 1897

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For Orders

Reference is solicited to the H. M.'s ~~remarks~~ notes under G.O. No. 4474 of 26th August 1897. Assuming that of the six peons estimated for by the Board, three will be of the first grade & three of the second grade, the total cost for every four hours or part of four hours will be Rs 1.7.9 and for twenty four hours Rs 8.14.6 or Rs 9 in round figures. The Railway fare for the round trip, in the case of men from Ennore, will be Rs 1.8.0 or Rs 1.11.0 according as they travel by the local or mail trains. If the men were away from Ennore for twenty four hours, the total cost to the importer will be less than Rs 11, which certainly does not seem excessive.

For orders as to whether the Scale already proposed by the H. M. may be

SUBJECT.

Reporting to Government in reply to a reference from it, that half a dozen salt peons from Ennore etc. Circles might be required for overtime Customs work on rare occasions

15/9. 20/9/97

Sanctioned

That the sum is small and that the services of these men will ~~only~~ be required but seldom is all the further reason why Govt. shd avoid putting this exceptional charge on the Port.

AH
17/9/97

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The charge won't be "on the Port", but on the trade — I don't see anything unreasonable in making the trade pay the cost of concessions as to working hours granted for its convenience. The scale I suggested is very moderate & as little as it wd. be fair to give the men — I should sanction it

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REVENUE BOARD OFFICE MADRAS.

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

(Separate Revenue.)

Dated 2nd September 1897.

Mis No. 3860.

Read Government Order, Revenue Mis No. 4474 dated 26th August 1897

Resolution.

The Board begs to report with reference to the Government Order read above that half a dozen men might be required and that only on rare occasions.

(True Extract)

Commissioner

Assistant Secretary

To

The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.

Copy to the Collector of Sea Customs,
Madras.

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Read again G.O. No 4474 dy 26th Aug/97
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Please see G.O. No 829 dy 30-9-97 regarding salt peons from Emmore etc. for overtime customs work in Madras, should not the words manufacturing & non-manufacturing be interchanged.

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The words have been interchanged.
Please correct G.O. 829 dy 30.9.97 accordingly
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2. The necessary Notifn regarding the alteration in the scale of ~~fees for~~ overtime allowance ~~work~~ should be published in the Fort Saint George Gazette.

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G.O., No. 829, 30th September 1897.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Read—again the following G.O., Mis. No. 4474, Revenue, dated 26th August 1897 :—

Read—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Separate Revenue), Mis. No. 3423, dated 9th August 1897 :—

Read—letter from the Collector of Sea Customs, Madras, No. 4891-G., dated 13th July 1897.

Abstract.—Requesting permission for the employment of temporary men at the expense of the applicants for overtime work when such may be necessary, and to issue instructions to the Inspector in charge of the salt factories at Ennore to supply peons whenever they are required.

Resolution—Mis. No. 3423, dated 9th August 1897.

The Chamber of Commerce brought to notice recently a case in which permission for landing coal on the beach in Madras after office hours was refused by the Collector, although the matter was one of urgent importance and the Collector has been vested with discretion to grant such permission on good cause being shown (*vide* Rule 7, clause (*e*) on page 46 of the pamphlet of Customs Notifications). The reason given was a satisfactory one and the concession might well have been granted, but it was explained by the Collector that he was unable to exercise the discretionary powers vested in him owing to the sanctioned staff of tide-waiters and peons being insufficient to provide a proper guard for a special case of this sort. It appears that for this reason the powers conferred by the notification referred to above have remained a dead letter and are incapable of being exercised. The Board did not think that this is right and in view to putting the Collector in a better position to deal with exceptional cases suggested that a guard of peons might be obtained from the factories at Ennore in the off season at the cost of the applicant for overtime work if a few hours' notice were given. The depôt or Town Circle could probably supply a guard at other seasons.

2. The Collector accepts this suggestion and now requests that orders may be issued to the Inspector at Ennore accordingly. The rate at which the services of the peons are to be remunerated has not, however, been settled. Under the rules relating to overtime work in the Customs Department (*vide* paragraph 3, clause (*c*) of G.O., No. 512, Revenue, dated 2nd July 1890, and G.O., No. 132, Revenue, dated 8th February 1892), they would be entitled to one-fourth of a day's pay for every hour of overtime work; but the Board considers that in view of the inconvenience and hardship to which men sent from Ennore will necessarily be put, this rate is inadequate in their case and recommends that sanction be accorded to the charge of a whole day's pay for work done after office hours and before midnight and an additional day's pay for any work done after that hour, *plus*, in any case, railway fare from and to Ennore. If the men are supplied from the depôt or town the same rates less railway fares might be allowed. Of course, it would rest with the Inspectors to state whether they could supply a guard.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) EDMUND MILLETT,
Assistant Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
" Collector of Sea Customs, Madras.

Order—Mis. No. 4474, Revenue, dated 26th August 1897.

The Board is requested to report how many men are likely to be required on each occasion on which the time for the landing or shipping of goods may be extended. This information is required to enable Government to decide whether the overtime allowance would be too heavy a burden on the trade in case the scale of allowance is enhanced.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue (Separate Revenue).

Read—also the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Separate Revenue), Mis. No. 3860, dated 2nd September 1897 :—

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Resolution—Mis. No. 3860, dated 2nd September 1897.

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(Signed) EDMUND MILLETT,
Assistant Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
Copy to the Collector of Sea Customs, Madras.

Order—No. 829, Revenue, dated 30th September 1897.

Separate Revenue No. 85.

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(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue (Separate Revenue).
" the Accountant-General.

Exd. Shaik Karim.

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