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Government of Madras.

Financial DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
16th June 1862.

Read again Proceedings of Government in the Military Department, dated 9th and recorded in Proceedings of the 16th May last, No. 371.

No. 57. Read also the following Proceedings in the Military Department, dated 22nd May 1862, No. 1,869.

Communicating paragraph 2 of the letter of the
24th April last from the Military Department
of the Government of India, in view to the
question of the retention of a Military Guard
at the Mint being re-considered with reference
to Military Proceedings of Government, No.
1,708, dated 9th May 1862. } (Vide Proceedings Military Department, dated
16th June 1861, Nos. 463 & 464.)

No. 58. ORDER THEREON, 16th June 1862, No. 451.

The Governor in Council observes that the Military Guard furnished for the protection of the Madras Mint is of the strength noted below :

- 1 Native Officer,
- 2 Havildars,
- 3 Naigues,
- 40 Privates.

In January 1861, it was reduced to a detail of

- 1 Native Officer,
- 1 Havildar,
- 2 Naigues,
- 18 Privates.

But on the representation of the Mint Master of the great risk with which such reduction would be attended, the Guard was restored to its original strength. The grounds for retaining the Guard at this strength are fully detailed in Lieutenant Colonel Orr's letter of the 23rd January 1861, No. 331, recorded in Proceedings of the 28th idem, No. 45.

2. Subsequently the question of reducing the Mint Guard, which His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief considered to be of "an unnecessarily great strength," was again submitted to Government. In their Proceedings of the 20th February 1861, No. 90, the Government observed that, after the decided opinion given by the Mint Master, in common with his predecessors, they were not prepared to authorize the Guard at the Mint being reduced, until the detached and defensible wall mentioned by Lieutenant Colonel Orr was constructed.

3. With the Proceedings of the 22nd ultimo, above recorded, a further letter from the Government of India, Military Department, is communicated to this Department, in view to the question of the retention of a Military Guard at the Mint being re-considered, with reference to the previous Proceedings of the 9th ultimo, No. 1,708. It is pointed out in that letter that a considerable reduction in the Madras Native Infantry has been made since December 1861, and that the Guard at the Calcutta Mint is now taken by the Ordinary Police.

4. The Governor in Council resolves to refer the question to Colonel Orr for his opinion, and to request that he will report whether the Guard at the Madras Mint cannot, as in Calcutta, be wholly taken by the ordinary Police; and if not, what are the difficulties and risks which in his opinion preclude such a measure.

5. Colonel Orr will observe from the Resolution of the Government of India, dated the 14th December 1861, that, if the Military Guard at the Madras Mint is not relieved by the Police, the Mint will be charged in the Civil Budget with the cost of such Guard, calculated at Rupees 250 per man for three Reliefs, according to the principle therein laid down.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Acting Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter :—

From the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, Fort William, 24th April 1862, No. 844; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, Fort Saint George.

I am directed to acknowledge your letter No. 4720, dated 20th December last, submitting Returns, shewing what Military Guards had been, what others are about to be, and what in the opinion of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief *should be*, relieved by Police; and, with reference to the opinion of the Government of Fort Saint George, recorded in their Order No. 4712, dated 20th December 1861, that certain Guards, (which the Commander-in-Chief had noted as duties of a nature to be taken by Police,) should be still taken by the Native Troops who had not more work than they were well able to do, to request that, as there has been a considerable reduction in the Native Infantry made since the date of that Order, His Excellency the Governor in Council may be moved to re-consider the question.

2. My letter No. 318, dated 9th instant, will have informed His Excellency in Council, that the Calcutta Mint Guard is now taken by ordinary Police; and it also referred to the decision in the Financial Department,* that Departments should respectively be debited with the cost of work taken for them by other Departments; under which ruling it is evidently desirable that expensive Military Guards should not be unnecessarily employed.

3. Pending a reply to this communication, the final Orders of Government will not be taken on your letter No. 1070, dated 24th ultimo, since received.

ORDER, No. 1869, 22nd May 1862.

Communicated to the Commander-in-Chief, with reference to the Proceedings marginally noted, with a request that Government may be informed whether the recent reduction of eight Regiments of Native Infantry, has caused any modification of His Excellency's views, in respect to the number and description of Guards at present furnished by the Troops which should be taken by the Police, and if so, to what extent.

2. Paragraph 2 will be communicated to the Financial Department also, in view to the question of the retention of a Military Guard at the Mint being re-considered, with reference to Proceedings in this Department, No. 1708, dated 9th May 1862.

(True Extract.)

Marshall
Secretary to Government.

To the Adjutant General.

„ Quarter Master General.

„ Financial Department. *With 3 spare copies*

„ Controller of Military Finance.

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