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Government of Madras.

Financial DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department, 16th December 1869.

No. 60. Read the following letter from R. H. HOLLINGBERY, Esq., Assistant Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Simla, 29th October 1869, No. 4414.

In reply to your No. 343, dated the 2nd August 1869, I am directed to state that, having consulted the Mint Master at Calcutta, the Governor-General in Council is of opinion that the appointment of Assistant Assay Master should not be kept up at Madras, as the assay of bullion and the currency work will not fully employ one officer.

2. It is believed that the influx of bullion into the Madras Assay Office at any one time is never such as to cause great pressure. On an emergency, however, bullion might be taken over at invoice value, less the prescribed deductions for seigniorage, premitting charges, &c., and with a margin of security given by the importer for a refund if necessary. The bullion might then be sent to Calcutta for assay. Under this arrangement there would be simple weighment of the bullion at Madras, and the opening of the seals in Calcutta under some joint arrangement between importers and Government.

3. The dies and such of the Mint machines as may be selected by the Mint Master, Calcutta, for use in his Mint, may be sent to him; but he awaits a list of the machines.

No. 61. ORDER THEREON, 16th December 1869, No. 624.

Ordered that a copy of the foregoing letter be forwarded to the Assay Master, and that his attention be drawn to the instructions contained in paragraph 2.

2. Ordered also that the following letter be addressed to the Government of India :—

(Here enter No. 625, dated 16th December 1869.)

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Assay Master.
,, Accountant-General.

Exd. J. Wright.

Govt. of 1869 Madras

FINANCIAL.

To

THE ASSAY MASTER.

&c., &c., &c.

Dated December, 1869.

Read.

G. O., 16th December 1869, No. 624.

DECEMBER.
Nos. 60—62.

Communicating letter from the Government of India, expressing opinion that the appointment of Assistant Assay Master should not be kept up at Madras.

No. 4414

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To

The Chief Secretary
Government of Fort Saint George.

Financial Dept. Sir,

In reply to your No. 343 dated 2nd August 1869. I am directed to state, that having Consulted the Mint Master at Calcutta the Governor General in Council is of opinion that the appointment of Assistant Assay Master should not be kept up at Madras - as the assay of bullion and the Currency work will not fully employ one Officer.

2d It is believed that the influx of bullion into the Madras Assay Office at any one time is never such as to cause great pressure - On an emergency however, bullion might be taken over at invoice value, less the prescribed deductions for Seignorage,

I am etc.

(Signed) H. Forbes

Secretary to Government.

Fort St. George
Financial Dept.
The 16th December 1869.

Copy forwarded for information to the Assay Master.

By order of the Governor in Council

(Signed) H. Forbes

Secretary to Government.

Fort St. George
Financial Dept.
The 16th December 1869.

Copy forwarded for information to the Accountant General.

By order of the Governor in Council

(Signed) H. Forbes

Secretary to Government.

Fort St. George
Financial Dept.
The 16th December 1869.

Copy forwarded for information to the Mint Master.

By order of the Governor in Council

(Signed) H. Forbes

Secretary to Government.

Fort St. George
Financial Dept.
The 16th December 1869.

Copy forwarded for information to the Assistant Assay Master.

By order of the Governor in Council

(Signed) H. Forbes

Secretary to Government.

Fort St. George
Financial Dept.
The 16th December 1869.

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3d The dies and such of the mint machines as may be selected by the mint master Calcutta for use in his mint, may be sent to him - but he awaits a list of the machines.

Sent Lia Letter 8 Oct 69 P. 465

Simla
The 27th October
1869.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servt

H W B Thuillier

Asstt Secy: to the Govt of India

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Financial Department.

No. 625

[illegible] to the Government

for Estimate for 1870-71.

2 Blue Lines & Enclosures addressed to Viceroy Kharagpur & Govr Hobart's letters

Financial Dept. 44th

Fin. — 1869 — Dept

From, the Apptt Secy. Govt of India

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No. 624 — 16 Dec/69.

Ordered that a copy of the foregoing letter be forwarded to the Agency Master, and that his attention be drawn to the instructions contained in paragraph 2.

2. Ordered also that the following letter be addressed to the Govt of Madras.

To the Agency Master.
— do — Accountant General

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Fy 29th Oct
Ry 8th Nov } 1869
No 603

Expressing their opinion that the appointment of Assistant Agency Master is not necessary at Madras.

With an order

Govt. of {1869} Madras.

Financial

To

The Assay Master.
&c.

Dated Decr 16.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O. 16 Decr 1869, No. 624.

Nos. 60 & 62.

Comng. letter from the Govt. of India expressing opinion that the appointment of Asst. Assay Master should not be kept up at Madras —

dispd 29/12

Financial Department.

No. 625.

To

The Secretary to the Government
of India.
Financial Department.

Sir,

Reference to Your Asst. Secy. Hollingbery's letter dated the 29th October last, No. 4414, I am directed to state that the Madras Government do not consider an Assistant Assay Master absolutely necessary at Madras, and that they have not made any provision for such an officer in the Budget Estimate for 1870-71.

2 The list of machines adverted to in paragraph 2 of Mr Hollingbery's letter

Letter was transmitted with Mr Secretary Dalyell's letter dated the 8th October last, No 465.

Fort St. George
16 Dec/69

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Memo for orders.

In this letter the Govt of India express an opinion that an Assistant Apoy Master for Madras is unnecessary.

There is no one at present appointed nor has any provision been made in the Budget for 70/71 -

There would no doubt be considerable inconvenience

from Calcutta to Bombay -
Under the circumstances
I submit that the Post
of India may be left
that we do not consider
an Asst Assay Master
absolutely necessary - &
that permission for this
Post has accordingly
been omitted from our
Budget - RL

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appointed out by Col.
Carpendale, is because
such important interests
as a Bullion depôt - Agency
Office & Currency Debt with
only one officer on the premises
who may any day be
incapacitated by illness
for duty -
The only Madras Officers
who have qualified are
Dr. Aitken - Colvin Smith
Capts Hunter. Rl. -
but on an emergency they
would send some one

I omit Drs Shaw & Bartlett

The appointment of an
Assistant Apothecary to Madras will be necessary

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Appointment of Commissariat Officers at Madras & Bombay necessary to be established at each of those Presidencies

Civil Depy.

Fin. & Com. Depy.

Mil. & Ecc. Depy.

Pol. Depy.

Judl. Depy.

Mil. & Ecc. Depy.

No. 624
No. 625.

To

The Secretary to the
Government of India
Fin. Department

Dated 16 Dec. 1869.

No. 60.-62

Stating that the Madras Govt. do not consider an Asst. Comy. Genl. absolutely necessary at Madras, and that they have not made any provision for such an Officer in the Budget Estimate for 1870-71.