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No. 40. Read the following Proceedings of the Government of India in the Financial Department, dated Fort William, 18th April 1872, No. 2755 :—

Mint and Currency.

Read the following papers bearing on the question of supplying Treasury Officers with balances and minimum weights for ascertaining whether coins tendered at the Treasury have lost more than the prescribed allowance in weight :—

For the second time—

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Financial Circular, No. 4929, dated 17th November ,,

For the first time—

From Chief Commissioner, Mysore, No. 5054-16-F, dated 19th January 1872.
,, ,, ,, ,, ,, 5444-17-F, dated 7th February ,,
,, ,, ,, Oudh, ,, 420, dated 6th February 1872.
,, Government of Bombay, No. 443-A, dated 16th February 1872.
,, Government of Madras, No. 332, dated 19th March 1872.
,, Chief Commissioner, British Burmah, No. 393-25, dated 19th March 1872.
,, ,, ,, Central Provinces, No. 1045-25, dated 23rd March 1872.
,, Resident at Hyderabad, No. 91, dated 14th March 1872.
,, Mint Master, Calcutta, No. 847, dated 18th January 1872.
To ,, ,, ,, ,, 1141, dated 12th February 1872.
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2. The Governor-General in Council accordingly directs that Treasury Officers are not to be supplied with balances from the Mints, but that they are to purchase them in the local markets.

3. The minimum weights should be obtained from the Mints on indents submitted through, and checked by, the local Accountants-General, who should always possess accurate balances for testing the weights used in the Treasuries under their respective charge. In cases of doubt as to the accuracy of the test balances and weights of the Accountants-General, reference should be made to the Mint Master.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department, 4th May 1872.

Ordered that the foregoing Resolution be communicated to the several Local Governments and Account Offices, and to the Mint Master, Calcutta.

(Signed) R. B. CHAPMAN,
Secretary to the Govt. of India.

No. 41. ORDER THEREON, 4th May 1872, No. 630.
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(True Extract.)

Officiating Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue.

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