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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
9th July 1862.*

No. 33. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India, in the Financial Department, dated 31st May 1862, No. 3,895.

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RESOLUTION.—In October last, the Director of Public Instruction, Punjab, submitted a proposal of the Inspector of Schools, Lahore Circle, for certain additional establishments for the Zillah Schools of Umritsur, Lahore, Jhung and Sealkote, at a cost of Rupees 280 a month, from 1st November last; the cost, Rupees 1,680, for the remainder of 1861-62 being defrayed, it was stated, from the balance of Rupees 10,000 assigned in the Budget to the erection and repairs of school-houses, &c.

The Home Department, in reply to a reference from the Punjab Government on this subject, stated on the 31st March last, that the additional items of expenditure might be entered in the Budget of 1862-63, but that it was impossible to say whether effect could be given to the proposals in question, or not, until the whole sum to be allotted to Education in 1862-63, has been determined by the Financial Department, and the Punjab share of that amount has been settled.

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The Officiating Civil Paymaster stated, in reply, dated 21st April last, that he was not authorized to entertain the question, and that the local Government had not the power to sanction the application, it being a matter which could not be dealt with by any authority except the Supreme Government.

His Excellency the Governor General in Council observes that the proceedings of Captain Fuller in entertaining the extra establishment without sanction and paying it by means of advances, are very irregular, and cannot be too severely reprehended; and that a case like this operates to prevent the relaxation of central control, and to curtail the delegated authority of local Governments which the Supreme Government is so desirous, within safe limits, to extend.

His Excellency in Council remarks that in the present case there were two objections to the local Government authorizing the expenditure;—*first*, because it is irregular without sanction of this Government to appropriate funds provided for a distinct object, such as buildings and repairs, to the entertainment of additional establishment; and *secondly*, because the proposed measure pledged the Government to an increase of expenditure beyond the current year.

In strictness, Captain Fuller should, His Excellency in Council remarks, be held personally responsible for the outlay incurred on account of the additional establishment during the past year 1861-62, but as the increased establishment has been sanctioned in the Home Department for the present year 1862-63, His Lordship in Council leaves it to the Punjab Government to take such notice as it may deem necessary of Captain Fuller's proceedings. Should it be decided that the extra charge is to be borne by Government, His Excellency in Council directs that it be met, as proposed, out of the grant of 10,000 Rupees noticed above, the amount to be so provided is Rupees 1,400, and not Rupees 1,680, as stated by the Director of Public Instruction, being the charge for the five months from November 1861 to March 1862, at Rupees 280 a month.

Ordered, that a copy of the above Resolution be sent to the Officiating Civil Paymaster, and the Government of the Punjab, for information and guidance, and that copies be likewise

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(A true Extract.)

(Signed) E. DRUMMOND,
Secretary to the Government of India.

No. 34.

ORDER THEREON, 9th July 1862, No. 507.

To be recorded.

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

No. 3895

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W.P. *Wm. D. Munro*

Secretary to the Government of India.

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