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[Despatch Abstract.]

Indent

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Messrs ~~W. R. and P. R.~~ and Sons
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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following papers :—

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G.O., Mis. No. 145, Educational, dated 18th March 1907.

ABSTRACT.—Requesting the Director of Public Instruction to submit an indent for the purchase of surveying apparatus for use in Government Training schools under the charge of the Inspector of European and Training Schools.

II

Letter—from the Hon'ble Mr. T. T. LOGAN, B.A., Acting Director of Public Instruction.

To—the Secretary to Government, Educational Department.

Dated—the 4th June 1907.

No.—Ref. on C. No. 897.

With reference to G.O., Mis. No. 145, Educational, dated 18th March 1907, I have the honour to submit an indent in duplicate with eight spare copies for "plane tables" and other surveying apparatus required for the use of the Government training schools for masters.

2. The charge can be met from the provision made in the current year's budget for furniture, etc., for training schools.

Order—No. 447, Educational, dated 13th July 1907.

In view of the simple nature of the instruments required, and of the use to which it is intended to put them, the Government are pleased to sanction, in modification of G.O., No. 145, Educational, dated 18th March 1907, the proposal of the Director of Public Instruction made in his R.C. No. 912, dated 26th February 1907, to purchase the instruments specified in the indent from Messrs. Orr & Sons, Madras, at a cost not exceeding Rs. 528.

(True Extract.)

H. D. TAYLOR,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction.
" Accountant-General (through the Financial Department).

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., No. 447, EDUCATIONAL, DATED
13TH JULY 1907.

[SUBJECT.—*Local purchase of stores of European manufacture.*]

Mr. Orr came to see me on the question—generally—of the local purchase of locally manufactured stores and with special reference to a small order for mathematical instruments required recently for European schools.

Listed prices are, as has been pointed out by the Secretary of State, no criterion as to actual prices paid by the Secretary of State. Hence the difficulty in deciding whether local purchase is as cheap.

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H. D. TAYLOR—4-6-07.

From the Director of Public Instruction, dated 4th June 1907, No. 897.

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Vide pages 5 and 6 of G.O., No. 145, Educational, dated 18th March 1907, and the papers in the confidential cover. (These were available only on 19th June 1907.)

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“First, when for any special reason it may be more economical to do so;

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“Third, when the articles are perishable.”

4. In paragraph 28 of the same resolution, the policy of the Government of India in regard to the purchase in India of articles of local manufacture required for the public service was expressed in the following terms:—

“The orders of the Secretary of State make it incumbent on all officers of Government requiring stores of European manufacture to obtain them by indenting on the Secretary of State, and permit of the purchase in the local market of articles made in Europe or America only under the special circumstances mentioned in paragraph 3 of this resolution. The Governor-General in Council therefore desires again to invite the special attention of Local Governments to the expediency of supplying the wants of Government by the purchase in the local market of articles of *bona fide* local manufacture. The Government of India is desirous to give the utmost encouragement to every effort to substitute for articles now obtained from Europe articles of *bona fide* local manufacture or of indigenous origin; and where articles of European and of Indian manufacture do not differ materially in price and quality, the Government would always be disposed to give the preference to the latter; and the Governor-General in Council desires to remind all officers of Government that there is no reason why articles manufactured in India should not be obtained locally even although the raw material necessary to their manufacture may have been originally imported from Europe. It is most desirable to bear in mind the distinction between articles of European manufacture and articles produced or worked up in India from imported material; the former should not, save in exceptional cases, be purchased in the local market, while the latter should by preference be purchased locally whenever the quality is sufficiently

good, and the price not higher than the cost of laying down the imported article. There are many articles which may not be immediately obtained in the local market, but which can be made in the event of Government encouraging the manufacture.”

5. In resolution No. 2586, dated 23rd May 1889, the Government of India directed that the following be substituted for paragraph 3 of the resolution of the G.O., No. 358, Financial, dated 8th June 1889. 10th January 1883:—

“3. The special cases in which, with the previous sanction of the Government of India or of the Local Government, as the case may be, stores of European manufacture may be obtained in India are—

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“Second, when stores indented for from England have not arrived, or when a sudden emergency has arisen, and, in either case, only if serious inconvenience to the public service would be caused by waiting for the stores from England;

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6. With their resolution No. 5973, dated 29th November 1889, the Government of India circulated an extract from the despatch of the Secretary of State for India, No. 144, Financial, dated 4th July 1889, on the subject of the purchase of stores manufactured in India:—

“... if the departments of India can be accustomed to use articles made in that country when of an ordinary character and not needing special inspection during manufacture, they might be procured of sufficiently good quality, even though somewhat inferior to those which would be obtained by paying a higher price in England; and thus a perceptible diminution might be made in the payments in this country. I commend these points to the very earnest attention of your Excellency's Government.”

7. In communicating the above extract, the Government of India requested that the desirability of introducing and extending the use of stores manufactured in India in preference to imported stores might be always borne in mind and the substitution effected whenever feasible.

8. In resolution No. 2650, dated 25th June 1891, the Government of India, with the view of encouraging local industries and the development of technical education, modified as a tentative measure the orders prohibiting the local purchase of manufactured articles of iron and steel made up from imported materials. The Government of India observed—

“In so doing, the Governor-General in Council desires it to be clearly understood that this relaxation of existing rules is sanctioned solely in the hope of thereby effecting economy in the public administration, both by actual saving in the cost of articles purchased locally and by avoiding the delays that are sometimes inevitable when the articles have to be procured by indent on England. It is not intended to sanction thereby a procedure in any degree of a protective nature, and firms that may obtain orders under this resolution must be distinctly warned that no claim for compensation of any sort will be admitted in the event of its being found necessary to discontinue the practice of inviting tenders in India.”

9. The Government of India also appended to their resolution a list of articles for which tenders might be invited from local firms and said—

Paragraph 4, *ibid.*

“It is not necessary that there should be an absolutely rigid adherence to the items specified. Tenders for any articles of the nature indicated in the list may be invited, but it should be understood that articles on which very little labour in India is required can be best procured through the Secretary of State. It is also intended that the relaxation of the rules regarding local manufacture shall be limited to the less important supplies, *e.g.*, bridges and roofs of small span required for the Buildings and Roads and Irrigation Branches of the Public Works Department and for Municipalities and District Boards. In the case of railways under construction, the whole of the necessary supplies, as far as can be foreseen, will continue as heretofore to be procured by indent on the Secretary of State. The relaxation of the rules will refer only to articles the certain want of which could not be anticipated and delay in supply of which would involve loss in some respect.”

Paragraph 5, on page 3 *ibid.*

10. It was further laid down that in all cases of local purchase the following conditions should be ensured :—

(1) that the articles locally supplied were not imported in India in a finished or partially-finished state ;

(2) that the price was not in excess of that at which similar articles could be obtained by indent on the Secretary of State ; and

(3) that the quality was not inferior to that of English supplies—*vide* paragraph 5 of the Resolution on page 3 of G.O., No. 604, Financial, dated 17th July 1891.

11. In their later Resolution No. 1426, dated 25th March 1895, the Government of India again referred to the subject and desired that the fullest use should be made, subject to the prescribed precautions, of the liberty which was given to procure supplies in India—G.O., No. 984 W., dated 26th April 1895.

12. In Resolution No. 2587, dated 9th June 1898, the Government of India G.O., No. 554, Financial, dated 22nd June 1898. circulated a revised and considerably amplified list of articles of iron and steel manufactured in India from imported materials which might be purchased locally, and dispensed with the condition limiting such purchase to articles, "the certain want of which could not be anticipated and the delay in the supply of which might involve loss". They also circulated a list of firms permitted to tender for the supply of articles of iron and steel of local manufacture—G.O., No. 554, Financial, dated 22nd June 1898.

13. In the following year (Resolution No. 5504-S.R., dated 8th December 1899) the Government of India directed the addition of "Railway carriages, goods waggons and underframes, etc.," to the list of articles which might be purchased in India—G.O., No. 1383, Financial, dated 19th December 1899.

G.O., No. 515, Financial, dated 9th August 1904—page 3.

14. In his despatch to the Government of India, No. 180, Financial, dated 16th October 1903, the Secretary of State observed —

" I am not satisfied that the general policy which has been recognised as applicable to the purchase of stores has been carried out as completely as is to be desired. That policy, for the furtherance of which the annual returns have been required by my predecessors, is that, as far as possible, the purchase of stores of local manufacture should be encouraged, but that stores which are manufactured outside India should be procured through the Stores department of this office, except when the stores are perishable, or local purchase is more economical, or when (through the non-arrival of stores ordered from England or other urgent reasons) it is considered necessary to depart from the usual practice in order to avoid inconvenience to the public service. The information furnished in your letter under reply does not point to any progress in the desired direction."

Ibid.

15. In forwarding an extract of the above despatch the Government of India stated —

"His Excellency in Council also hopes that the observations made by the Secretary of State for India in his despatch of the 16th October 1903, about the policy of Government in regard to the purchase of stores, will be borne in mind. As desired by the Secretary of State for India, the purchase in India of articles of European manufacture should be limited to the cases specified in the despatch. A full explanation of the circumstances in which any departure from this policy was considered necessary in any particular case should be given in column 7 of the prescribed form."

16. In G.O., No. 128, Financial, dated 11th February 1905, the Local Government observed that such articles as soft soap, turpentine, linseed oil, coke, spirits of wine and red oxide of paint could be obtained of local manufacture and of good quality, and all departments requiring these articles were required to purchase them and similar articles of local manufacture which could be obtained of good quality in the local market.

17. As directed in G.O., No. 145, Educational, dated 18th March 1907, the Director of Public Instruction has forwarded an indent on the Director-General of Stores, India Office, for the mathematical instruments referred to in that order. Orders are solicited whether the indent may be forwarded to the Director-General of Stores.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—24-6-07.

Orr & Sons have no case. After the result of the inspection given in the confidential cover, Government could not very well buy their instruments. Quality must always be considered.

C. A. SOUTER—25-6-07.

Mr. E. W. Orr saw me, not as representing Messrs. P. Orr & Sons, but as Chairman of the Trades Association. I was unable to inform him off-hand why the instruments of Messrs. P. Orr & Sons were rejected. He referred to Mr. Grant Burk's visit to the workshops of the firm, but not to the subsequent correspondence. As the Director-General of Stores informed Messrs. P. Orr & Sons direct as to the result of the examination of instruments forwarded by that firm, Mr. Orr could not have been in ignorance of the real cause for non-purchase of the instruments from his firm. I do not think that any definite reply to Mr. Orr is necessary.

made.

G.S.F.

This is the difficulty.

G. S. F[ORBES].

The general instructions of India as to the preference to be given to articles worked up in the local market, if of satisfactory quality, will be observed.

H. D. TAYLOR—26-6-07.

G. S. F[ORBES]—27-6-07.

* Returned to the Public Works Department accordingly.
K.R.—29-6-07.

This note may be printed for reference. The confidential cover will * be returned to Public Works Department.

H. D. TAYLOR—28-6-07.

The indent submitted by the Director of Public Instruction will be forwarded to the Director-General of Stores, India Office.

2. A draft is placed below for approval.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—29-6-07.

C. A. SOUTER—1-7-07.

I circulate this with reference to the foregoing note. The indent is sent to the Director-General of Stores with reference to the Honourable Member's orders on page 6 of G.O., No. 145, dated 18th March 1907 ; but attention is called to Mr. Romilly's note at "A" on page 6 of that file. The instruments in this case are not intended for actual survey purposes requiring mathematical accuracy, but only to teach "elements of surveying" as part of the mathematical course of studies for training schools. Please see extract from Mr. Stone's letter on pages 1 and 2 of the Director of Public Instruction's letter in the file referred to.

The case appears to be one in which the orders passed might be reconsidered. No harm is likely to result from the use of the instruments for the purpose indicated even if they are not strictly accurate. The cost in India will be Rs. 528 or £35-4-0 as against £143-11-0 if purchased through the Secretary of State.

H. D. TAYLOR—2-7-07.

Very well : but I fear it may prove an inconvenient precedent.

G. S. F[ORBES]—2-7-07.

Draft please, according sanction as a special case in view of the simple nature of the instruments and the use to which it is intended to put them.

H. D. TAYLOR—4-7-07.

A draft order is submitted for approval.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—5-7-07.

C. A. SOUTER—5-7-07.

To the Financial Department u.o. for acceptance.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Draft order may be accepted in Financial. [Mr. Orr has in this connection recently sent in an application * to Government in his capacity as Chairman, Trades

Association, for the surveying apparatus being purchased locally instead of from the India Office.]

V.G.K.—9-7-07.

Perhaps Educational will add this communication to this case.

C. M. SCHMIDT—10-7-07.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Please add the current referred to.

H. D. TAYLOR—13-7-07.

From the Chairman, Madras Trades Association, dated 4th July 1907.

The current has now been added to the file. May the draft order be circulated to the Honourable Member please or may it issue?

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—12-7-07.

The order may now issue.

C. A. SOUTER—12-7-07.

Issue.

The letter from the Chairman, Trades Association, may be dealt with separately.

Please draft for approval saying that orders have already issued in regard to the specific case referred to and forwarding copy of the order.

It may, however, be pointed out to the Association that the letter assumes that the two conditions specified by the Secretary of State have been fulfilled. Whether or no this is the case is a matter of fact in regard to which the Government reserve themselves the decision.

H. D. TAYLOR—13-7-07.

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E. M. Middlemast

For Director of Public Instruction.

RS.
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Indent on Stores required for Government Training Schools for
Masters in the Madras Presidency.

MADRAS EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Indent No. , dated May 1907.

Telegraphic Code-word: _____

Revenues and Imperial Head of Account or Grant to which cost is chargeable:—

MADRAS—PROVINCIAL.

Date when the Stores are required to reach India:—

1st January 1908.

Port to which the Stores are to be shipped:—

MADRAS.

(The necessary certificates, if any, as required by existing regulations, to be inserted below.)

Item number.	Description of Stores.	Number or quantity.	ESTIMATED COST.						Remarks by Indenting Officer.	
			Rate.			Unit.	Cost.			
			£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.	
1	Plane Table, plain board, 16" × 13", mounted on tripod, with sighted alidade, level, and trough compass.	29 sets.	3	10	0	Each set.	101	10	0	G. 243, page 24.
2	Chain, Chesterman's tempered steel, light—100 links.	29	0	13	0	Each.	18	17	0	G. 222, page 27.
3	Arrows, set of 10, iron	29 sets.	0	1	0	One set of 10	1	9	0	G. 336, page 27.
4	Pickets or ranging poles, strap shoes, in three colours, 6 feet.	14½ doz.	1	10	0	Doz.	21	15	0	G. 230, page 23.
Total ..							143	11	0	

As given in W. F. Stanley & Co's Catalogue.

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Name of contractor.	Date of contract.	Actual cost.																		
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Director of Public Instruction.

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(Signature)

Inspector of European and Training Schools.

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" not be immediately obtained in the local
" market, but which can be made in the event
" of Government encouraging the manufacture."

June 358 July 28. 6 June 1889.

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6. In Resolution No. 2586, dated 23rd May 1889,
the Government of India directed that the following

be substituted for paragraph 3 of the Resolution of the 10th January 1883:--

"3. The special cases in which, with the previous sanction of the Government of India or of the local Government, as the case may be, stores of European manufacture may be obtained in India are--

"1st, when for any special reason it may be more economical to do so;

"2nd, when stores indented for from England have not arrived, or when a sudden emergency has arisen, and, in either case, only if serious inconvenience to the public service would be caused by waiting for the stores from England;

"3rd, when the articles are perishable."

Proc. 901 Fwd. 14th Decem. 1889.
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7. With ^{their} Resolution No. 5973, dated 29th November 1889, the Government of India circulated an extract from the despatch of the Secretary of State for India No. 144, Financial, dated 4th July 1889, on the subject of the purchase of stores manufactured in India:--

"x x x if the Departments in India can be accustomed to use articles made in that country when of an ordinary character and not needing special inspection during manufacture, they might be procured of sufficiently good quality, even though somewhat inferior to those which would be obtained by paying a higher price in England; and thus a perceptible diminution might be made in the payments in this country. I commend these points to the very earnest attention of your Excellency's Government."

So.

So.

8. In communicating the above extract the Government of India requested that the desirability of introducing and extending the use of stores manufactured in India in preference to imported stores might be always borne in mind and the substitution effected whenever feasible.

Proc. 604 Fwd. 17th July 1891

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9. In Resolution No. 2650, dated 25th June 1891, the Government of India, with the view of encouraging local industries and the development of technical

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technical education, modified as a tentative measure the orders prohibiting the local purchase of manufactured articles of iron and steel made up from imported materials. The Government of India observed--

"In so doing, the Governor-General in Council
" desires it to be clearly understood that
" this relaxation of existing rules is sanctioned solely in the hope of thereby effecting economy in the public administration,
" both by actual saving in the cost of articles purchased locally and by avoiding the delays that are sometimes inevitable when the articles have to be procured by indent on England. It is not intended to sanction thereby a procedure in any degree of a protective nature, and firms that may obtain orders under this Resolution must be distinctly warned that no claim for compensation of any sort will be admitted in the event of its being found necessary to discontinue the practice of inviting tenders in India."

10. The Government of India also appended to their Resolution a list of articles for which tenders might be invited from local firms and said--

"It is not necessary that there should be an absolutely rigid adherence to the items specified. Tenders for any articles of the nature indicated in the list may be invited, but it should be understood that articles on which very little labour in India is required can be best procured through the Secretary of State. It is also intended that the relaxation of the rules regarding local manufacture shall be limited to the less important supplies, e.g., bridges and roofs of small span required for the Buildings and Roads and Irrigation Branches of the Public Works Department and for Municipalities and District Boards. In the case of Railways under construction, the whole of the necessary supplies, as far as can be foreseen, will continue as heretofore to be procured by indent on the Secretary of State. The relaxation of the rules will refer only to articles the certain want of which could not be anticipated and delay in supply of which would involve loss in some respect."

11. It was further laid down that in all cases of local purchase the following conditions should be ensured:--

- (1) that the articles locally supplied were not imported in India in a finished or partially-finished state;
- (2) that the price was not in excess of that at which similar articles could be obtained by indent on the Secretary of State; and
- (3) that the quality was not inferior to that of English supplies.

vide paragraph 5 of the Resolution on page 3 of G.O. No.604, Financial, dated 17th July 1891.

12. In their later Resolution No.1426, dated 25th March 1895, the Government of India again referred to the subject and desired that the fullest use should be made, subject to the prescribed precautions, of the liberty which was given to procure supplies in India. - G.O. No.984 W., dated 26th April 1895.

13. In Resolution No.2537, dated 9th June 1898, the Government of India circulated a revised and considerably amplified list of articles of iron and steel manufactured in India from imported materials which might be purchased locally, and dispensed with the condition limiting such purchase to articles, "the certain want of which could not be anticipated and the delay in the supply of which might involve loss." They also circulated a list of firms permitted to tender for the supply of articles of iron and steel of local manufacture. - G.O. No.554, Financial, dated 22nd June 1898.

14. ^{In the following year} In Resolution No.5504 S.R., dated 8th December 1899) the Government of India directed the addition of "Railway carriages, goods waggons and under frames etc." to the list of articles which might be purchased in India. - G.O. No.1383, Financial, dated 19th December 1899.

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of para. 984 W of 26.4.95.
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-page 3.

15. In his despatch to the Government of India,
No. 180, Financial, dated 16th October 1903, the
Secretary of State observed--

"x x x I am not satisfied that the general
" policy which has been recognised as appli-
" cable to the purchase of stores has been
" carried out as completely as is to be de-
" sired. That policy, for the furtherance of
" which the annual returns have been required
" by my predecessors, is that, as far as
" possible, the purchase of stores of local
" manufacture should be encouraged, but that
" stores which are manufactured outside India
" should be procured through the Stores depart-
" ment of this office, except when the stores
" are perishable, or local purchase is more
" economical, or when (through the non-arrival
" of stores ordered from England or other
" urgent reasons) it is considered necessary
" to depart from the usual practice in order
" to avoid inconvenience to the public ser-
" vice. The information furnished in your
" letter under reply does not point to any
" progress in the desired direction. x x."

16. In forwarding an extract of the above des-
patch, the Government of India stated--

"His Excellency in Council also hopes that the
" observations made by the Secretary of State
" for India in his despatch of the 16th
" October 1903, about the policy of Govern-
" ment in regard to the purchase of stores,
" will be borne in mind. As desired by the
" Secretary of State for India, the purchase
" in India of articles of European manufac-
" ture should be limited to the cases speci-
" fied in the despatch. A full explanation of
" the circumstances in which any departure
" from this policy was considered necessary
" in any particular case should be given in
" column 7 of the prescribed form. x x."

17. In G.O. No. 128, Financial, dated 11th Feb-
ruary 1905, ~~it was said~~ ^{the local Govt. observed} that such articles as soft
soap, turpentine, linseed oil, coke, spirits of
wine and red oxide of paint could be obtained of
local manufacture and of good quality, ^{and} all depart-
ments requiring these articles ^{were} required to
purchase them and similar articles of local manu-
facture which ^{could} ~~can~~ be obtained of good quality ^{in the}
local market.

18. As directed in G.O. No. 145, Educational,
dated

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dated 18th March 1907, the D.P.I. has forwarded an indent on the Director General of Stores, India Office, for the mathematical instruments referred to in that order. Orders are solicited whether the indent may be forwarded to the Director General of Stores.

11 ²⁰⁰24.6.07 ^{Rec.} for & for have no case.

After the result of the inspection given in the confidential comm. sent. Could not very well buy their instruments.

Quality must always be considered.

Oct
28.6.7.

Mr G. W. Orr saw me, not as representing Dept P. Orr - Lons, but as Chairman of the Trades Association. I was unable to inform him of hand why the instruments of Dept P. Orr & Lons were rejected. He referred to Mr Frank Bush on it to the workhouse of the firm - but not to the subsequent correspondence. As the D.G. of Stores informed Dept P. Orr - Lons such as to the result of the examination of instruments forwarded by that firm, he could not have been

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in ignorance of the real cause of non production
of the instruments from his firm. I do not
think that any definite reply to R.W. Gov
is necessary.

The general instruction of India as to
the preference to be given to articles worked
up in the local market, if of satisfactory
quality, will be observed.

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26.6.07

H.M. for information.

[Signature]

The Lt. Col. may be asked for opinion.

The Capt. cover will be returned to R.W. Gov

[Signature]

The incident ~~forwarded~~ submitted by the S.P.O.
will be forwarded to the D.G. of Stores, India
office.

A draft is placed below for approval.

R.D.
29.6.07

Lie
Clt

1.2.7.

I circulate this with reference to the foregoing note.

The incident is sent to D.G. Stores with reference
to the H.M. in para 6 of S.O. 145 - but
18.3.07.

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made

This is the difficulty
S/S

* Returned to P.W.D.
accordingly -

R.D.
29.6.07

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attention is called to Mr Romley's note at A'

Z. or page 6 of that file. The instruments in this case are not intended for actual survey purposes requiring mathematical accuracy, but only to teach "elements of surveying" as part of the mathematical course of studies for training schools. - please see extract from Mr Stone's letter on pages 1-2 of P.D. letter in the file referred to.

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The case appears to be one in which the above passed might be reconsidered. No harm to Wiley to result from the use of the instruments for the purpose indicated even if they are not strictly accurate. The cost under in India will be Rs 528/- or £ 36.4.0, as against £ 143.11.0 of purchased through the S. of State.

ASD 2-7-07.

HM

Very well: but I fear it may prove an inconvenient precedent

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But please... and as the value of the instruments... it is intended to put them

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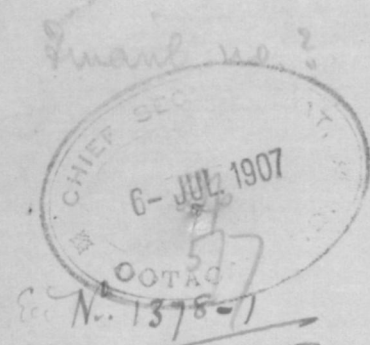
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A draft order is submitted below for approval.

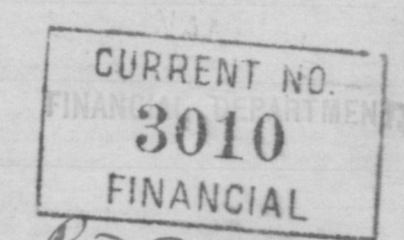
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Chs
S.T.T.

Fin. no. for acceptance.



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Regd. 7-7-07

Financial Department



Transf. to Educational.

Draft order may be accepted in Financial. [Mr. Orr has in this connection recently sent in an application to Govt in his capacity as Chairman, Trades Association, for the surveying apparatus being purchased locally instead of from the India office]

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[enc 1648 is linked]

Perhaps Mr. will add this comment to this case.

Chs
10-7-07

Fin. no. 3010-1
1-7-07

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Please add the current referred to.

enc 1648 Sol., from the Chairman, Madras Trades Association

Since removed & disposed of separately

The current has now been added to the file

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file. May the draft order be circulated to him. Please or may it issue?

RD
12.7.07

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or

The order may issue.

Col
12.7.7.

Issue

The letter from the Chamber of Commerce.

has been dealt with separately.

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It may however be pointed out to the Committee that the letter assumes that the provisions specified (the 1st & 2nd) have been fulfilled. Whether or no this is the case is a matter of fact which is not the Committee's business to decide.

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READ AGAIN G.O., No. 145 Vol., dated 18th march 1907

READ ALSO:-

C. No. 1378, From the D.P., No. 897, dated 4 6. 1907

ORDER.

No. 447, dated 13-7-1907

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In view of the simple nature of the instruments required, and of the use to which it is intended to put them, the Govt are pleased to sanction, in modification of G.O. no. 145 Educational dated 18th March 1907, the proposal of the Director of Public Instruction, made in his R. C. no. 912 dated 26th February 1907, to purchase the instruments specified in the indent from Messrs R. Carr and Sons, Madras, at a cost not exceeding Rs 528/-

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 The S. P. I.
 A Assistant General
 (thru the First Dept.)

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