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Government of Madras.

DEPARTMENT.

Financial

G.O. No. *365*

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
23rd July 1860.*

No. 52. Read the following letter from Major CHARLES A. ORR, Mint Master, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 11th July 1860, No. 88.

Paragraph 1st. With reference to the Order of Government under date the 22nd June 1860, No. 297, desiring to be informed why the Steam Hammer which is now pronounced not to be required in the Mint was ever ordered out; I have the honor to state that the Hammer was indented for by my predecessor under the impression no doubt that it would be a great acquisition to the Mechanical apparatus of this Establishment.

2nd. The Hammer, with Forge, &c., complete, arrived by the "George Canning" and might I dare say occasionally be most usefully employed, but there being neither sufficient work in the Mint, of the description it is fitted economically to perform, to keep it continuously engaged, nor any one qualified to be safely entrusted with its management, it could not, in my opinion, be advantageously erected there. Seeing no probability, moreover, of obtaining funds for the necessary buildings to contain it, I proposed the transfer to the Chief Engineer, knowing that Workshops, which may I hope ultimately be of a very complete character, are about to be built at the Presidency by the Public Works Department, and that, as it had attached to it many professional Mechanics, there would be no difficulty in setting up and working the Forge and Hammer in an establishment where they may be better utilized than in the Mint.

No. 53. ORDER THEREON, 23rd July 1860, No. 365.

His Excellency the Governor in Council observes that the Mint Master has shown good reasons for not retaining the Steam Hammer at the Mint and for his proposal to make it over to the Chief Engineer, Department Public Works.

From the present correspondence, however, it is clear that Indents for costly Machinery are, as stated by the Secretary of State in a recent Despatch (15th June 1860, Public Works, No. 40,) made by Heads of Departments without sufficient consideration as to wants and means. Major Orr's letter and this Order will be communicated to the Department Public Works, where the subject will be further considered in reference to the Despatch above alluded to.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

There can be no doubt,
that a Town like Madrid,
ought to have a Nasmyth's
Lammer, & I am glad
that it has been ordered,
whether wanted, or not, in
the Mint. The Savings
Bank in all heavy work
of its introduction into the
Colombo Factory. - But it is
dear, for this corresponds
with the cost of
machinery, as stated
in Sir C Wood's recent
dispatch made by the

of Department without
sufficient consideration
as to costs & means.
Steps should be taken by
the Director of P. M.
to bring this matter in
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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Charles A. B.

Mint Master

Order thereon 23 July 1860 - No 365.

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