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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
21st October 182.*

No. 55. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Military Department,
dated 15th October 1862, No. 3,543.

Concurring in the opinion expressed in certain }
correspondence relative to water-marked } (Vide Proceedings Military Department,
papers being stamped with a water-mark } dated 15th October 1862, Nos. 284 & 285.)
descriptive of the purpose to which they are }
to be applied. }

No. 56. ORDER THEREON, 21st October 1862, No. 743.

To be recorded.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following :—

Military Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, India Office, London, 7th August 1862, No. 83.

1. With your Military letter No. 140, of 6th May last, you transmit an Indent for 1,600 Quires of Water-marked Paper for Civil Departments, and 50 Reams, according to an enclosed pattern for the Military Department at your Presidency.
2. I would observe that the practice of including Civil and Military Stores in the same Indent is inconvenient, and likely to cause confusion of Accounts under the heads of Civil and Military Expenditure.
3. The description of the Paper required for Civil purposes, is not specified in your letter, but it is presumed, that the whole supply is to be in accordance with the pattern of that required for the Controller of Military Finance.
4. The pattern of Paper transmitted by you is that used for, and is water-marked with the words "Bill of Exchange," it is at present supplied from England for that particular purpose.
5. It has been suggested that it is undesirable that a paper thus marked should be used for other purposes, and that, as the use of Water-marked Paper appears necessary for Privilege and Transfer Receipts, &c., it might be considered preferable to provide a Water-marked Paper specially for such general purposes, omitting the words "Bill of Exchange."
6. I shall be glad to be favored with your opinion on this suggestion, and, should you adopt it, with your Report on the description of paper to be supplied, and the water-mark which it should bear.
7. In the meantime, to prevent inconvenience to the Public Service, your Indent will be complied with, to the following extent :—400 Quires or 20 Reams on account of the 1,600 Quires demanded for Civil Departments, and 50 Reams, being the whole quantity demanded for the Military Department.

ORDER, No. 3232, 19th September 1862.

Communicated to the Controller of Military Finance and Inspector General of Ordnance, with reference to Proceedings of Government 1st May 1862, No. 1589.

2. Adverting to paragraph 2 of the foregoing Despatch, it is observed that instructions have already been issued for the submission of separate requisitions for Stationery for the Civil and Military Departments.

3. The Governor in Council desires to be favored with the opinion of the Controller of Military Finance on the suggestion contained in paragraph 5.

(True Extract.)

Marshall
Secretary to Government.

To the Controller of Military Finance, with a note.
,, Inspector General of Ordnance.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.
PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letters :—

From the Controller of Military Finance, Fort Saint George, 1st October 1862, E; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, Fort Saint George.

In accordance with the instructions conveyed in the 2nd paragraph of the Order of Government marginally noted, I would beg leave to offer an opinion that it would be undesirable to use water-marked Papers for general purposes, and that such Paper should be stamped with a water-mark descriptive of the purpose to which it is to be applied.

No. 3232, of the 19th September 1862.
No. 2213, 29th September 1862.
2. I beg leave to forward a communication to my address from the Military Accountant on the subject.

From the Military Accountant, Fort Saint George, 29th September 1862, No. 2213; to the Controller of Military Finance, Madras.

In returning the enclosures received with your letter No. 871, dated 26th September 1862, I have the honor to inform you that the forms used in the Military Department for the remittances of Funds through the public Treasuries in India, are as follows :—

1. Transfer Receipts for Service Remittances.
2. Do. for Privilege Remittances, and
3. Do. for Sepoy's Family Remittances.

The Board of Audit in their Proceedings No. 226, dated 27th December 1861, have directed that plain paper should be used for the last class of Transfer Receipts and water-marked Paper for the first two classes.

2. The water-marked Paper at present in use which was received from Calcutta bears the words "Bill of Exchange." It would appear that this Paper is used for other purposes besides Military Remittances; which might be the cause of inconvenience, and there is no sufficient reason why the various forms of Transfer Receipts should not bear each one the water-mark distinctive of the use to which it is intended to be put.

3. If only as a precaution against fraud, it would be desirable that the paper for each form of remittance be stamped with a water-mark descriptive of the object of the Bill.

Service Remittance.

Privilege Remittance.

4. I may add that both descriptions of Transfer Receipts are expended in nearly equal quantities. In future Indents, the quantity required of each description of water-marked Paper might be entered.

ORDER, No. 3543, 15th October 1862.

Communicated to the Secretary of State for India, with an intimation that Government concur in the opinion expressed in the foregoing correspondence.

2. These Proceedings will also be communicated to the Financial Department, together with Order No. 3232, of the 19th ultimo.

(True Extract.)

Monckton
Secretary to Government.

To the Controller of Military Finance.

„ Military Accountant.

„ Inspector General of Ordnance.

„ Financial Department, with Order No. 3232 of 1862. *His spare Office*

Exd. A. A. DeMonte.

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