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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
21*st January* 1873.

No. 145. Read the following Proceedings of the Government of India in the Financial Department, dated Fort William, 27th December 1872, No. 4670 (Accounts):—

Read—

Endorsement of the Public Works Department, No. 1821GR, dated the 28th November 1872, forwarding copy of correspondence regarding a loss of Rupees 759-9-2 sustained by the Oudh and Rohilkhund Railway Company.

RESOLUTION.—The Governor-General in Council observes that a cheque for Rupees 759-9-2 was drawn by the Agent of the Oudh and Rohilkhund Railway Company on the Barabankie Government Treasury in favour of Mr. Nicholas, the Company's Engineer at Sufdergunge.

2. Mr. Nicholas endorsed the cheque in favour of his Cashier, but took no receipt from him; and the amount of the cheque was never brought to credit by the Cashier, although the cheque was cashed at the treasury. The signature of the payee was not taken when the cheque was cashed.

3. The question now is whether the civil officers concerned are responsible for the loss.

4. His Excellency in Council is of opinion that, while it is to be regretted that the Treasurer did not exact a receipt from the payee, he was not legally bound to do so, the cheque being payable to bearer. The responsibility for the loss cannot, therefore, be enforced against the civil officers. In future, however, all such cheques should be made payable to order only.

Ordered that the foregoing Resolution be communicated to the Public Works Department and to the Comptroller-General; also to Local Governments, with a request that local Treasury Officers may be forbidden to cash cheques payable to bearers.

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

No. 146. ORDER THEREON, 21st January 1873, No. 116.

Communicated to the Accountant-General who will issue the necessary instructions to all Treasury Officers, and inform all Departments who have credit in Government Treasuries.

2. It will be notified in the *Fort St. George Gazette* that, under instructions from the Government of India, all Treasury Officers have been prohibited from cashing cheques made payable to bearer.

(True Extract.)

W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary.

To the Accountant-General.
,, Revenue Department.

Exd. J. Wright.

Govt. of India.

FINANCIAL.

To

The ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL, &c., &c., &c.

Dated January, 21st.

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Communicating, with instructions, Resolution of the Government of India prohibiting Treasury Officers from cashing cheques made payable to

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

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Accounts.

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R. B. CHAPMAN,

Secretary to the Government of India.

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