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Financial DEPARTMENT.

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Fort Saint George, Financial Consultation, 28th September 1858.

No. 25. From G. L. PRENDERGAST, Esq., Accountant General; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, dated 8th September 1858, No. 181.
SIR,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Extract Minutes of Consultation, dated 28th August 1858, forwarding an Extract from a letter from the Honorable Court of Directors, dated 21st July 1858, No. 13, and requesting me to furnish a few copies of the Work compiled by me in the form of "Blue Book;" in reply, I beg to state that in communicating* to me the Extract from the Proceedings of the Right Honorable the Governor General of India in Council, under date the 26th June 1857. The Government having expressed no desire that the work above alluded to should be printed, I took no steps for it.

2. As the present order of Government however requires a few copies to be furnished to them I have arranged for the printing to be commenced at once. But I regret to inform the Government that it cannot be expected to be completed soon, if the whole Statements are to be printed in my Office Press, for there are heavy works that must be printed peremptorily to time, namely the Regular Estimate, and the Annual Statement, and there are also the Territorial Books. If the Government wish it to be done soon, I beg that you will do me the favor to obtain their sanction to my getting a portion of the work done outside.

No. 26. ORDER THEREON, No. 644; dated 28th September 1858.

1. The Government do not require the Compilation in question to be now printed, but desire that the Accountant General will furnish one copy in manuscript for transmission to the Honorable Court.

2. The Honorable Court will be informed that as the chief use of such a document is for purposes of comparison, a Statement from one Presidency alone can be of little utility, and therefore the Accountant General has not been directed to compile any more. Nor to print the one already compiled.

3. As to the question of the practical utility of the work, the Honorable Court will be referred for information to the Colonial Office, where the practice of compiling similar documents has existed for a long time.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT.
Chief Secretary.

Financial Report?
No 12.500
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I propose - that
the ^{only} copy existing should
be sent to the State
Archives - & that they
should be informed
that as the chief
use of such a doc-
ument is for reference
it is proposed to

hesitate to do so at
once - as I know from
your last of a colony
experience the great
advantage of possessing
such documents of all
the colonies both for le-
gislation & adminis-
tration as well as for
general reference

Sept 7/58 At

Financial Department

No 646

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Under date 28 September 1858

Read the following

Letter from the Accountant
General

Dated 5th September 1858, No 181

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1 The Government do
not require the compilation
in question to be now printed.
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General will furnish one
copy in manuscript for
transmission to the House
of Lords.

2 The House of Lords
will be informed that as the
chief use of such a document
is for purposes of comparison,
a Statement from the President
alone can be of little utility,
and

and therefore the Accountant
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to compile any more work per ^{see} vol. already
compiled.
As to the question of
the practical utility of the
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similar documents has ex-
isted for a long time.

J. P.

To the Accountant General. Sept 1st

June 21st 1893
June 23rd 1893

June 24th 1893

June 25th 1893

June 26th 1893

June 27th 1893

June 28th 1893