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# MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

## Government of Madras.

Financial DEPARTMENT.

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## *Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department, 22nd September* 1863.

Read the following papers :—

No. 91. From E. H. LUSHINGTON, Esq., Secretary to the Government of India; to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Fort William, the 8th September 1863, No. 4,331.

Financial Department.

The Deputy Auditor and Accountant General, Bombay, having in a letter No. 763, dated 20th July 1863, reported to this Department, that the Madras Deputy Auditor and Accountant General has been unable to meet his requisition for 2 lacs of Rupees worth of Copper Coins to replenish the General Treasury in Bombay, I am directed to request, with reference to the letter addressed to you on the 8th December 1862, No. 1,030A, that you will be good enough to issue positive instructions for the despatch of the above remittance to Bombay as soon as possible, and that you will further instruct the Master of the Madras Mint to coin Copper more vigorously than at present, as Bombay and the Berar and occasionally the Punjab and the Central Provinces will draw their supplies from Madras through Bombay.

2. On a reference to the latest Cash Balance Statement, it appears that on the 1st August last, there was not a very large amount of uncoined Silver in the Mint* and none in the Currency Department. Hence the President in Council trusts that there will be no difficulty in employing all the powers of the Mint in working off the 13¼ lacs of Copper in stock, with a view to meet the wants of the Bombay Presidency after providing for local requirements.

* Under 27 lacs worth.

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Copy sent to the Deputy Auditor and Accountant General, Madras, and the Accountant General to the Government of India.

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Referred to the Assay Master in charge of the Mint for report.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
17*th September* 1863.

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

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No. 92. From G. J. SHAW, Esq., M. P., Acting Mint Master; to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 18th September 1863, No. 145.

1. With reference to a letter from the Secretary to the Government of India in the Financial Department, dated the 8th September 1863, No. 4,331, to your address, requesting that this Mint should be more vigorously employed in coining Copper, I have the honor to state that there are now eight of the steam Stamping Presses received from England employed in the Copper coinage. Beside these there are fourteen of the old Presses still available, and I propose to employ four of the latter for stamping the small Silver pieces till the requisition for this description of coin is fully completed, and the remaining Presses solely for Copper. I have directed also that the Copper Laminating and Cutting Department and the steam Presses shall work extra hours so as to make the weekly out-turn at present 25,000 Rupees, up to 60,000 Rupees in value.

Enclosure 1.
Letter returned.

| | Pieces. | Value. Rupees. |
|---|---|---|
| ½ Annas | 9,60,000. | 30,000 |
| ¼ Do. | 19,20,000. | 30,000 |
| | 28,80,000. | 60,000 |

2. Should this arrangement be found sufficient, I shall suspend the Silver coinage and employ all the powers of the Mint to work off the 12½ lacs of Copper now in stock.

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No. 93. To the Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, dated Fort Saint George, 22nd September 1863, No. 625.

I am directed by the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th instant, No. 4,331, and to transmit, for the information of the Honorable the President in Council, a copy of one from the Acting Mint Master, reporting the arrangements he has made for the more vigorous coinage of Copper.

Dated 18th September 1863, No. 145.

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

Exd. T. McMootry.

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To

The Chief Secretary to the Government of
Madras

Financial Depart Ser.

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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant

For William
The 8th September 1863

Ed H Lushington
Secy to the Govt of India

* Under 27 lacs worth

Copy sent to the Deputy Auditor and Accountant General, Madras, and the Accountt General to the Government of India

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Referred to the Assay Master in charge of this Mint for report
Fort St George
17th September 1863

for Chief Secretary to Government

Rec'd 18th Sept 1863 & Ans 53 Dated 12 Oct 1863 & 25 Sept 24

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Fort St George,
Mint, 18th Sept 1863.

From
G. J. Shaw Esqre M.C.
Actg Mint Master

To
The Chief Secretary
to Government.

Enclosure 1.
Letter Retd

Sir,

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| | | Price. | Value Rs |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1/2 | Annas | 960000. | 30000. |
| 1/4 | do | 1920000. | 30000. |
| | | 2880000. | 60000. |

2. Should this arrange= not be found sufficient I shall suspend the Silver Coinage



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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servt.

F. A. Rees
Actg. Mint Master

F.O.T.

dept 22
By Steamer Bengal

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Financial Department

No 625.

To

The Secretary to the Govt of India
Financial Department

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th Instant No 4681 and to transmit for the information of the Honble the President in Council a copy of one from the Acting Asst Master, Bombay, stating the arrangements he has made for the more vigorous coinage of Copper with a view to meet the requirements of the Bombay Presidency and also of the Berar & other Provinces that Bangalore must supplies from Madras through that Treasury.

Dated 18th Sept. 1863. No 145.

Fort St George
22nd Sept. 1863

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
[illegible]

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Financial
1863 Department.

From

The Asst Master Mint Madras
To The Chief Secy to Govt
Fort St George

No 625.

Dated 18th Sept 1863

Sir

I have the honor to report for the information of the Hon'ble the President in Council that I have made arrangements for the coinage of 2½ lacs of Copper Coin per month.

2. I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
[illegible]

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List of Inclosures

Financial 1863. Department

No 625

To

The Secretary to the
Govt of India

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D/ 22 September 63

Replied to 8th October
1863 No 728.

Government of India
informed in reply to their
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