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Government of Madras.

Financial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
from 5th to 21st October 1859.*

No. 17. Read the following letter from Major CHARLES A. ORR, Mint Master; to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 4th October 1859, No. 212.

Paragraph 1st. With reference to the last paragraph of the orders of Government under date the 24th September 1859, No. 543, calling upon me to report whether I consider the Office of Deputy Treasurer and Bullion keeper, from which the dismissal of Baloo Moodeliar has been approved of, should be continued, and if so at what rate of salary, I have the honor to state that, in my opinion, the Office cannot be dispensed with, as the Treasurer and Bullion keeper cannot supervise personally all the important and responsible duties of his post, and must have the means of delegating some portion of them to an active, trustworthy Assistant.

2nd. The Treasurer and Bullion keeper, in addition to the duties connected with the receipt, custody, and transfer of Bullion and the payments of Cash, has the charge of the Pre-melting of all Bullion received at the Mint, with the recovery of the drosses resulting from that process, which of itself demands almost undivided attention, as the interests of the Merchants require the operation to be conducted in the most careful, watchful manner. The Treasurer and Bullion keeper, fully occupied in the Treasury, cannot personally attend to all these varied duties, and as he is responsible for the correct performance of them, it is absolutely necessary that he should have the aid of an intelligent Deputy in whom he can confide.

3rd. I therefore think the Office must be maintained, but I do not propose any increase to the salary beyond that already recommended for the sanction of the Government of India, because for the additional ten Rupees, or a salary of Rupees 40 per mensem, with the as-

sured prospect of rising in the Establishment, a sufficiently qualified Young East Indian can be obtained. As a temporary measure I have transferred Mr. S. V. Scriven, the Deputy Melter to the vacant post, without prejudice to his present appointment of which the salary is Rupees 40, and I have made the necessary subsidiary arrangements; and should the proposed increase be sanctioned, I purpose confirming these, with Mr. S. V. Scriven, as Deputy Treasurer and Bullion keeper.

No. 18.

ORDER THEREON, 11th October 1859, No. 572.

To be recorded.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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From the Mint Master
To The Chief Secy to Govt
Fort St George.

Dated 4th } October 1859.
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No 212.

No 486

With reference to the Order of
Government dated 24th Sept 1859
No 543 reports that the office of
Deputy Treasurer and Bullion
Keeper cannot be dispensed with
as it would be difficult for the
Treasurer and Bullion Keeper to
superintend personally all the important
and responsible duties of his post.
Considers the additional salary
recommended to the Government of
India sufficient to secure a qual-
ified young East Indian
No 572.
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