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1	From the Quarter Master General of the Army.	18th Septr.	Reports that the two Companies of the 49th Regiment recently ordered to Moorcondah are no longer required there, and enquires whether Government have any objection to their being ordered to return to Kurnool.
2	Order thereon	23rd Septr.	Approve of the Detachment being sent back to Kurnool.
3	From the Session Judge of Masulipatam.	15th Septr.	Suggests that the two Convicts exported from Hyderabad under charge of a Detachment of Madras Rifles proceeding to Calcutta, may be sent thither with the Detachment, and that arrangements be there made for carrying out their sentence of transportation.
4	Order thereon	23rd Septr.	Direct Mr. Cotton to keep the Convicts in his Jail until an opportunity occurs of sending them to Madras, as there are objections to encumbering Troops with such a charge when proceeding on service.
5	Minute by the Right Honorable the President.	18th Septr.	Proposes the appointment of Lieut. Colonel Brown of the 6th Regiment Light Cavalry, as Joint Magistrate in the Districts of Coimbatore and Malabar.
6	Order thereon	23rd Septr.	Make the appointment and notify the same in the Official Gazette. Desire the Magistrates of Coimbatore and Malabar to make over to Lieutenant Colonel Brown's jurisdiction the whole of the tract of country belonging to their respective Districts, which is situated on the Neilgherries. Observe that a Commission of the Peace on his behalf was issued in June last.
7	From the Acting Joint Magistrate of Canara.	2nd Septr.	Forwards the depositions taken from a discharged Sepoy of the Bengal Army, together with his descriptive Roll.
8	Order thereon	23rd Septr.	Record the foregoing.
9	From the Acting Magistrate of Malabar.	10th Septr.	Forward, in reference to Extract Minutes Consultation 4th Instant, revised translate of the Subadar's letter, and observe that there is nothing in it to justify his acting on that order.
10	Order thereon	23rd Septr.	Record the foregoing.
11	From the Acting Magistrate of Malabar.	15th Septr.	Forwards with his recommendation, an application from Lieutenant Bomfield, soliciting a confirmation of the Regimental orders directing him to continue to perform the duties of the Adjutant of the Malabar Police Corps.
12	Order thereon	23rd Septr.	Sanction accordingly.
13	From the Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines.	9th Septr.	Forwards a valuation statement received from the Government of Bombay, and requests to know whether the articles therein enumerated have been received.
14	Order thereon	23rd Septr.	Intimate that the articles have been received and that their value should be debited to the Judicial Department.
15	From the Colonial Secretary, Colombo.	15th Septr.	With reference to certain prisoners charged with a theft in Ceylon and apprehended in Coimbatore, states that they can be tried by the Magistrate of the District.
16	Order thereon	23rd Septr.	Communicate to the Magistrate of Coimbatore and direct him to proceed to dispose of the case himself.

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17	From the Commissioner Tenasserim and Martaban Provinces.	15th Augt.	Forwards the returns of Madras Convicts remained, deceased, escaped and released, in the Tenasserim Provinces during the year 1856-57.
18	Order thereon	23rd Septr.	Direct that the returns be transmitted to the Commissioner of Police, and that Extracts relating to the Convicts from Hyderabad and the Provinces be forwarded to the Resident of Hyderabad and the Inspector of Prisons respectively.
19	From the Master Attendant.	10th Septr.	Submits an account particular of the expenses incurred on account of the seamen engaged by him for service during the Mahurrum festival, and solicits the payment of the balance Rupees 297-14-4, due to him on this account. Intimates that he has permitted the men to retain one suit of clothes with the straw hats and rugs supplied them.
20	Order thereon	23rd Septr.	Authorize the disbursement to Captain Biden of the balance due to him and enquire how it is intended to dispose of the remaining suits of clothes.
21	From the Government of India.	25th Augt.	Forward a communication from the Honorable Court giving cover to an order of the House of Commons, with a request that the information therein required as to the cost and business of the Supreme Courts in India may be furnished as far as the Court at Madras is concerned.
22	Order thereon	24th Septr.	Observe that the Returns referred to were forwarded to the Honorable Court under date 24th September 1857, No. 23.
23	From the Inspector of Prisons.	9th Septr.	Enquires whether the principle laid down by the Honorable Court in a recent case, that, in instances where a retired Military Officer is employed in the Civil Department, the amount of such Officer's pension shall be deducted from the authorized salary of his appointment, is applicable to the case of pensioned Soldiers in charge of Jails.
24	Order thereon	24th Septr.	Intimate that the principle is not applicable, and observe that in proposing an increase to the salary of Jailors, this Government expressly intimated to the Supreme Government, that it was to be given in addition to any pension of which the party may be in receipt.
25	From the Accountant General.	5th Septr.	Forwards as directed a statement of the charges incurred by the East India Company on account of Her Majesty's Supreme Court of Judicature, Madras, during the past 5 official years.
26	From the Judges of the Supreme Court.	16th Septr.	Forward as requested a return of the cases disposed of by them during the last five years.
27	Order thereon	24th Septr.	Forward to the Honorable Court with reference to their Despatch of the 8th July, No. 9 of 1857.
28	From the Commander of the Honorable Company's Steamer "*Zenobia.*"	22nd Septr.	Requests that any number of Sailors who are confined in Jail for petty offences may be pardoned and allowed to volunteers for the vessel as she is at present very short handed.
29	Order thereon	24th Septr.	Communicate to the Commissioner of Police and direct the submission of a list of such of the Sailors as may be disposed to volunteer their services, stating their crimes and the period of their imprisonment, &c.

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30	From the Commissioner of Police.	22nd Septr.	Submits translation of the native letter forwarded to him with the order of Government, dated 20th Instant, No. 1204.
31	Order thereon	24th Septr.	Communicated to the Magistrate of Coimbatore for information.
32	From the Senior Magistrate of Police.	21st Septr.	Requests to be furnished regularly with a copy of the General Orders issued by Government and His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.
33	Order thereon	25th Septr.	Refer to the Military Department in view to the application being complied with.
34	From the Commissioner of Police.	18th Septr.	Forwards as directed a roll of Police Officers to the number of 23, whom he would recommend for pension, and states that 21 of them have been pronounced unfit for further service and that to 2 the Garrison Surgeon recommends a change of air for 6 months each. States this absence will involve loss of pay unless Government be pleased to make a special allowance in their favor.
35	Order thereon	25th Septr.	Observe that in many cases the amount of pension applied for has not been calculated in the manner prescribed by Act XIII of 1856. Intimate that Government see no reason to make the case of the Peons recommended for a change of air, a special one. Return the roll to Colonel Boulderson for revision. Enquire of the Accountant General, what is the sum at present to the credit of "the Police Superannuation Fund" in the books of his office, as the pensions assigned under the Act are to be met wholly out of that Fund. Also desire the Commissioner to see that only such of the men as are of a class not entitled to the benefit of the Uncovenanted Service Pension Rules are entered in the roll referred to.
36	From the Inspector of Prisons.	5th Septr.	Submits for the consideration of Government the doubts entertained by him in respect of the application to Military Convicts of the Regulations regarding Civil prisoners.
37	Order thereon	25th Septr.	State the views of Government on each of the questions raised by the Inspector.
38	From the Honorable Company's Solicitor.	21st August.	In reply to a reference states, that he does not see any objection to the proposed Regulations for the Madras Penitentiary and submits that Government are quite competent without any Legislative authority to frame and sanction such Regulations for maintaining discipline in Gaols.
39	From the same	7th Septr.	Returns with his observations the "general instructions for the guidance of the Constables in charge of the Police Lock-up-houses in Madras" and objects to the provision therein made for the detention of prisoners in custody for more than one night, previous to their being taken before a Magistrate.
40	Order thereon	25th Septr.	Sanction the adoption of the Rules for the Madras Penitentiary and Lock-up-houses as modified, and direct that a copy of them be furnished to the Commissioner of Police and direct him to watch their operation and bring to notice from time to time any modifications that may seem necessary. Concur in the objection made against the detention of untried prisoners in custody for more than one night.

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			Request the Bishop to arrange for the Chaplains of Vepery visiting the Penitentiary, pursuant to the rules now adopted.
41	Extract Minutes Consultation, Revenue Department	20th May.....	Communicate a letter from the Board of Revenue, reporting on the question of removing certain public offices from the Fort at Tellicherry to make room for a Jail, and intimating that the Acting Collector has referred to the Brigadier Commanding to ascertain whether the Military Armoury and Hospital can be removed without inconvenience, to another site.
42	Order thereon.....	25th Septr....	Remark that no copy of any reply from the Brigadier has yet reached Government, and enquire through the Revenue Department the cause of the delay.
43	From the Acting Agent in Ganjam.	10th Septr....	Solicits sanction for the disbursement to the Criminal Jawabeviss of his Agency, Rs. 16, being the arrears of the personal allowance granted him in excess of the salary fixed by the Honorable Court, from January to August 1857.
44	Order thereon.....	25th Septr....	Sanction accordingly.
45	From the Marine Board.....	19th Septr....	Under circumstances stated, solicit sanction for the payment of Rs. 50 per mensem, to Mr. Brydon, so long as he may be required to afford Medicial aid to the Native Convicts and guard on board the "*Minden.*"
46	Order thereon.....	25th Septr....	Authorize accordingly.
47	From the Acting Magistrate of Malabar.	15th Septr....	Forwards copy of a further correspondence with the Government of Bombay relative to a Subadar, who was ordered to be apprehended by them on the ground that the letter written by him was of a suspicious character.
48	Order thereon.....	25th Septr....	Record the foregoing.
49	From the Officer in charge of the Army Clothing Depôt.	24th Septr....	States that there is no Serjeant's blue cloth available for the clothing of the Madras Mounted Police.
50	Order thereon.....	25th Augt....	Communicate to the Commissioner of Police and desire him to obtain the necessary quantity of cloth from Calcutta.
51	From Mr. Harris, Commissioner under Act XIV of 1857, Chittoor.	10th Septr....	Forwards the record of a case of highway robbery disposed of by him under the Act.
52	Order thereon.....	26th Septr....	Under circumstances of the case reduce the period for which the prisoners have been sentenced.
53	Extract Minutes Consultation, Department Public Works.	18th Septr....	Forward a communication from the Chief Engineer, reporting on the estimate of the building proposed to be erected as quarters for a Police Inspector and a Tannah at Woraiyamperttah, amounting to Rupees 1,150.
54	Order thereon.....	26th Septr....	Direct that orders be issued through the Department of Public Works, for the entry of the work in the Budget of 1858-59.
55	From the Acting Magistrate of Malabar.	16th Septr....	Reports the re-apprehension of the parties who were on the Island of Lakkive at the time of the murder of Mr. Hugon, and who had been released on bail.
56	Order thereon.....	26th Septr....	Record the foregoing.
57	From the Magistrate of Cuddapah.	14th Septr....	Under circumstances stated, solicits sanction for the entertainment of 80 extra Peons on a salary of Rupees 4 each per mensem from the 1st September, inclusive of the number sanctioned in Extract Minutes Consultation of the 31st August last.

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58	Order thereon.....	26th Septr....	Sanction the entertainment of the Peons from the 1st of September to the end of the current year, and direct the Magistrate at the expiration of that period to report whether the services of the men cannot be dispensed with.
59	From the Civil Auditor.....	22nd Septr....	Enquires from what date the increase authorised to the salary of Mr. Clarke, Deputy Commissioner of Police is to commence.
60	Order thereon.....	26th Septr....	Intimate that the increased rate should be passed from the 15th Instant, the date of the order granting the same.
61	From the Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines.	21st Septr....	States that he is unable to supply any Revolvers for the use of the European Jailors in the Provinces.
62	Order thereon.....	26th Septr....	Authorize the Inspector of Prisons to send to England for the Revolvers required for the use of the European Jailors.
63	To the Government of India.	28th Septr....	Forward copy of a Despatch transmitted to the Honorable Court.
64	From the Magistrate of Salem.	22nd Septr....	Reporting on the disturbance at Vaniembady, its causes and the result of the enquiry instituted.
65	Order thereon.....	28th Septr....	Approve the measures adopted for restoring order at Vaniembady.
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66	From the Commissioner of Police.	22nd Septr....	Under circumstances stated, solicits Government to direct that all the Horses at present in use by the Mounted Police be brought on the permanent strength of that Force.
67	Order thereon.....	29th Septr....	Direct accordingly.
68	From the Accountant General.	23rd Septr....	In reference to Mr. Spencer's request to have the Promissory Note given by him as his deposit money converted into cash, state, for reasons given, that Government have no concern in the matter.
69	Order thereon.....	29th Septr....	Intimate that Government cannot comply with the request of Mr. Spencer.
70	From the Court of Sudr Udalut.	23rd Septr....	Solicit authority for the disbursement by the Acting Civil Judge of Salem of Rupees 38, being the value of a glazed Almirah of teak-wood, required for the preservation of books.
71	Order thereon.....	29th Septr....	Authorize accordingly.
72	From the Court of Sudr Udalut.	23rd Septr....	Solicit authority for the disbursement by the Civil Judge of Tinnevelly of Rupees 35, being the cost of making 2 Bureaus for the safe custody of the English record and Law books of his Court.
73	Order thereon.....	29th Septr....	Authorize accordingly.
74	From the Inspector of Prisons.	29th Septr....	Forwards for adjustment statements of the expenses incurred on account of the maintenance of three Hyderabad Convicts confined at the Jail of Masulipatam, amounting in the aggregate to Rupees 297-6.
75	Order thereon.....	29th Septr....	Direct that a copy of the foregoing letter be furnished to the Resident of Hyderabad and to the Accountant General, with a view to the necessary adjustment being made in their accounts.
76	To the Resident of Hyderabad.	29th Septr....	Forward the communication from Mr. Rohde.
77	From the Court of Sudr Udalut.	23rd Septr....	Solicit authority for the disbursement by the Acting Civil Judge of Salem of Rupees

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			35-10, being the cost of 57 badges supplied to the hutta Peons, attached to the Courts of the District Moonsiffs of Nanguttypett and Darempoory.
78	Order thereon	29th Septr.	Authorize accordingly.
79	From the Senior Magistrate of Police.	24th Septr.	Solicits authority for the payment by him of Rupees 140, as remuneration for secret service rendered.
80	Order thereon	29th Septr.	Authorize accordingly.
81	From Major Wilson, Magistrate of Police.	25th Septr.	With reference to certain seamen, at present confined in the Penitentiary, who have volunteered to serve on board the Frigate "*Zenobia*" brings to notice that the contract between the Master of a ship and a seaman is not voided by the imprisonment of the latter, and submits that in cases like the present the Masters of the Vessels should be consulted in the first instance.
82	Order thereon	29th Septr.	Communicate to the Commissioner of Police, and direct him to report on all similar occasions whether the Masters of the ships to which the seamen belong, express any objection to their framing a new engagement.
83	From Mr. Harris, Commissioner under Act XIV of 1857, Chittoor.	22nd Septr.	Forwards the record of a case of gang robbery disposed of by him in the Act.
84	Order thereon	29th Septr.	Record the foregoing.
85	From the Inspector of Prisons.	5th Septr.	Submits for sanction an estimate for the erection of a work-shed within the walls of the Jail at Cuddapah, for the accommodation of a number of prisoners who are at present worked outside the walls, amounting to Rupees 570, and states that the adoption of his proposal for the employment of the Convicts within the Jail, will effect a saving of Rupees 300 per annum by the discontinuance of extra guards.
86	Order thereon	29th Septr.	Observe that the statements of Mr. Robdeare too general to warrant the sanction of the work-shed referred to, and desire to be furnished with further particulars on the subject.