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12th February 1861.*

Read the following papers :—

No. 16. From W. BALMAIN, Esq., Officiating Sub-Treasurer, to T. PYCROFT, Esq.,
Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 31st January 1861, No. 986.

I have the honor to solicit the Orders of Government on the following points connected with
Notice No. 2,115, published by authority in the Madras Gazette of January 29th, page 125.

2. In addition to the receipt of the payee or holder of the Interest order, on the back of
the order itself, two other receipts of the "holder" are to be taken, but it is quite the exception
for a holder to cash an order himself, they are usually presented, with "contents received"
written on them, by a servant or bill collector. In such cases the receipt of the holder to the
duplicate Registers cannot be obtained. In case of a holder or his servant refusing to sign the
Registers, I should not, I presume, be justified in declining to cash the interest order?

3. It is moreover required that the Registers in duplicate should be written up before an
interest order is cashed, but as many interest orders include the interest on, say from twenty to
thirty Notes of different numbers and different amounts, there will be very great delay in paying
such orders, and where many are received at once, payment will probably be delayed to a
following day. It will cause serious interruption in the Cash Department of the Treasury by
introducing into it details which properly belong to the separate Department of Account.

4. As the Notice is to come into effect from to-morrow, I request that some instructions
particularly as to requiring "holders" to appear in person may be issued as soon as practicable.

Forwarded to the Accountant General for his remarks.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

31st January 1861.

No. 17. From R. P. HARRISON, Esq., Accountant General, to the Chief Secretary to
Government, Fort Saint George, dated 2nd February 1861, No. 384.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Order of Government, dated the 31st
ultimo, forwarding for my remarks a letter from the Sub-Treasurer, No. 986 of the same date,
herewith returned.

2. The holder of a Government Promissory Note is required to give a receipt for interest,
on the back of the Promissory Note itself before any order for payment is issued by this Office—
he must also receipt the interest order on the back, and he will now be called upon under rules
issued by the Accountant General to the Government of India for all Treasuries throughout
India to sign two other receipts in the duplicate Registers. To demand so many receipts for a
single payment, and that of interest due by the Government, will, if the demand is enforced,
cause great inconvenience and dissatisfaction to the public. But at present interest orders are
payable to order, and are rarely presented by the holders themselves, but endorsed "contents
received," and sent to the Treasury by their Agents or Servants. The Sub-Treasurer would in
my opinion have no authority to call upon the holders of Government Notes to appear personally
and sign receipts in the Registers. He would be legally bound to pay the amount of an interest
order to the person in whose favor it was endorsed, and he would not be justified in refusing
payment even in case of refusal to sign the Registers. If the signature of the person actually
receiving the money is not considered sufficient, and that of the holder of the Note is required,
the form at present used for interest orders must be changed, and the order must no longer be
negotiable.

3. I concur with Mr. Balmain that the necessity for writing up the Registers in duplicate
before interest orders can be cashed, must cause delay, and this also will produce dissatisfaction.

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12th February 1861.

No. 18.

ORDER THEREON, 12th February 1861, No. 71.

Resolved that a copy of the Accountant General's letter be furnished to the Sub-Treasurer, and that he be informed that as the order he refers to is that of the Government of India and for general adoption, he should address that Authority on the subject.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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To. General Treasury
No. 986.
31st January 1861.
To. Balmain Esqre.
Offg. Sub Treasurer.
To. J. Pycroft Esqre.
Chief Secretary to Government
Sir,
I have the honor to solicit the order of Govt. on the following points connected with Notice No. 2115, published by authority in the Madras Gazette of January 29th, page 125.
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3. It is moreover required that the Register in duplicate should be written up before an Interest order is cashed, but as many Interest orders include

the interest on, say from twenty to thirty notes of different numbers and different amounts, there will be very great delay in paying such orders and where many are received at once, payment will probably be delayed to a following day. It will cause serious in-

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- partment of Accounts.

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most Obedt. Servant.

W. A. L. L. L.
Off. Sec. Treasury.

W. A. L. L. L.

Fort Saint George,
Account^{ts} Gen^l Office,
2^d February 1861.

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From
The Accountant General
To
The Chief Secretary
to Government

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From

The Chief Secretary

To

The Chief Secretary

to Govt.

No. 986.

No. 47.

Dated 31st January 1861.

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With the Accountant

General, the order of

Govt. on certain

points connected

with India No. 2115

published by authority

in the Fort St. George

Register of Laws, 29th

Forwarded to the Accountant
General for his remarks

Chief Secy
31 Jan 1861.

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

M. M. Smith
Accountant General

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(Dated 31st January 1861 - No. 986)

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[Signature]

To the Sub Treasurer { No. 12-2-61.
" Acctt. General {

A.C.H.

15th Feb.

To the Chief Secretary to the Government
From the Accountant General
Dated 2nd February 1861
No. 387
No. 371.
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