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Government of Madras.

Financial DEPARTMENT.

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Fort St. George

Mint

14th January 1857

From Lt. Colt. F. C. Cotton, Engineer, Actg. Master

To G. L. Prendergast Esqr.

F. D. Birch Esqr. } Mint Committee

W. H. Bayley Esqr.

Gentlemen,

Para 1st — With reference to Extract

*Minutes of Consultation N°. 585 of the 6th December 1856, I beg to say that although the arrangement suggested by Colonel Smith C.B. and sanctioned in the Calcutta Mint, of entertaining a Class of well paid Apprentices is altogether different from the proposals made by me in my letter of the 19th September 1856, I think it is advisable to have such a grade of servants in the Madras Mint, that I do not hesitate to advocate its adoption here; requesting only that I may be allowed to make the

*terms with returned.

the payment to the Senior Class more in accordance with the rate of wages obtaining at present; as com- = pared with that is done some of the new apprentices will be better paid than the Deputy Superin- = tendents.

2nd The sum sanctioned for this new grade of servants is 170 Rupees a month which I propose to distribute as follows

4 of 20 Rupees -- 80

3 of 30 Rupees --- 90

170

I do not think that the plan proposed in Calcutta of discharging those who have served for five years, when vacancies do not exist in the Establishment to absorb them, would be an advisable measure here. If after 5 years study of the very peculiar processes of the Mint a man was dismissed he might very probably find great difficulty in providing for himself and have to begin his life again in a new trade. I would think make the appointments more sought after if the time expired apprentices were allowed the option of remaining on the pay of 30 Rupees a month, till they could find employment in some equally good or better situations, either in the Mint or out of it. The promotion might be more slow but the certainty of some provision would more than counterbalance that objection; and I hope that in making the new arrangement this permission may be granted.

3rd I would also recommend that in entertaining the apprentices now, I may be allowed to offer 4 Youths a period of only 2½ years, in order that I may give the benefit of their services to those who have been some years employed in the Mint.

4th I imagine that it is needless to say anything more in demand for the appointment of the full number that I before applied for; but I can assure your Committee that the reduction made in Calcutta, is not an economical measure. The Mint will require the services of more than I named; and as the work that would have been done by the boys I wished to portion, must be done by artificers of some kind, I can confidently state

I take that while we are having the opportunity of educating Artizans to suit our own operations, we shall pay a higher rate of wages to those who are employed.

I have the honor to be &c.

(Signed) Fred. C. Cotton
Acting Mint Master

(True Copy)

Secretary Mint Committee

Fin. Dept.
Mint Numismatic Office
21st January 1857

No 22

Sam. J. H. Battye Esq.
Secretary Mint Committee

Dy Secretary Govt.
Superintendent &c. &c. &c.
Sir,

Mint reference to Govt.

I am directed to transmit herewith for the information of the Mint Committee a Copy of a Letter No 583 Financial Dept. dated 15th Instant from the Secretary to the Govt. of India, Financial Department, on the subject of the Coinage of Gold Mohurs, and to request that the Committee will be pleased to submit their opinion on the suggestions contained in the above mentioned Letter.

I have &c.
(Signed) H. Piddington
Secretary to the Mint Committee

Fin. Dept. Letter dated 15th Jany 1857 No 13 of 1857

Para 16 C 22

1857 Dept.

In a Letter from the Secy. Mint Committee
Dated 21st January 1857 No 22

From
The Actg. Mint Master
To
The Secy. Mint Committee
No 1857
Dated 20th Jan. 1857

Proposes, with reference to Extract Minutes of Council dated 4th December 1856, certain arrangements respecting the re-assignment of Apprenticeships in the Mint, and suggests the scale of payments.

Copy to the Secy to the Govt of India 21st January 1857 No 65.

entertainment of Apprentices in the Mint Department three.

2. Colonel Cotton states his readiness to adopt the Calcutta plan, but requests to be allowed to make the payment to the Junior Class of Apprentices more in accordance with the present rate of wages in his Department; and proposes to pay 4 of his Apprentices Rupees 26 each, and 3 of them Rupees 30 each a month, the total amounting to the sum sanctioned by the Supreme Government. He also wishes that after the expiration of their Apprenticeship, the man may be allowed the option of remaining on the pay of Rupees 30 a month, till a vacancy should occur for them in the Mint, or till they be able to find suitable employment elsewhere. This proposal he considers will be an inducement to parties to engage themselves for the post of Apprentices. The Committee would beg to

to recommend this suggestion of the Deputy Mint Master for the favorable consideration of Government.

3. In para 3 Colonel Cotton suggests that 6 months who have been some years employed in the Mint, may have a period of only 2½ years apprenticeship offered them, in order that they may enjoy the benefit of their past services. This the Committee also beg to support with the request that it may meet with the approval and sanction of Government.

4. In conclusion the Committee instruct me to solicit the attention of Government to the 4th para of Colonel Cotton's letter. The observations put forward by an officer of his ability and experience regarding the economy of his plan as originally proposed, seem to be worthy of consideration; for, if there be work in his Department requiring, as he states, the entertainment of artificers of some kind

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or another, and which can be performed by apprentices. It is evident that the reduction of his original scale will not prove an economical measure, while at the same time the opportunity will be lost of rendering artizans professionally trained for Mint operations.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Secretary Mint Committee.

21st January 1856.

Fort St. George,
Mint Com. Office,

To,
The Chief Secretary
to Government.

Financial Department

No 61

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Date 31st January 1857

Read the following Letter

from the Secretary Mind Council

(Above cited 21st January/57 No 22)

The Right Honble the

Governor in Council approves

the suggestions of the Acting

Chief Justice in regard of the

salaries and conditions on

which the Apprentices shall

be employed at the

Penal Establishment and in which the Chief

and Assistant Commissioners

Commissioner Convict

resolves to submit them for

the favourable consideration

of the Supreme Government

but he will at

Con Council Chamber

Penang

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Penal Establishment

Chief Justice's Letter

dated 31st January 1857

Forwarding Rules for the

Discipline of Convicts

Read 21st February 1857

Ordered that the Superintendent

be directed to submit

Rules for the Discipline

of Convicts

Secretary

Mind Council

Penang 21st February 1857

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor in Council to request that you will submit for the consideration of this Government Rules for the Discipline of Convicts.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

Secretary to Govt

To

The Superintendent of Convicts

Penang

Penang 21st February 1857

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Recommendation of

~~the~~ the original scheme of
Mr Kirkpatrick's enquiry
by Col Cobb

Ordered that the following letter be despatched

To The Secretary to the Govt. of India

Home Dept.
31st. Jany 1857

Copy to the Select Committee Dept 31st

Accepted 20/2/57.

Financial Department

No 65

To

The Secretary to the Government of India

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 14th Nov. last, Finl. Dept. No 5023, submitting, with reference to the application of this Government for the entertainment of 24 Apprentices in the various Departments of the Madras Mint at a total cost of Rs 240 per annum, whether the Scheme adopted at the Calcutta Mint is not preferable to the one proposed for this Presidency, but meanwhile authorizing a charge of Rs 170 per month for carrying into effect which

Finl. Dept. Cons. 20th Feb. 1857 No 13 of 1857 Para 16 C 22.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Honble the Governor in Council - dated 20th Feby. 1857.

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-cur of the two plans this Government might prefer to sanction.

2nd In reply, I am directed to forward copy of a letter from the Secretary Mint Committee dated 21st inst, with its accompaniment, from which it will be seen that while the Acting Master is prepared to adopt the arrangement which obtains at Calcutta, he deems it proper to regulate the salaries of the Senior class of Apprentices more in accordance with the rates of wages obtaining here, as otherwise they would be better remunerated than the Deputy Superintendents. This they this rein he reckoned to pay four of the Apprentices at the

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3. These suggestions have met with the concurrence of the Madras Mint Committee, and I am instructed to submit them for the favorable consideration of the Government of India with the recommendation of this Government that authority may be granted for carrying them into effect.

4. In forwarding for the consideration of the Government of India the accompanying letter from the Master of the Mint, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to this Government, dated the 31st January 1857, I am desired to state, in reference to the observations contained in the 2nd paragraph of the letter from the Secretary to the Government of India in the Financial Department, dated the 6th August 1856, that the Governor in Council is of opinion that the execution ordered by the Government of India cannot be postponed without serious inconvenience.

It would be very desirable that the work that would have been done by Natives could be performed by Artificers of some kind, but the opportunity, instead of executing artizans to suit the various operations of the Mint, will be lost while the wages now paid to those employed in doing will be paid to Europeans.

Fort St George,
31st January 1857.

Jan.y 1837. Sec.t Park.a 8th Dec.r Contents

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No.1	From the Govt. of India.	6th Nov.r	Inviting the reference made to them, observing that they do not see sufficient grounds for decreasing the Capital of the Bank of Madras being raised to 50 Lacs of Rupees.
2	Order thereon	2d Dec.r	Communicated to the Secretary reference to the memorials forwarded by him and to the Govt. Directors of the Bank of Madras.
3	From the Govt. of India.	6th Nov.r	On the explanation furnished by this Govt. regarding the appointment of a fixed Establishment to the Committee for investigating the efficiency of the Estabt. of Public Offices at Madras, on a Salary of 350 Rupees, for one year.
4	Order thereon	2d Nov.r	Communicated to the Committee for investigating Public Estabts. and to the Offices of Accts. and Audit.

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1830

From the Govt. of India
June No 13 of 1835
Para 16 & 22.

Copy Rd. from Secretary
Mr. Melvill
June 1835

To the Secretary to the
Govt. of India

Copies Rd. from Secretary
Mr. Melvill
Dec.r 1835
Referred to Sec.t Park.a
Dec.r 8th 1835
Ans.d 12th Dec.r 1835

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5.	From the Accountant General	25th Nov.	Enclosing to state from the Books on the Establishment Tangible Security for the due and correct performance of duties connected with Surveyorship and Boundaries
6	Order Thereon	3rd Dec.	Officers of the Department and Bodies that the Country be taken in Communication with the H.C. Collector and assure accepted that such as are their opinion in Tangible
7	From the Govt. of India	25th Oct.	Enclosing a Copy of a Minute, the Revenue of 1856-7 the Collection of the Office of the Accountant General.
8	Order Thereon	5th Nov.	Communicated to the Accountant General and to the Civil Auditor.
9.	From the Chamber of Commerce	26th Nov.	With reference to the Resolution of the Accountant General of this date of the Collector and assure accepted that such as are their opinion in Tangible delay in granting Certificates of Character, submit Several enclosing the opinions
10.	Order Thereon	1st Dec.	of that Officer also Copy Communicated to the Accountant General for his remarks.
11.	From the Civil Committee	1st Dec.	Report that the Civil be authorized to purchase two Jars of Ivy Lead for the use of the Civil Station Gaol of Ootacamund Observing doubts to comply with the Indent referred.
12	Order Thereon	5th Dec.	Authorized accordingly
13.	Minutes of Con:	5th Dec.	Order on the foregoing for the Issue of Rs. 2 of 1857, and that on the same from receipt of the Madras Civil Fund during the 2nd Quarter of 1857.
14.	From the Board of Madras	1st Dec.	Report the amount of Specie & Liabilities on hand and Stock on the 28th Nov. 1857
15	Order Thereon	5th	Recorded

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