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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
17th October 1862.*

No. 45. Read the following letter from the Honorable E. DRUMMOND, Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department; to J. I. HARVEY, Esq., Officiating Auditor General of India, dated Fort William, Council Chamber, the 29th August 1862, No. 194A.

Financial Department.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 319, dated the 30th June last, reporting on the remarks of the Deputy Auditors and Accountants General of Bengal and the North Western Provinces, on the Rules framed in your Office for the guidance of Agents and Accountants of the Bank of Bengal, in conducting the business of the Government Treasuries.

2. In reply, I am to observe that the only important change in these Rules is that which delegates the power of drawing Bills and advising Transfer Receipts to the Bank. The material objections which exist to this at the Presidency have not the same degree of force in the Mofussil, but it should be pointed out to the Collectors that it is their duty to check the issue of such documents in the daily returns, and that they will be held responsible that the Rules are not transgressed.

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4. The addition proposed to Rule XV is modified thus:—

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No. 923.

*Fort William, Office of Auditor General
of India, the 25th September 1862.*

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(Signed) J. I. HARVEY,
Offg. Auditor General of India.

To the Secretary to the Government of Madras.

No. 46.

ORDER THEREON, 17th October 1862, No. 732.

To be recorded.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

No. 19-A.

*From the Hon'ble E. DRUMMOND, Secretary to the Government of India,
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The 25th September 1862.

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M. Pearce

Offg. Auditor General of India.

To
The Secretary to the Govt. of
Madras...

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