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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
13th December 1871.

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The above may be sanctioned, if agreed to, from the current year.

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(True Extract.)
(Signed) R. H. HOLLINGBERY,
Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 5204.

Copy forwarded to the Government of Madras with a request for information as to whether the plan proposed by the Financial Department is accepted by His Excellency the Governor in Council.

(By order of the Governor-General of India in Council.)

HOME DEPARTMENT (PUBLIC),
SIMLA, 10*th November* 1871.

(Signed) ARTHUR HOWELL,
Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 63. To the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, dated Fort St. George, 13th December 1871, No. 774.

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5. These and other petty alterations and reductions will admit of the total charge on account of Household Expenses and Tour Fund being fixed at a minimum charge of Rupees 75,000, and I am to request the sanction of Government to this amount, which would involve a net annual saving of Rupees 5,865.

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MEMORANDUM showing the *actual* expenditure of Government House Funds during the Official years commencing 1861-62 and ending 1870-71, taken from Budget Estimates furnished to Government.

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MADRAS,
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Home 1871 Dept.

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DECEMBER.
Nos. 62-63.

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FORT ST. GEORGE,
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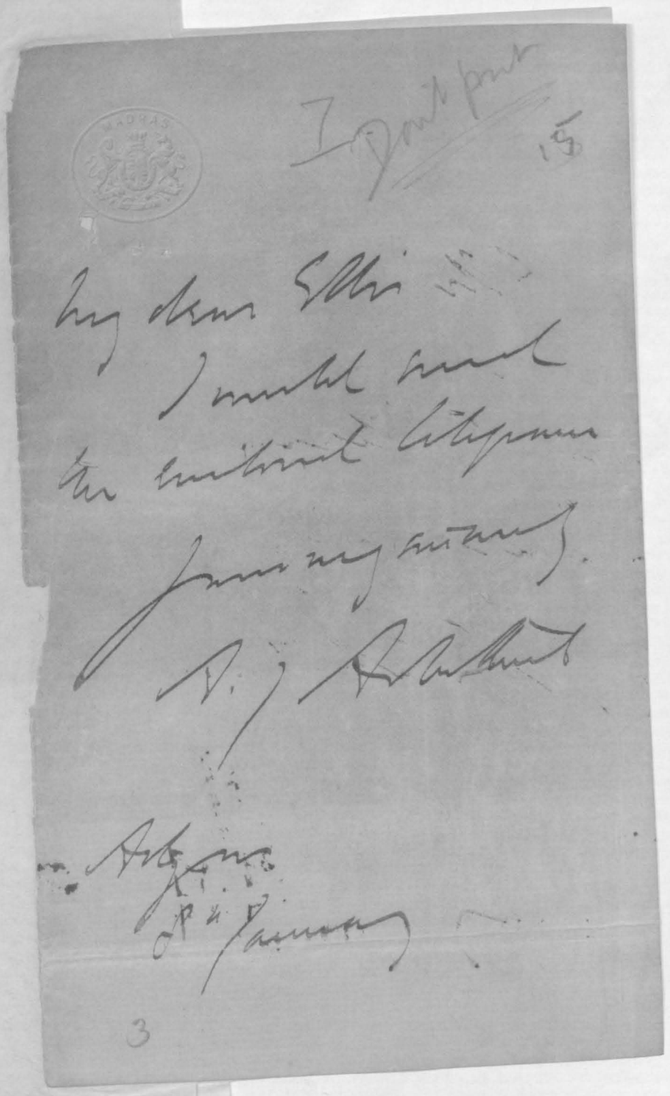
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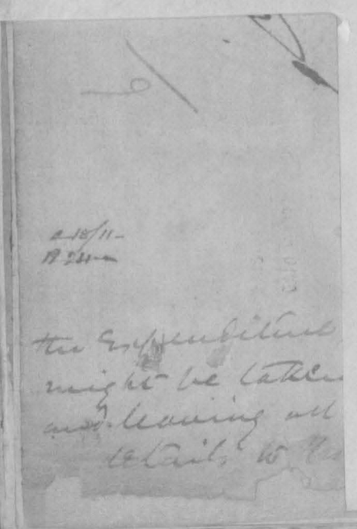
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Under Secretary to the Govt. of India.





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Government House,
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(printed in 79)

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Artificer's Salaries	42 " "	504 " "
	Total Rupees.	75,000 " "

* This sum includes personal contingent charges of Ball Secretary to Government

4th December 1879.

Private Secretary.

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Memo.

I have gone carefully on these charges & I don't think that the sum total of miscellaneous expenditure could with any decency be reduced to the last sum of R: 65.000. proposed by the Govt. of India.

I endose a Return shewing that the average Expenditure under the heads alluded to has been in the last ten years R: 86.865.

By reducing the charges for furniture by half and the charges for Tour to R: 20.000. per annum with some other small reductions I have attained as a Minimum result as shewn in the accompanying Return an Expenditure of R: 76.000 annually which I think Government must submit to the consideration of the Govt. of India. —

In proposing this it must however be remarked that the fixed fund could not be charged with

The sum of Rs. 6000. at present appropriated
to the Transfer of the Govt. Office
Establishments to the Island of Henry Willis.
The net sum of £. 20.000. of the Bombay
for the annual expenditure of the
Government of Bombay.

I think it is time with these proposals
to the Govt. of India this Govt. should
remark on the much higher amount of
allowances contemplated for the Govt. of
Bombay & should take notice of the
fact that in the ~~Dispatch~~ Resolution
of the Govt. of India the Presidency
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occasioned here this & the Correspondence
of the Govt. of India which is
not entirely without significance.

I put some delicacy & dealing
with this question as I am in reality
dealing with the interests of many
persons & not with any one.

M.

Dec. 2nd /71.

Comparative Statement of the estimated Expenditure of Government House, Hunter's Quarter, the Offices of Police Commissioners 1861-2 and ending 1870-71 taken from Estimates furnished to Government:

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Estimated average annual Expenditure Rs. 868651 8

Estimate of Expenditure for 1871-72

Clerks & Office Servants	Rs. 4596
Establishment of Police	" 24606
Contingent Charges, including Furniture,	Rs. 21,400
Postage charges	390
Allowances for Bats	8000
Lamplighting	10,000
	Rs. 88992

+ Rs. 5000 - for Hunter's Quarter to be built
Work Charged

Note

The cost of maintaining the Secretariat Offices to be Rs. 19500 - is included in the Estimate of the Establishment.

The Establishment charges of the Police Force in 1870-71 - amount to Rs. 24372-7-2.

Abstract Statement of Annual Expenditure from 1861-2 to 1870-71 inclusive

Salaries of Secretary & Assistant	Rs. 193375
Contingencies for Office	" 43759
Allowance for Office Establishment	" 149238
Establishment for Police	" 44155
Lighting Service	" 7252
Establishment Charges	" 23439
Total Charges	" 686651
Four Guards	" 4831
Hunters Charges	" 72527
Salaries of Officers	" 226897
Total Expenditure	Rs. 868651

Average annual Expenditure Rs. 868651 8

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To

The Secretary to the Government
of India.

Home Department.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of the extract from the Proceedings of the Govt. of India in the Financial Department No. 4731 dated Simla the 31st October last communicated under docket in the Home Deptt No 5204, containing a Resolution of the Govt of India proposing to allot a lump sum of Rs 65,000 on account of the household expenses and tour charges of the Governor of Madras exclusive of the travelling allowances of the Private and Military Secretaries and of the Aide-de-Camp, and stating that if this amount is

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is accepted the Accountant General will be instructed to abstain from questioning the items of this expenditure.

2. In reply I am to solicit a reconsideration of the amount allotted to the Govt. of Madras, and to request that it may be raised from 65,000 to 75,000 Rupees.

3. In support of this application I am to submit a Memorandum prepared by the Private Secretary of His Excellency the Governor, exhibiting the annual expenditure on account of the Governor's household and Tour Fund for the last ten years. It will be seen from this Statement that the average annual expenditure has

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amounted to Rs 86865

4. His Excellency the Governor proposes to remove from this account the annual cost of moving the Govt establishments to the Nilgherry Hills, which has been fixed at 6000 Rs, and which has hitherto been borne by the Tour Fund, but which will hereafter form ~~an item of charge in the Provincial Budget~~. After making this transfer His Excellency proposes to reduce the amount of Tour Fund to Rs 20,000-) His Excellency also proposes to reduce the amount of the item "Furniture Charges" to Rs 5000.)

These

a separate item of charge in the Imperial Budget under the head of "Administration."

considers that the net amount available for Tour fund may, with the strictest rule of economy, be limited to Rs. 20.000. His Excellency is also of opinion with reference to the items expended in recent years for the renewal of furnitures in the Govt. Houses at Ooty & Guindy that the charge ~~the~~ under the head "furnitures" which includes

which may be more

5. These and other petty alterations and reductions will admit of the total charge on account of household expenses and Tour Fund being fixed at a minimum charge of Rupees 75,000, and I am to request the sanction of Govt. to this amount which would involve a net

linen ~~and~~ plate and China need not be reckoned at an average amount of more than Rs. 5000.

6. I am also to request a reconsideration of the Resolution of the Govt. of India contained in the Proc. of Govt., Financial Departt. No. 601, dated 1st January 1871 directing that the Furniture allowance for the Govt. House be shown as a Public Works charge.

Rs. 5865.

amounted

7. I am to submit that the amount and description of Furniture required from time to time in a Govt. House should, within certain limits, be left as has hitherto been the practice, for the decision of the Governor and it appears to His Excellency in Council that it may appropriately be included in the lump grant assigned for household expenses.

Included

The Govt. think it right to retain that in the Regulation of the Govt. of India precedence has wrongfully been given to the Presidency of Bombay over the Presidency of Madras a ceremonial circumstance which may be used

the results of an enquiry but what this Govt. do not consider worthy of notice as the same error has been remarked in papers circulated by the Govt. of India on other occasions.

The Govt. of Madras presume that in allotting a much higher allowance to the Governor of Bombay in connection with Household Expenses & Journeys than that which is proposed for the Governor of Madras the Supreme Govt. has had in view some grounds for a course which seems scarcely consistent with the relative positions of the two Govts. It would however be satisfactory to this Govt. to be made acquainted with the

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The Secretary to the Government of

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