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Government of Madras.

Financial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
29th July 1862.*

Read the following Proceedings in the Financial Department, dated 3rd June 1862, No. 559.

No. 110.

ORDER THEREON, 29th July 1862, No. 559.

On further consideration of the subject referred to in the foregoing Proceedings, the Governor in Council questions the necessity of prohibiting the receipt of the new Notes into the Treasuries in payment of Government dues, even in those cases where the Officer in charge of the Treasury is not sufficiently acquainted with English to be able to read and write it. A man may be quite unable to read or write the English language, and at the same time have no difficulty in deciphering the English numerals on a Currency Note, and practically every Tahsildar must possess this latter qualification in order to perform his duties as a Judicial and Revenue Officer. So far back as the 29th April 1850, a Circular Order was issued by the Sudder Court directing "the general use of English numerals in all public correspondence and accounts," and on the 30th November 1854, the Board of Revenue directed the use of English figures in all Revenue accounts, thus making a knowledge of those figures compulsory on every Revenue Officer down to the Village Curnum.

2. Under these circumstances, the Governor in Council is of opinion that there can be no risk in requiring the Currency Notes to be received every where in payment of Government dues, nor any impropriety in holding the Treasury Officers responsible for their being received at correct values.

3. The Acting Accountant General will be good enough to issue instructions to his effect.

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

CIVIL FUND CHARITY BRANCH.

At a QUARTERLY GENERAL MEETING of the SUBSCRIBERS to the CIVIL FUND CHARITY BRANCH, held at the GOVERNMENT HOUSE, in the FORT on Friday, the 11th July 1862.

PRESENT.

HON. W. A. MOREHEAD, MESSRS. A. J. ARBUTHNOT, *Trustee*.
 MESSRS. H. D. PHILLIPS, *Trustee*. R. S. ELLIS,
 H. FRERE, *Trustee*. W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary*.
 HON. C. PELLY, *Trustee*. C. G. MASTER, *Trustee*.
 MESSRS. H. A. BRETT, AND
 T. CLARKE, *Trustee*. P. P. HUTCHINS.

The Hon. W. A. Morehead is requested to take the Chair.

The Secretary is directed to read the following Report of the Trustees.

REPORT.

1. The Trustees have to report, that Messrs. H. Linton and J. H. Nelson, lately admitted on the Civil Establishment of this Presidency, have become Subscribers to this Fund, under the Covenants entered into by them with the Government.
2. MESSRS. W. H. Arbuthnot and O. B. Irvine, having obtained leave to Europe on Medical Certificate, and furnished the requisite documents, the Trustees granted them loans of £300 each on account of expenses for passage money &c. under the Deed, and have instructed Messrs. Coutts and Co. to pay to Mr. W. H. Arbuthnot one year's allowance of £300 applied for by him, under the conditions specified in the Deed.
3. Mr. F. Lushington, who has proceeded to England on leave on private affairs, previously to his departure addressed the Trustees, stating that he had been advised by his Medical Attendant to obtain leave on Medical Certificate in lieu of on private affairs but that to avoid the delay which would be occasioned by

having his leave changed in India, orders from Calcutta being necessary, he was anxious to embark at once on the leave already granted to him, and to have it changed on reaching England, and he requested the Trustees to permit him to draw from the Agents of the Fund in England the usual amount of passage money granted to Members going home on Medical Certificate, on his obtaining sick leave in that country. The Trustees in consideration of the circumstances, acceded to his request and accordingly instructed Messrs. Coutts and Co., to pay to Mr. Lushington £300 passage money or such portion of that amount as under the terms of the Deed and of his Affidavit he might be in a position to claim, on his furnishing them with an order from the Secretary of State, converting his present leave on private affairs into sick leave, and on his executing the necessary Affidavit and Bond required by the Deed.

4. In their communications dated 25th February and 11th March 1862, Messrs. Coutts and Co., informed the Trustees, that an advance of £200 had been made by them to Mr. W. Elliot to enable him to return to the service and that six months allowance had been paid to Mr. M. C. Chase under the sanction of the Home Committee. Mr. W. Elliot having since returned to India has commenced to liquidate his debt to the Fund in the mode prescribed by the Deed.

5. The Agents also informed the Trustees in their letter dated 25th February 1862, that they had paid £200 to Mr. T. A. N. Chase to enable him to return to India, but this advance being opposed to the Rules of the Fund, as Mr. Chase did not proceed to England on Sick Certificate but on Furlough on private affairs and as his application for Furlough was not supported by any Medical Certificate, the Agents have been informed of their mistake and requested to limit similar assistance from the Fund in future to cases of absence from India by reason of ill-health certified to the satisfaction of the Trustees—Mr. T. A. N. Chase having since returned to India has commenced to liquidate the debt due by him to the Fund according to the terms of his Bond.

6. With reference to para. 5 of their report of 10th July 1857, and para. 4 of that of 24th January 1862, the Trustees have to inform the Meeting, that Messrs. W. S. Nesbitt and R. K. Puckle have commenced to liquidate their debt to the Fund in the mode prescribed by the Deed.

7. A letter has been received by the Trustees from Mrs. C. Cassin (late Watts) dated 6th February 1862, representing that she was for some years in receipt of annual interest of £43-10-0 on a Capital of £1,450 invested at 3 per cent. in the West Indies, but that the Merchant in whose hands the Capital was originally left had, owing to depressed circumstances, failed for a long time past to remit to her this interest, and that the principal was also irrecoverable. The amount of Income thus lost amounted to £125-15-3 up to January 1862, and Mrs. Cassin requested payment of this amount in adjustment of her annuity up to that date and to have her annuity increased by £43-10-0 in future. The Trustees considering that Mrs. Cassin was seeking only what she is fairly entitled to, have instructed Messrs. Coutts and Co. to pay to her £125-15-3, and to discontinue from January 1862 any deduction from her annuity on account of the lost item of her income unless it should happen to revive.

8. The Trustees have the honor to lay before the Meeting, the result of the votes received from out Stations on the following proposition, referred to the service at large by the last General Meeting:

"That the provisions of Clause 13 of the Deed as modified by the Resolu-

"tion passed in 1823, be further modified so that not less than seven persons, parties to the Deed, shall be present and necessary to form every General Meeting."

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W. HUDLESTON,

Secretary.

Trustees of the
Civil Fund.

H. D. PHILLIPS,
H. FRERE,
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T. CLARKE,
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The Meeting confirm the Proceedings of the Trustees in the cases of Messrs. W. H. Arbuthnot, O. B. Irvine, F. Lushington, Wm. Elliot, M. C. Chase, T. A. N. Chase, and Mrs. C. Cassin, as contained in paras 2, 3, 4, 5, and 7, of their Report.

The votes of the Meeting are taken on the following proposition, on which the votes of the Subscribers at out-Stations are recorded in para 8 of the foregoing Report.

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Carried by the requisite Majority.

The thanks of the Meeting are unanimously voted to the Honorable W. A. Morehead for his conduct in the Chair.

W. HUDLESTON,

Secretary.

W. A. MOREHEAD,

Chairman.

Mem?

The Circular Order
of the Sur Intendant about
the general use of English
numerals by Native Of-
ficials is dated 29th April
1850 - vide para 3. entered
at page 107 of the Comr's
Circular Order, herewith
sent.

The Circular Order of
the Revenue Board is
dated 30th November, 1854 -
and will be found at
page 95 of the accompany-
ing Volume, marked with
a piece of tape.

(The
document
dated
22nd July, 1862 -
signed by Mr. [unclear])

Abstract Statement showing the number of Tahsildars in each District who do and do not know English.

District	Understand English	Do not understand English.
1 Ganjam	1	2
2 Vizagapatam	"	1
3 Godavery	5	5
4 Nistna	2	15
5 Bellare	6	3
6 Cuddapah	5	6
7 Bellary	8	7
8 Narasool	4	4
9 North Arcot	1	9
10 South Arcot	3	5
11 Tanjore	6	3
12 Trichinopoly	3	2
13 Salem	7	2
14 Coimbatore	9	2
15 Madras	4	2
16 Tinnevely	4	6
17 South Canara	1	4
18 Malabar	5	8
	72	86

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List of 8 Tahsildars

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To the Ag. Account. Genl.

" Director of the Madras Bank

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PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT.

Dated 29. 12. 1862

Report of the Secretary
of the Interior
to the President
of the United States
in relation to the
Indian Affairs
of the Territory of
Arizona
for the year 1862