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Indents—Stores.

No. 74. Read the following Proceedings of the Government of India in the Financial Department, dated Fort William, 19th March 1875, No. 1739 :—

Expenditure—Stores.

Read again—

Financial Resolution, No. 1267, dated 21st July 1871, regarding the control to be exercised in the Financial Department over the indents, estimates, and accounts of stores procured from England.

RESOLUTION.—In paragraph 2 of the Resolution now read, it was prescribed that indents for stores required for Imperial Services (excepting Public Works Stores) should be transmitted to the Secretary of State through the Financial Department.

2. The check which it was thus intended that the Financial Department should exercise over indents for Europe Stores has, however, been found to be inefficient, inasmuch as the indents are framed so as to make up the established proportion after deducting the quantity in store and that due on previous indents. The check over indents so framed must be purely arithmetical, and even that arithmetical check cannot be effectively applied, because the real test of the indent is the figure which is entered as the annual consumption in the column of "established proportion." The figures in that column are necessarily accepted as given by the indenting officers or departments. Any check of the indents in the Financial Department, extra to the check applied by the Administrative Department of Government, must be nominal or superfluous.

3. Under these circumstances, His Excellency the Governor-General in Council is pleased to direct, in modification of the existing arrangements, that indents for Military, Marine, and Medical Stores shall be checked and transmitted to the Secretary of State by the Military Department ; that the indents for Stationery Stores in the Bengal Presidency, and for stores required for the Departments of Stamp, Post Office, and Paper Currency, and for the Calcutta Mint, shall continue to be checked and transmitted to the Secretary of State by the Financial Department; and that indents for other Civil Stores required for the Governments of Madras and Bombay shall be checked and transmitted direct to the Secretary of State by those Governments ; the indents for stores required by the other local Governments being transmitted through the Administrative Departments of the Government of India to which the indenting authorities are subordinate.

4. The real check over undue growth of expenditure of stores consists in the annual reviews of the actual expenditure and balances of stores; and these should be continued to be submitted to the Financial Department as prescribed in the Resolutions of 21st July 1871, No. 1267, and (for the Military and Marine Departments) No. 5487, dated 10th September 1874.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
6th April 1875.

Military Department.
Home Department.
Foreign Department.
Revenue, Agriculture, and Commerce Department.
The several Local Governments.
The Head Commissioner of Paper Currency.
The Master of the Mint, Calcutta.

ORDERED that the foregoing Resolution be communicated to the Departments, Governments, and Officers noted on the margin, for information and guidance.

(Signed) J. A. BOURDILLON,
Offg. Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 75. ORDER THEREON, 6th April 1875, No. 757.

Communicated to the Departments of the Secretariat and to the Heads of Departments mentioned below, for information and guidance—

To the Inspector-General of Ordnance and Magazines.
" Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.
" Director of Public Instruction.
" Master Attendant, Madras.
" Government Astronomer.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department.
" Military Department.
" Public Works Department.
" Accountant-General.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

Govt. of India, 1875.

FINANCIAL.

To

THE REVENUE DEPARTMENT,

&c., &c., &c.

Dated April 6th.

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Nos. 74-75.

Stores.—Resolution of Government of India on the subject of indents for stores being checked and transmitted to the Secretary of State, communicated to the departments concerned.

No. 1739.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

EXPENDITURE.
Stores.

FORT WILLIAM, *the* 19*th March* 1875.

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2. The check which it was thus intended that the Financial Department should exercise over indents for Europe stores has, however, been found to be inefficient, inasmuch as the indents are framed so as to make up the established proportion after deducting the quantity in store and that due on previous indents. The check over indents so framed must be purely arithmetical, and even that arithmetical check cannot be effectively applied, because the real test of the indent is the figure which is entered as the annual consumption in the column of "established proportion." The figures in that column are necessarily accepted as given by the indenting officers or departments. Any check of the indents in the Financial Department, extra to the check applied by the Administrative Department of Government, must be nominal or superfluous.

3. Under these circumstances, His Excellency the Governor General in Council is pleased to direct, in modification of the existing arrangements, that indents for Military, Marine and Medical stores shall be checked and transmitted to the Secretary of State by the Military Department; that the indents for Stationery stores in the Bengal Presidency, and for stores required for the Departments of Stamp, Post Office and Paper Currency, and for the Calcutta Mint, shall continue to be checked and transmitted to the Secretary of State by the Financial Department; and that indents for other Civil stores required for the Governments of Madras and Bombay shall be checked and transmitted direct to the Secretary of State by those Governments: the indents for stores required by the other local Governments being transmitted through the Administrative Departments of the Government of India to which the indenting authorities are subordinate.

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Revenue, Agriculture and Commerce Department.
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The Head Commissioner of Paper Currency.
The Master of the Mint, Calcutta.

ORDERED, that the foregoing Resolution be communicated to the Departments, Governments, and Officers noted on the margin, for information and guidance.

J. S. Bourdillon

Offg Under *Secretary to the Government of India.*

To

The Secretary to the Govt of Madras

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With order.

Indents. Stores.

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