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Read the following papers.

No. 44. From Colonel J. C. BOULDERSON, Commissioner of Police; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 15th October 1859, No. 133.

Home Department, Fort William, 29th April 1859, No. 1730.

1. With reference to the letter from the Government of Bengal, marginally noted, copies of which are appended, and the Order of this Government thereon, under date 24th September 1859, Judicial Department,* by which I am required to report in detail in respect to the manner in which I purpose to give effect to the instructions of the Supreme Government contained in the letter to your address from the Secretary of the Government of India adverted to, for the introduction of a much more economical system of clothing the Madras Police Force than that which now obtains, I beg respectfully in accordance therewith, to offer the following observations. The uniform now in use has been found during a long† course of years to answer its purpose well, it resembles the dress of the citizens, and yet bears a distinctive character which is readily recognizable. The material is of a cheap and serviceable kind, of the quality and description in common use by persons of the same class, and it is presumed that it has become so, because it is the cheapest and at the same time the most comfortable and lasting, that the inhabitants of this city can purchase; it is also cool and well suited to the climate.

* No. 1203.

† Upwards of 30 years.

2. A small saving may in time be effected averaging Rupees 395-4 per annum, by substituting a waist belt for the shoulder belt worn by the Peons, which change would also render the use of a sash unnecessary, thus making a further saving of Rupees 221-8 per annum, practicable; but on the other hand it would necessitate the provision of an entire set of waist plates, involving a probable cost of Rupees 1,581, at 3 Rupees each.

3. The long jackets in use are made up of long-cloth of the quality which was procurable before the late increase of duty on goods imported from England, at 8 Rupees per piece of 40 yards. The cost of each is 1 Rupee and 3 Annas. If the style of dress of the Peons is altered, and it be made of the stout material (American drill) of which the Marine Police dress consists and of the same shape, the cost will be nearly the same, but a saving can be effected in the amount of the estimate by allowing Detectives short, instead of long, long-cloth jackets, the cost of the former being each 1 Rupee and 3 Annas, and the letter 14 Annas.

4. The turban is formed of the most serviceable country head cloth used for that purpose that can be had, and the color is the most lasting known. Objection has been taken to the shape in which this article is worn, but that is a matter which can easily be altered. A form which will cost the men less to make up, may be introduced, but it will produce no saving, if an article of the same kind and quality be still supplied, I therefore propose to substitute a common and scanty head dress of red color, such as is now worn by the Madras Native Sapper Militia; the cost of which will be Rupees 1¼, instead of 2½ Rupees.

5. The trowsers now worn are made of American drill of the texture most in use, dyed red, which being an expensive color to fix, I purpose that in future the Peons shall wear black trowsers of the same description with those worn by Sepoys.

6. I propose also that sandals and helmets shall be no longer supplied, and that tunics be allowed to the Preventive Force only, the Detectives being supplied with a new cumbly every second, instead of every third year, and that the tunics be required to last five, instead of four years, and if care is taken to secure a supply of good broad cloth, I think this article of dress will last out five monsoon seasons, but in such case the cloth must be had out from England from a respectable House, because that which is usually procurable in the market here, is of very inferior quality, and would not last two years.

7. The cost of the clothing to the State may also be considerably reduced by the levy of a rate of a ¼ Anna per Rupee on the pay of each man, commencing in January 1860.

8. The probable cost of the clothing taken on an average of five years is given below, and following that you will find the items of the proposed new dresses of the lower grades of the Force, and the cost thereof. If this revised and economical system be adopted, the average annual saving on amount of former estimates, will be about Rupees 2,694-12-0.

Estimate for 1860.

	Rs.	A.	P.	
Former estimate.. ..	7,424	11	0	Foot Police only.
Revised do	4,729	15	0	
Decrease...	2,694	12	0	

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TABLE A.

Preventives.									Detectives.					
Constables.	Jemadars.	Daffadar Majors.	Daffadars.	Naigues.	Peons.	Conicopillays.	Overseers.	Total of Preventives.	Darogahs.	Talliar Naigues.	Talliars.	Hurkarrahs.	Total of Detectives.	Grand total of Preventives and Detectives.
14	7	10	33	44	437	8	*2	555	11	24	120	24	179	734

* By oversight omitted in Return made in May 1858.

TABLE B.

Items and cost of the proposed Clothing of the Police Force during five years, shewing the average cost per year.

No.	Articles.	1860			1861			1862			1863			1864		
		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
14	Surtouts	280	0	0	280	0	0	280	0	0	280	0	0	280	0	0
14	Lace badges	35	0	0	35	0	0	35	0	0	35	0	0	35	0	0
14	Crowns	21	0	0	21	0	0	21	0	0	21	0	0	21	0	0
1152	Long cloth jackets, long.	1,368	0	0	1,368	0	0	1,368	0	0	1,368	0	0	1,368	0	0
288	Do do short.	252	0	0	252	0	0	252	0	0	252	0	0	252	0	0
26	Pairs of 1st sort garments	91	0	0	91	0	0	91	0	0	91	0	0	91	0	0
100	Do 2nd do	300	0	0	300	0	0	300	0	0	300	0	0	300	0	0
240	Do 3rd do	600	0	0	600	0	0	600	0	0	600	0	0	600	0	0
1060	Do drill trowsers	927	8	0	927	8	0	927	8	0	927	8	0	927	8	0
532	Turbans	665	0	0	665	0	0	665	0	0	665	0	0	665	0	0
7	Do	17	8	0	17	8	0	17	8	0	17	8	0	17	8	0
445	Sashes re-coloring	83	7	0	.....			83	7	0	.....			83	7	0
527	Broad cloth shoulder belts for Preventives.	.....			1,581	0	0	.....			1,581	0	0	.....		
720	Cumblies for Detectives and Preventives	.....			990	0	0	.....			.....			.....		
448	Red cotton sashes for Peons	.....			221	8	0	.....			221	8	0	.....		
144	Broad cloth waist belts for Detectives	.....			.....			324	0	0	.....			.....		
7	Silk sashes for Jemadars.	.....			.....			49	0	0	.....			.....		
87	Do for Daffadar Majors	.....			.....			130	8	0	.....			.....		
532	Broad cloth tunics for Preventives	.....			.....			3,418	0	0	.....			.....		
7	Lace shoulder badges for Jemadars	.....			.....			.....			126	0	0	.....		
4	Do do for Daffadar Majors	.....			.....			.....			64	0	0	.....		
181	Cumblies for Detectives.	.....			.....			.....			248	14	0	.....		
539	Do for Preventives.	.....			.....			.....			.....			741	2	0
179	Skull caps for Detectives	89	8	0	.....			.....			.....			.....		
	Total of each year	4,729	15	0	7,349	8	0	8,561	15	0	6,798	6	0	5,381	9	0
	Grand total for five years	32,821	5	0												
	Average for one year	6,564	4	2												

TABLE C.

Average yearly cost of the dress of one Peon and one Talliar.

Average cost for clothing a Peon.					Average cost for clothing a Talliar.				
	Rs.	A.	P.			Rs.	A.	P.	
2 Jackets at 1 Rupee 3 Annas each	2	6	0	Annually.	2 Jackets at 14 Annas each.	1	12	0	Annually.
2 Drill trowsers at 14 Annas each	1	12	0		2 Garments at 2 Rupees 8 Annas each	5	0	0	
1 Turban	1	4	0		1 Skull cap	0	8	0	
Half-cost of a sash	0	4	0	Biennially.	Half-cost of a cumbly	0	11	0	Biennially.
Do of a shoulder belt	1	8	0		One-third cost of a waist belt	0	12	0	Triennially.
One-third cost of a cumbly	0	7	4	Triennially					
One-fifth cost of a tunic	1	4	9	Quinquiennially.					
Total Rupees	8	14	1		Total Rupees	8	11	0	

TABLE D.

Abstract of amount of pay drawn by those entitled to clothing, shewing the total amount per annum, and the sum that will be realized by the levy of a rate of 3 Pice per Rupee per man.

Number.	Rank.	Rate of pay of each man.			Total pay per month of each class.			Total pay per annum of each class.			Rate of stoppage at 3 Pice per Rupee.		
		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
14	Constables	50	0	0	700	0	0	8,400	0	0	131	4	0
7	Jemadars	31	0	0	217	0	0	2,604	0	0	40	11	0
10	Duffadar Majors	15	0	0	150	0	0	1,800	0	0	28	2	0
33	Duffadars	11	0	0	363	0	0	4,356	0	0	68	1	0
44	Naigues	9	0	0	396	0	0	4,752	0	0	74	4	0
80	Peons, 1st class	8	0	0	640	0	0	7,680	0	0	120	0	0
357	Do. 2nd do	7	0	0	2,499	0	0	29,988	0	0	468	9	0
8	Conicopillays	8	0	0	64	0	0	768	0	0	12	0	0
2	Overseers	21	0	0	42	0	0	504	0	0	7	14	0
4	Darogahs, 1st class	30	0	0	120	0	0	1,440	0	0	22	8	0
7	Do 2nd do	25	0	0	175	0	0	2,100	0	0	32	13	0
24	Talliar Naigues	12	0	0	288	0	0	3,456	0	0	54	0	0
39	Talliars, 1st class	9	0	0	351	0	0	4,212	0	0	65	13	0
39	Do 2nd do	8	0	0	312	0	0	3,744	0	0	58	8	0
42	Do 3rd do	7	0	0	294	0	0	3,528	0	0	55	2	0
1	Head Hurkarrah	17	8	0	17	8	0	210	0	0	3	4	6
1	Deputy do	14	14	0	14	4	0	178	8	0	2	12	8
22	Hurkarrahs	10	8	0	231	0	0	2,772	0	0	43	5	0
	Total	.....			6,874	6	0	82,492	8	0	1,288	15	2

9. I beg you earnestly to solicit the Government to sanction the revised estimate, amounting to Rupees 4,729-15 for the ensuing year, now submitted, and should any saving be effected by an alteration in the shape of the dress under the Orders of the Honorable the Governor in Council, the amount would as a matter of course be paid into the Treasury.

	Rs.	*A.*	*P.*
Former average rate per annum inclusive of Troop	11,181	9	6
Ditto ditto ditto exclusive of do.	9,227	6	5
Revised average rate exclusive of Troop	6,564	4	2
Decrease on former Estimate	2,663	2	3

10. By table D. annexed, you will find, taking the Force at the present strength, that the sum of Rupees 1,288-15-2, will be realized yearly by the stoppage of 3 Pice per Rupee, and

by table B, that the annual cost of the clothing, taking an average of five years, will be about Rupees 6,564-4-2, and if a stoppage of a ½ of an Anna be made from the pay of each man for clothing, the Government will on an average have to contribute yearly Rupees 5,275-5.

11. I do most earnestly entreat the Government to hesitate to do any thing which may tend to injure the morale, discipline, and good feeling of the fine Force which is now doing the heavy Police work of this populous city and its suburbs, and that they will bear in mind when this subject is before them, that every article of food and clothing, &c., has greatly increased in price since the year 1856, that the wages of artizans and labourers have also considerably risen, and that the lower order of Officers in the pay of Government, such as Peons, do not receive at the present time, so high a rate of wages as is paid by Householders and Tradesmen to those whom they employ, and that there is no prospect of improvement in that respect, but rather the contrary. I trust, therefore, that after mature consideration, the Government will be pleased to sanction the average yearly expenditure of Rupees 6,564-4-2 at the cost of the State, instead of adopting my counter proposal to levy a rate on the pay of the men, to supply a portion of the necessary funds.

12. A revised estimate for the clothing of the Marine Police Force, is also herewith forwarded, and when you submit it for sanction to His Excellency the Governor in Council, I beg you to favor me by calling to his recollection that the chief portion of the cost of this body is defrayed by the levy of a rate of 3 Annas on each cargo boat, under the provisions of Act No. XXVIII of 1858.

13. For reasons below given, I consider that clothing should be furnished to this establishment at the expense of the State entirely, and that no stoppage should be made from the pay of the men to cover any portion of the charge.

1st.—The service is not sought for, nor is it popular, and it is most desirable that it should not become less so.

2ndly.—It is already very difficult to get good men to enter it, and to retain them when enlisted; this arises from the constant exposure during all weathers, the frequent serious accidents which occur in crossing the surf and the great strictness with which the duty is necessarily enforced, in order to secure efficiency and give satisfaction to the mercantile community. Since the Force was raised [this time last year] one man has died of injury received when afloat, several have been severely, and some seriously hurt. The liability of these men to sustain serious injury may be judged from the fact, that during the last six weeks no less than 51 boats have been broken when crossing the surf.

3rdly.—The heavy wear and tear of the clothing, from the men being constantly afloat, wet and frequently capsized.

14. With respect to the clothing of this Force, therefore, I do earnestly beg you to impress upon the Honorable the Governor and the Members of the Government, that unless entire freedom from expense on that account is accorded to the members of the Force, I fear I may not be able to keep it up in its present efficient state. It is now a credit to the Government, and is considered by the mercantile community to be of invaluable service to them by preventing pillage by boatmen in the transit of goods between the vessels and the shore and vice versâ. It is my hope and expectation that the supply of clothing gratis to this body will secure the services of good and trustworthy men, and considering the responsible duty which this Force has to perform, I feel sure the Honorable the Governor in Council will be disposed to grant to it the privilege which I now solicit.

* All for the year 1860.

15. You will find appended revised estimates* for the clothing of the Peons employed at the Mint, and at the Clothing Board Offices, the cost of which will be debited to those Departments, and one also for the clothing of the Police Troop which has not been altered. With reference to this latter, you will observe, that I have indented for clothing for 12 Troopers under the sanctioned number, for the reasons given in my letter to Government, under date 22nd September last, in which I informed you that His Excellency the Governor had directed that 12 vacancies, which existed in the Troop when he inspected it, should not be filled up. I have carefully examined the cost of each article of clothing, included in this estimate, and find I am unable to suggest any reduction, the articles supplied to the men

	Rs.	A.	P.
Biennial cost.....	4,601	10	10
Average annual cost	2,300	13	5

are few in number, and considering that they are out on duty every other night, it is necessary they should be strong and serviceable, and keeping these necessary requirements in view, they are of the cheapest kind procurable.

No. 45. From Colonel J. C. BOULDERSON, Commissioner of Police; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 17th October 1859, No. 134.

With reference to the Proceedings of Government dated 5th Instant, No. 1359, Judicial Department, I have the honor to forward revised estimates for the Police Force noted in the margin, prepared on a more economical scale, in accordance with the instructions of Government communicated with Orders of the 24th Ultimo, No. 1293.

1. Foot Police....	4,729	15	0
2. Marine do.	1,127	8	0
3. Mint Guard....	105	2	0
4. Clothing Board	38	15	0
5. Mounted Police	2,612	5	5

2. I beg also to forward the estimate for the clothing of the Troop which has not been altered, amounting to Rupees 2,612-5-5, the amount of this estimate is higher than usual occasioned by the increased duty on articles exported. I request that the Sub-Treasurer may be directed to advance me the amount of these estimates, subject to adjustment on my furnishing bills for the actual charges passed by the Civil Auditor in each separate account.

3. I would beg leave to suggest that clothing for the mounted men be made hereafter by the Agent for Army Clothing, that C[illegible]ll be able to make it up much cheaper than I can.

4. Broad cloth for the men of th[illegible] the year 1860, has been got out from England by Lieutenant Mitchell, but it has co[illegible]ras anticipated, but the quality is so good that I consider it ought to last 16 months instead of one year.

No. 46. MINUTE by the HONORABLE the PRESIDENT.

I take this opportunity of submitting to the Council a separate demi-official correspondence I have had with Colonel Boulderson on the subject of the Town Police.

I entirely agree with that able and deserving Officer, that the high degree of security and confidence in which the population of Madras of all classes are living, cannot be too much appreciated; and that it would be unwise and short-sighted policy, in reliance upon the existence of this state, to impair the means by which it has been attained.

The increase in the rate of wages and the price of provisions, and the additional duty which has been imposed upon the Police by transferring to them guards previously furnished by the Military, are also important elements of the question.

There are, however, several savings which may be made without impairing the efficiency of the Police.

The most important of these is in their dress. On this point, I recommend that Colonel Boulderson be instructed to remodel the dress of the City Police on the general plan of that of the Marine Police, which is not only cheaper, but, in my opinion, more suitable and effective than the other.

I would, on no account, place the Police under stoppages for their dress. The plan of furnishing them, as part of their wages, with a plain suitable dress, such as is worn by the class of society to which they belong, is attended with much advantage; and, *including this*, they are by no means over-paid. It would be a breach of faith to take stoppages from the existing Policemen, and if it were insisted upon in reference to new appointments, a trifling saving would be obtained at the expense of chronic discontent.

The Mounted Force should be reduced from 80 to 50, as proposed by Colonel Boulderson, by eliminating the least valuable members of the Force, giving them proper gratuities.

I do not recommend any present reduction in the number of the Force beyond what will be obtained by not filling up vacancies until it is reduced to the authorised establishment. I never contemplated giving up any tanah, but I thought, and still think, that more Policemen are employed on many occasions than the case requires. By attention to this point, upon which I shall continue to communicate with Colonel Boulderson, I hope that some reduction may be effected.

(Signed) C. E. TREVELYAN.

Gindi, 20th October 1859.

No. 47. MINUTE BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

I think the expense of the City Police may be reduced as proposed by the President without injury to efficiency, but beyond that limit reductions are to be deprecated.

(Signed) PAT. GRANT.

20th October 1859.

From the Honorable Sir CHARLES TREVELYAN, K. C. B.; to Colonel BOULDERSON, Commissioner of Police, dated 13th September 1859.

I must express to you, the satisfaction with which I assured myself yesterday by a personal inspection of your Mounted Force and their Barracks, and also of your chief office, that all that relates to these establishments, is in a well-cared-for and efficient state. This is only what I expected from my previous observation of your management of the Police Force.

I am confirmed by what passed yesterday in the opinion that there ought, for the present, to be some reduction of the mounted portion of your Force by not filling up vacancies till it is reduced to a certain standard. This Police Cavalry was the creation of the late troubles. It is still (except the 12 vacancies you reported yesterday) at the maximum which was found necessary at that time. It is much the most expensive description of Police. Its uses are special and exceptional, and can easily be curtailed in times of tranquillity, as I know from my experience of the London and Irish Police, besides my previous 12 years' experience in India, and should troubled times again come, it can be easily raised to its former standard.

I, therefore, request that you will not fill up any of the 12 vacancies alluded to, and that you will carefully review the present appropriation of the Mounted Police and advise me to what number it may properly be gradually reduced by not filling up vacancies, with the understanding, that if circumstances should require that it should be again raised to the former or even to a larger amount, it will without hesitation be done.

Madras, 24th September 1859.

MY DEAR COLONEL BOULDERSON,

I have attentively read these papers, and the conclusions at which I have arrived, are, that the existing pecuniary advantages of the Madras Police ought not to be diminished, but that the expense of that Force must be reduced.

The clothing seems to me to be unnecessarily expensive and to be of a kind unfavorable to vigorous exertion. This is not merely my opinion, but has long been a subject of general remark. On the day when the first Pile of the new pier was screwed, I was struck by the appearance of superior handiness and agility of the Marine Police, which was chiefly owing to the difference of their dress. The dress which has been selected for the new Mufassal Police is also totally different from that of your Police, and they cannot *both* be right.

But the principal saving should be in the *number* of the men. I am confident from my experience of the Police administration in this and other countries, that we are *over-manned*. This is one of the most orderly and quiet populations in the British Empire, and there is at present no appearance of any thing likely to disturb the public tranquillity. What I desire is, that you should carefully revise the whole of your detailed arrangements, and see to what extent the number of subordinate posts and of men employed on those posts may be diminished. The men collected on particular occasions, as for instance at the Cathedral on Sunday, might, also, I think, be reduced. I would not give the men *more work to do*, but would diminish *the work they have to do*. There seems to me to be a *waste of labour*; and as the labour of our Madras Police must be of a costly kind, we ought to economise it.

The Mounted Police, the establishment of which, is, I believe, still at the maximum, considered necessary during the mutiny, ought to be *considerably* diminished. I am not aware that there is any such Force either at Bombay or Calcutta. There is a small mounted Force in London and in Ireland, but it does not bear nearly the same proportion to the Foot Police as your's does. If disturbed times come again, we might readily increase both horse and foot, and the horse accoutrements should be kept in store.

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I had rather that you should take the initiative in this matter than that it should be pressed upon you by the Government, and I therefore rely upon your giving your attention closely to it and furnishing me with a report soon after my return from the north.

(Signed) C. E. TREVELYAN.

From Colonel J. C. BOULDERSON, Commissioner of Police; to His Excellency Sir C. E. TREVELYAN, K. C. B., dated 15th October 1859, No. 135.

1. In obedience to the orders given in your letter to my address of date 24th September, I have the honor to submit the report therein called for, but I hope I may be permitted to say that I do so most reluctantly, since I feel that I cannot meet your wishes in taking the initiative in the matters to which you principally refer, without doing violence to my own convictions. I am deeply sensible of the kind intention with which you press me to suggest those measures, instead of waiting for the commands of the executive on the subject and beg to thank you accordingly, but in my humble opinion the reducing of the strength of the Police Force, of this populous city, is a step to be deprecated, because the number of men at present entertained is not in excess, it is not, I submit, greater than is necessary to keep up that orderly and peaceable conduct on the part of the inhabitants which has attracted your attention, and at the same time to suppress crime and promote the comfort and security of the inhabitants.

2. In copy of my letter to Government respecting the average annual cost of clothing the Police Force, you will observe that I have proposed a considerable reduction of expense amounting to about Rupees 2,663-2-3, on an average annually, and I do, therefore, hope that, upon mature consideration, you will reject my proposal to levy a tax on the pay of the men to cover a portion of the cost thereof and recommend that it shall be paid in full by the State; I encourage myself in that hope, because in the 1st paragraph of your letter you say "the existing pecuniary advantages of the Force ought not to be diminished." I would submit for your consideration, as an alternative to making any deduction from the pay of the Force on this account or diminishing their supply of clothing, whether it might not be advisable to obtain legal sanction for the levy of a small Force rate on the public.

Former annual average cost, Rupees	9,227	6	5
Revised do. do	6,564	4	2
Decrease.	2,663	2	3

Coachmen.	Rs.	A.	P.
2 Jackets	3	0	0
1 Cap	2	4	0
Belt	1	4	0
2 Trowsers	2	0	0
Total Rupees.	8	8	0

3. I presume to think that upon an examination of the cost of the articles supplied for the use of the men, you will not deem them unnecessarily expensive, the cost of the clothing of each Peon amounting only to Rupees 8-14-1 per annum. A reference to the prices of the articles given by people to their Horsekeepers and Coachmen, as stated in the Friend-in-Need Society's Report will, I think, settle that question.

4. With reference to the style of dress, I am not surprised that that of the Marine Police has obtained your approval, for it is certainly neat and well suited to the duties which they have to perform.

5. In my letter to Government you will observe that I have not recommended its adoption for the Land Force, but have left it to your Excellency to direct, and I did so because the saving of expense which that alteration in the uniform would make, would only be Rupees 616-12 per annum, whereas the immediate outlay for the purchase of waist plates, and buckles, would be very considerable, probably, Rupees 1,581, calculating the cost of each set at 3 Rupees, and allowing a small deduction for the value of the brass of the breast plates, and Number now in use, besides which, the change of uniform to that of the Marine Police will not be popular among men, who are proud of what they consider the stylish handsome dress which they now wear; but in my own judgment there is really no substantial reason why the change you propose should not be made, and so far as the alteration of the shape of the Turban goes, I shall rejoice at it, because the present shape, although distinctive, and much liked by the men, is not suited to heavy work, and it costs the wearers much to make up, viz., annas 2 every time.

6. We have attached to the Police Force at the present moment, 1 Duffadar, 2 Naigues, and 40 Peons, formerly Sepoys in the service of the late Nabab of the Carnatic, who were disbanded in October 1856. In June of the following year, 120 of these men were taken into pay

upon my recommendation, to save them and their families from absolute starvation, and to prevent them from being driven by absolute want, to procure food by unlawful means, which might at that period have been attended with disastrous consequences to many here, and in Mofussil Stations also, before substantial assistance could have been afforded. The effect was good, and I secured by it a degree of influence among that class of people, which I could not otherwise have obtained. A very large portion of this extra body has since been taken by me into the Police Force to fill vacancies, and thereby the original cost of it has been reduced from Rupees 800 per month to Rupees 333, but the number of Mussulmen on the Police Muster Roll is now so great, that I am unwilling to add to it, by taking any more of these extra men into the fixed establishment at present. Those men, or an equivalent section of the regular Force, now take the following guards, which have been transferred to the Police under your Excellency's orders.

Post Office,
Collector's Cutcherry,
Lunatic Asylum,
General Hospital.

Some of them are old and growing infirm, but the rest are still effective and likely to continue so for many years to come. They have now had more than 2 years' experience as Police Officers, and most of them have become efficient, and now do their work well, and with a good will. I beg respectfully to suggest that all those of this body who are capable of undergoing further service, should be allowed the option of transfer to the Mofussil Police, or of immediate discharge here, I am persuaded however none of them will volunteer for that service, nor will they be induced to enter it by persuasion, but they will remain here in harness so long as they can hope to draw their pay regularly, but that is all, and therefore the order, if given, must be decisive when they are disposed of, the guards taken by this number of men can again be taken by the Veterans.

7. Now with respect to the standing Force, you say you consider we are over-manned, because this is one of the most orderly and well conducted Towns in the British Empire, but that order and quietness are, I submit, chiefly the result of the labors of my predecessor, and of the influence which the Police through his good management obtained and have since then preserved. It is owing to the continued vigilance of the superior members of the Force, and the body of Policemen whom they have at their disposal, upon those frequent occasions when the inhabitants congregate for festive and other purposes, that such gatherings are usually unattended with offences, and that all who partake in them feel perfectly safe. But if that protective influence were weakened to any extent, by a reduction of the number of the Police, I fear that women and children would soon be afraid to trust themselves abroad on such occasions, attired in their best clothes and ornaments, as securely as they do at present. Madras has a large share of budmashes, thieves, pilferers, cheats, and clever rogues of all sorts as well as receivers of stolen property, and if the watch over persons of these classes is relaxed, as it necessarily must be if any material reduction of the Force takes place, I fear that they would both greatly increase in number, and be emboldened to pursue their evil courses. After a most careful and anxious review of the whole matter therefore in obedience to your Excellency's wishes, I do with deep earnestness beg your Excellency to consider whether it is not better to leave well alone, rather than risk the comfort and safety of the inhabitants of this densely peopled Presidency town to procure a small saving, which if effected, would actually not exceed the cost of a single Company of a Native Infantry Regiment during the year.

8. My predecessor, Mr. E. F. Elliot, in his letter to Government, under date 22nd March 1856, strongly advocated the increase of the strength of the Force, and gave his reasons for so doing, and the Force was accordingly raised to its present standard, and since that period, independent of the effect which the Rebellion has had on the minds of all classes, a strong and bitter feeling of hostility to us and our rule has sprung up, and is I fear growing in intensity, notwithstanding the outward show of quietude and peace. It must be remembered also that the railway and the increase of the trade of the port, have introduced into Madras a numerous class of men, both European and Native, who require constant looking after, as your Excellency most truly observed in your Minutes about the Jury question, and further the high price of food

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and the demand for labor has considerably increased the number of the lower and most excitable portions of our population. With respect to the decrease of the duties of the Force, that is not so easily effected, because if there is a call by the inhabitants for the presence of the Police, on certain occasions and at certain times and places, the call must be attended to, for if any thing went wrong through the absence of a sufficient force of Police, the onus would be thrown on them, blame would be heaped on their chief by all parties, and the chances are, he would be called severely to account. The situation in the city has ever been a most anxious and watchful one, and when I take into consideration the views which my predecessor after an unexampled experience had formed, regarding the requirements of the Force, I hope I may be excused for praying that any change which would tend to render the office more onerous to his successors should be avoided.

9. But your Excellency calls for certain information which I consider it is my duty to place before you, and having according to your desire, carefully revised the present disposition of the Force, I have prepared three tables, respectively marked A, B and C, in which you will find the following information.

A contains,

1. The strength of the Force prior to 1856.

2 & 3. The increase that year sanctioned, and disposal thereof.

4. The present strength of the Force.

5 & 6. The duty on which the members are employed.

The figures in red ink indicate the posts which, in my opinion, ought not to be reduced on any account and

Black ink total transferred to table B.

B gives,

1. The names and situation of some of our outlying and less important stations.

2. To which is added the last black ink total of table A marked.*

Table C shews the amount of pay drawn per annum by the men of the Force on duty at the subordinate Tannah Stations mentioned in table B, and in the last black ink total of table A and the saving that would be effected if all the stations mentioned therein be abandoned.

The average cost of each Tannah of the preventive Force is per annum, Rupees 468-0-0
and of each Talliar or Detective Tanah is per annum, Rupees 420-0-0

should your Excellency determine that the strength of our Force shall be reduced, I beg respectfully to recommend that the total number of men employed at the Tannahs which you may order to be no longer occupied as Police Stations be divided by three, that $\frac{2}{3}$rds be struck off and $\frac{1}{3}$rd retained to strengthen the Stations of Inspectors of Divisions and any particular post, so that they may have few men available for immediate duty in their respective divisions, should any emergent call for the presence of Police Officers be made to them.

10. In conclusion taking all things into account, I would rather with your permission that the responsibility which a reduction of the strength of the Force will entail, should rest with the Government and emanate from the Council Chamber, instead of being devolved on me. When the orders are issued, it will be the duty of the Officer who may be at the head of the Force at the time, to carry them out without hesitation or cavil, and then to turn his mind towards rendering the men left, as efficient as possible; I need scarcely add that will be my own course if it falls on me to execute them.

11. With respect to the Troop, I consider the retention thereof, at its present strength, principally in a political light, for immediate Police purposes, it cannot be considered *absolutely* and *essentially* necessary, but it affords to the inhabitants, (by means of the Patroles which are out every night) a degree of security and comfort which they have not before experienced, and its abolition would I feel persuaded prove the occasion of much public regret. The present sanctioned strength is 80 men, and although in my own judgment, a large diminution of it is far from desirable, yet in obedience to the strong opinion expressed by your Excellency on the subject, I suggest that the number may be reduced to 50, but maintained at that figure.

A.

Madras Police Force, exclusive of Troop and Marine Police.

	Preventives.														Detectives.				
	Inspectors.	Constables.	Jamadars.	Duffadar Majors.	Duffadars.	Naigues.	Conoopillays.	Peons.	Darogahs.	Talliar Naigues.	Talliars.	Herkarus.	Overseers.	
1. Strength previous to 1856	...	10	7	10	26	33	8	363	6	20	84	24	2	
2. Increase sanctioned in 1856	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
3. Distribution thereof.														
Commissioners' office	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Reserve Force	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Penitentiary over Transport prisoners	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Vepery Police Court	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Vepery Police Lock-up-house	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Town Police Court	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Rayapet Police Court	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
In six Jamadar's Taunahs one Peon each	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
In six Darogha's Tannahs one Talliar each	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
First Division Darogha's station	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Light House Tannah	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
2nd Division Middlegate tannah	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
3rd Division Darogha's tannah	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
3rd Division little Majeed tannah	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
5th Division Nunguinvaukum village tannah	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
6th Division Vasarvaday tannah	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
7th Division Cunnee Covil tannah	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
7th do new Washerpett tannah	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
7th Railway Bridge tannah	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
In each Division of Police one Inspector	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
In the the 2nd, 3rd and 7th division of Police, 1 Constable	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Total of figures in red ink		11	4	...	7	11	...	74	5	4	36	...	...	
* Total of figures in black ink		...	...	7	10	33	44	8	437	11	24	120	24	2
Total Increase sanctioned in 1856		11	4	7	10	33	44	8	437	11	24	120	24	2
Total of Present Strength		11	14	7	14	7	26	37	7	337	8	20	108	14
4. Total		11	14	7	10	33	44	8	437	11	24	120	24	2
5. Doing duty in Divisions of Police		...	4	...	...	7	7	1	100	3	4	12	10	2
6. Employed as guards at Jails and in attendance at the several Police Courts		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

(Signed) J. C. BOULDERSON,
Commissioner of Police.

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B.

Number.	Subordinate Tannahs of less importance than others.			Preventives. Duffadars	Naigues.	Peons.	Detective. Talliars Naigues.	Talliars.
1	Marine Villa	3rd	Division	...	1	4	...	...
2	Wallajah Bridge	,,	do	...	1	4	...	...
3	Burial ground	,,	do	...	1	4	...	...
4	Brodie castle, Adyar	4th	do	1	...	4	...	...
5	Cenotaph	,,	do	...	1	4	...	...
6	Mowbray road	,,	do	1	...	4	...	...
7	Sadur Court Yeldom's	,,	do	...	...	...	1	3
8	Sullivan's garden	,,	do	...	1	4	...	...
9	Cosapettah, Mylapoor	,,	do	...	1	4	...	...
10	Ice House, South Beach	,,	do	1	...	4	...	...
11	Codumbakum road	5th	do	1	...	4	...	...
12	Curcattacovil, Munro Bridge	,,	do	1	...	4	...	...
13	Crampton's, Perumboor	6th	do	1	...	4	...	...
14	Monegar Choultry	7th	do					
			Total	6	7	52	1	3
	Black Ink total brought from table A. marked*			3	6	42	...	...
	Grand total transferred to table C			9	13	94	1	3

C.

Pay drawn by Policemen included in the grand total of Table B.

No.	Rank.	Per month. Rs.	A.	P.	Per annum. Rs.	A.	P.
9	Duffadars at 11 Rupees each	99	0	0	1,188	0	0
13	Naigues at 9 Rupees each	117	0	0	1,404	0	0
94	Peons at 7 Rupees each	658	0	0	7,896	0	0
1	Talliar Naigue	12	0	0	144	0	0
3	Talliars at 7 Rupees each	21	0	0	252	0	0
	Total	907	0	0	10,884	0	0
120	$\frac{2}{3}$=80. Deduct $\frac{2}{3}$ of this amount, if $\frac{1}{3}$ of the number of men are retained to strengthen other tannahs				3,628	0	0
	Balance				7,256	0	0
	Add probable cost of clothing at Rupees 8-14-1 per man for $\frac{2}{3}$ of the total number of 120 men				710	6	8
	Total saving per annum which will be effected if 80 men are reduced				7,966	6	8

Madras,
Police Commissioner's Office,
15th October 1859.

(Signed) J. C. BOULDERSON, Colonel,
Commissioner of Police.

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No. 48. ORDER THEREON, 15th November 1859, No. 1556.

In his letter of the 15th Ultimo, recorded above, the Commissioner of Police reports in detail upon the manner in which he would propose to give effect to the instructions of the Supreme Government, that the system of clothing the Town Police should be on a very much more economical scale.

2. The Honorable the Governor in Council entirely agrees with the Commissioner of Police that the high degree of security and confidence in which the population of Madras of all classes are living, cannot be too much appreciated, and that it would be unwise and short-sighted policy, in reliance upon the existence of this state, to impair the means by which it has been attained.

3. Without, however, impairing the efficiency of the Police, there are several savings which may be made. The most important of these is in their dress. The dress of the City Police should be re-modelled on the general plan of that of the Marine Police, which is not only cheaper, but, in the opinion of His Excellency in Council, more suitable and effective than the other.

4. But the Government would on no account place the Police under stoppages for their dress. The plan of furnishing them, as part of their wages, with a plain suitable dress, such as is worn by the class of society to which they belong, is attended with much advantage; and *including this* they are by no means overpaid. It would besides be a breach of faith to take stoppages from the existing Policemen—and if it were insisted upon, in reference to new appointments, a trifling saving would be obtained at the expense of chronic discontent.

5. The only reduction in the number of the Force, which the Government at present contemplate, will be effected by not filling up vacancies, until the extra number, who continue to be kept in pay under the Order of the 2nd July last, No. 905, are absorbed into the authorised establishment.

Proceedings, 24th October 1859, No. 1436.

6. With respect to the Mounted Force, the Commissioner, it is observed, has already reported a reduction from 70 to 58 Troopers, by not filling up vacancies. He will now, as he proposes, further reduce the force to 50, including Constables and Troopers, by eliminating the least valuable members of the Force, giving them proper gratuities.

7. The Agent and Superintendent of Army Clothing will be requested to state whether he can undertake to supply clothing to the Mounted Police, which will in future be but 50 strong. Colonel Boulderson thinks that this can be done more cheaply by the Agent.

8. With these remarks, Government resolve to return the estimates submitted with the Commissioner's letter of the 17th Ultimo, excepting those for the Marine Police, respecting which, Orders will be passed in the Marine Department. Colonel Boulderson will submit fresh estimates prepared in accordance with these Orders. Government also sanction the estimate for the Mounted Police, subject to such saving as will result from the reduction of the strength to fifty men.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

No. 133

Madras Police Commissioners Office, 15th October, 1859.

From

Colonel S. C. Boulderson
Commissioner of Police

To

T. Pycroft Esqre
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

Home Dept.
Fort William
29th April 1859
No. 1730.

With reference to the Letter from the Government of Bengal marginally noted, copies of which are appended, and the Order of this Government thereon, under date 21st September 1859, Judicial Department, by which I am required to report in detail in respect to the manner in which I propose to give effect to the instructions of the Supreme Government contained in the letter to your address from the Secretary of the Government of India adverted to, for the introduction of a much more economical system of Clothing the Madras Police Force, than that which now obtains, I beg respectfully in accordance therewith to offer the following observations.

No. 1295.

The uniform now in use has been found during a long course of years to answer its purpose well, in respect to the

* upwards of 30 Years.

the dress of the Citizens, and yet bears a distinctive character which is readily recognizable. The materials is of a cheap and serviceable kind, of the quality and description in common use by persons of the same class, and it is presumed that it has become so, because it is the cheapest and at the same time the most comfortable and Lasting that the Inhabitants of this City can purchase; it is also cool and well suited to the climate.

2. A small saving may in time be effected averaging Rupees 39 5. 11. per Annum, by substituting a Waist Belt for the Shoulder Belt worn by the Peons, which change would also render the use of a Sash unnecessary thus making a further saving of Rupees 22 5. 8. per Annum practicable; but on the other hand it would necessitate the provision of an entire set of Waist plates, involving a probable cost of Rupees 1581, at 3 Rupees each.

3. The long Jackets in use are made up of Long cloth of the quality which was procurable before the late increase of Duty on Goods imported from England, at 8 Rupees

per piece of 40 Yards. — The cost of each is 1 Rupee and 3 Annas. — If the style of dress of the Peons is altered, and if the made of the stout materials (American Drill) of which the Marine Police dress consists and of the same shape, the cost will be nearly the same, but a saving can be effected in the amount of the Estimate by allowing Detectives short, instead of long Long cloth Jackets, the cost of the former being each 1 Rupee and 3 Annas, and the latter 1 1/2 Annas.

4. The Turban is formed of the most serviceable Country Head Cloth used for that purpose that can be had, and the color is the most lasting known. — Objection has been taken to the shape in which this article is worn, but that is a matter which can easily be altered. A Form which will cost the Men kept to make up, may be introduced, but it will produce no saving, if an article of the same kind and quality be still supplied. I therefore propose to substitute a common and scanty Head dress of red color such as is now worn by the Madras Native Sapper Militia; — the cost of which will be Rupees 1/4, instead of 2 1/2 Rupees.

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5. The Trowsers now worn are made of American Drill of the texture most in use dyed Red, which being an expensive Color to fix, I propose that in future the Peons shall wear Black Trowsers of the same description with those worn by Sepoys.

6 I propose also that Saudals and Helmets shall be no longer supplied, and that Tunics be allowed to the Preventive Force only; the Detectives being supplied with a new Cumbly every Second, instead of every Third year, and that the Tunics be required to last 5, instead of 4 Years, and if care is taken to secure a supply of good Broad Cloth, I think this article of dress will last out 5 Monsoon Seasons, but in such case the Cloth must be had out from England from a respectable House, because that which is usually procurable in the Market here, is of very inferior quality, and would not last Two years.

7 The cost of the Clothing to the State may also be considerably reduced by the levy of a rate of a 1/4 Anna per Rupee on

(They are under stoppages now of 1/2 anna in the Rupee on account of the Superannuation Fund - See S XVII Act XIII. 1858)

on the Pay of each Man, commencing in January 1860.

8. The probable cost of the Clothing taken on an average of 5 Years is given below, and following that you will find the Items of the proposed New Dresses of the lower Grades of the Force, and the cost thereof. - If this revised and economical System be adopted, the average Annual saving on account of Women Estimates, will be about Rupees 2,694: 12:-

Table A.

Estimate for 1860.
Women Estimate Rs 7,324 " 11 -
Revised Estimate " 4,629 " 15 1/4 "
Saving " 2,694 " 12 "

Preventives.									Detectives.					
Constables	Limdars	Dufadar Major	Dufadars	Naigues	Peons	Conveyances	Overseers	Total of Preventives	Daroghas	Sullan Naigues	Sullaires	Un Certain	Total of Detectives	Grand Total of Revenue and Detectives.
14	7	10	33	44	437	8	*2	555	11	24	120	24	179	734

* By oversight omitted in returns made in May 1858

Table B

Items and cost of the proposed Clothing of the Police Force during 5 years, showing the average cost per Year.

No.	Articles.	1860 Rs.	1860 A.	1860 P.	1861 Rs.	1861 A.	1861 P.	1862 Rs.	1862 A.	1862 P.	1863 Rs.	1863 A.	1863 P.	1864 Rs.	1864 A.	1864 P.
14	Serjeants	280	"	"	280	"	"	280	"	"	280	"	"	280	"	"
14	Lace Badges	35	"	"	35	"	"	35	"	"	35	"	"	35	"	"
14	Crowns	21	"	"	21	"	"	21	"	"	21	"	"	21	"	"
1152	Long Cloth Jackets — long	1368	"	"	1368	"	"	1368	"	"	1368	"	"	1368	"	"
288	— Ditto — Ditto — short	252	"	"	252	"	"	252	"	"	252	"	"	252	"	"
26	Pairs of 1st sort Gaimants	91	"	"	91	"	"	91	"	"	91	"	"	91	"	"
100	Ditto 2nd Ditto	300	"	"	300	"	"	300	"	"	300	"	"	300	"	"
240	Ditto 3rd Ditto	600	"	"	600	"	"	600	"	"	600	"	"	600	"	"
1060	Ditto Drill Trowsers	927	8	"	927	8	"	927	8	"	927	8	"	927	8	"
532	Turbans	665	"	"	665	"	"	665	"	"	665	"	"	665	"	"
7	Ditto	17	8	"	17	8	"	17	8	"	17	8	"	17	8	"
445	Sashes — recalculated	83	7	"	"	"	"	83	7	"	"	"	"	83	7	"
527	Broad Cloth Shoulder Belts for Rewardives	"	"	"	1581	"	"	"	"	"	1581	"	"	"	"	"
720	Cumblies for Detectives and Prosecutives	"	"	"	990	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
443	Red Cotton Jackets for Peons	"	"	"	221	8	"	"	"	"	221	8	"	"	"	"
144	Broad Cloth Waist belts for Detectives	"	"	"	"	"	"	324	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
7	Silk Sashes for Jemadars	"	"	"	"	"	"	49	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
87	Ditto for Daffadar Majors	"	"	"	"	"	"	130	8	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
532	Broad Cloth Tunics for Rewardives	"	"	"	"	"	"	3448	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
7	Lace Shoulder Badges for Jemadars	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	126	"	"	"	"	"
4	Ditto Ditto for Daffr Majors	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	64	"	"	"	"	"
181	Cumblies for Detectives	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	248	14	"	"	"	"
539	Ditto for Prosecutives	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	741	2	"
179	Skull Caps for Detectives	89	8	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
	Total of each year	4729	15	"	7349	8	"	8561	15	"	6798	6	"	5381	9	"
	Grand Total for 5 Years													32,821	5	"
	Average for One Year													6564	4	2

Table C.

Average yearly cost of the Dress of One Peon and One Tahsildar.

Average cost for Clothing a Peon.	Rs.	A.	P.		Average cost for Clothing a Tahsildar.	Rs.	A.	P.	
2 Jackets at 1 Rs 3 As each	2	6	"	Annually.	2 Jackets at 1 Rs 8 As each	1	12	"	Annually.
2 Drill Trowsers at 14 As each	1	12	"		2 Gaimants at 2 Rs 8 As each	5	"	"	
1 Turban	1	4	"		1 Skull Cap	"	8	"	
Half cost of a Sash	"	4	"	Biennially.	Half cost of a Cumbly	"	11	"	Biennially.
Ditto of a Shoulder Belt	1	8	"		Half cost of a Waist belt	"	12	"	Triennially.
One third cost of a Cumbly	"	7	4	Triennially.					
One third cost of a Tunic	1	4	2	Triennially.					
Total Rupees	8	11	1		Total Rupees	8	11	"	

Table D.

Abstract of amount of Pay drawn by those entitled to Clothing, shewing the total amount per Annum, and the sum that will be realized by the levy of a rate of 3 Pice per Rupee per Man.

No.	Rank	Rate of Pay of each Man Rs.	A.	P.	Total Pay Pr. month of each Class Rs.	A.	P.	Total Pay Pr. Annum of each Class Rupees	A.	P.	Rate of Stoppage at 3 Pice Pr. Rupee Rs.	A.	P.
14	Constables	30	"	"	700	"	"	8400	"	"	131	4	"
7	Jemadars	31	"	"	217	"	"	2604	"	"	40	11	"
10	Daffadar Majors	15	"	"	150	"	"	1800	"	"	28	2	"
33	Daffadars	11	"	"	363	"	"	4356	"	"	68	1	"
44	Naigues	9	"	"	396	"	"	4752	"	"	74	4	"
80	Peons 1st Class	8	"	"	640	"	"	7680	"	"	120	"	"
357	Ditto 2nd Ditto	7	"	"	2499	"	"	29988	"	"	468	9	"
8	Conicopillays	8	"	"	64	"	"	768	"	"	12	"	"
2	Overseers	21	"	"	42	"	"	504	"	"	7	14	"
4	Darogahs 1st Class	30	"	"	120	"	"	1440	"	"	22	8	"
7	Ditto 2nd ditto	25	"	"	175	"	"	2100	"	"	32	13	"
24	Tallier Naigues	12	"	"	288	"	"	3456	"	"	54	"	"
39	Talliars 1st class	9	"	"	351	"	"	4212	"	"	65	13	"
39	Ditto 2nd ditto	8	"	"	312	"	"	3744	"	"	58	8	"
42	Ditto 3rd ditto	7	"	"	294	"	"	3528	"	"	55	2	"
1	Head Hurkarahs	17	8	"	17	8	"	210	"	"	3	4	"
1	Deputy Ditto	14	14	"	14	4	"	178	8	"	2	12	"
22	Hurkarahs	10	8	"	231	"	"	2772	"	"	43	5	"
	Total				6874	6	"	82,492	8	"	1288	13	"

I beg you earnestly to solicit the Government to sanction the revised Estimate amounting to Rupees 4729: 15: for the ensuing year now submitted, and should any saving be effected by an alteration in the shape of the Police under the Orders of the Honorable the Governor in Council, the amount would as a matter of course be paid into the Treasury.

10 By Table III annexed you will find, taking the force at the present strength, that the sum of Rupees 1,288: 15: 2 will be realized yearly by the stoppage of 3 Pice per Rupees, and by Table IB that the Annual cost of the Clothing, taking an average of 5 years, will be about Rupees 6,564: 4: 2, and if a stoppage of a ¼ of an Anna be made from the Pay of each Man for Clothing, the Government will on an average have to contribute yearly Rupees 5,275: 5:—

11 I do most earnestly entreat the Government to hesitate to do any thing which may tend to impair the Morale, discipline, and good feeling of the Fire Force which is now doing the heavy Police work

On this framework of the Suburbs, and that they will bear in mind when this subject is before them, that every Article of Food and Clothing &c has greatly increased in price since the year 1856, that the Wages of Artizans and Labourers have also considerably risen, and that the Emolument, such as Coals, do not receive at the present time, so high a rate of wages as is paid by Householders and Tradesmen to those whom they employ, and that there is no prospect of improvement in that respect, but rather the contrary. I trust therefore that after mature consideration, the Government will be pleased to sanction the average yearly Expenditure of Rupees 6564: 4: 2 at the cost of the State, instead of adopting any counter proposal to levy a rate on the pay of the Men, to supply a portion of the necessary funds.

12 A revised Estimate for the Clothing of the Marine Police Force is also herewith forwarded and when you submit it for sanction to His Excellency the Governor in Council I beg you to favor me by calling to His recollection that the Chief portion

Enclosure No 1 — Estimate for 1860 R 1127: 8

Police Average rate per Annum 1859 Rs 3063-2-3
Police Average rate exclusive of Pay 1859 Rs 1288-15-2
Decrease on Salaries of Police 1859 Rs 5275-5-1

of the cost of this body is defrayed by the levy of a rate of 3 Annas on each Cargo Boat under the provisions of Act No. XXVIII of 1858.

13. For reasons below given I consider that Clothing should be furnished to this Establishment at the expense of the State entirely and that no stoppage should be made from the pay of the men to cover any portion of the charge.

1st. — The service is not sought for, nor is it popular, and it is most desirable that it should not become less so.

2nd. — It is already very difficult to get good Men to enter it, and to retain them when enlisted. This arises from the constant exposure during all weathers, the frequent serious accidents which occur in crossing the Surf, and the great strictness with which the duty is necessarily enforced, in order to secure efficiency and give satisfaction to the Mercantile community. — Since the Force was raised [this time last year] One man has died of injury received when afloat, several have been severely, and some seriously hurt. The liability of these Men to sustain serious injury may be judged from the fact, that during the last three Weeks no less than 20 Boats have been broken when crossing the Surf.

3rdly — The heavy wear and tear of the clothing from the men being constantly afloat, constantly wet and frequently capsized. —

III. With respect to the clothing of this Force therefore I do earnestly beg you to impress upon the Honorable the Governor and the Members of the Government that no less entire freedom from expense on that account is accorded to the Members of the Force, I fear I may not be able to keep it up in its present efficient state. It is now a credit to the Government, and is considered by the mercantile community to be of invaluable service to them by preventing pillage by Boatmen in the transit of Goods between the Vessels and the shore and vice versâ. It is my hope and expectation that the supply of clothing gratis to this body will secure the services of good and trustworthy Men and considering the responsible duty which this

Force

force has to perform, I feel sure the Honorable the Governor in Council will be disposed to grant to it the privilege which I now solicit.

15 You will find appended revised Estimates for the clothing of the Peons employed at the Mint, and at the Clothing Board Office, the cost of which will be debited to those Departments, and one also for the Clothing of the Police Troop which has not been altered. With reference to this Letter, you will observe that I have indented for Clothing for 12 Troopers under the sanctioned number, for the reasons given in my Letter to Government, under date 22nd September last, in which I informed you that His Excellency the Governor had directed that 12 Vacancies which existed in the Troop when the inspected it should not be filled up. I have carefully examined the cost of each article of clothing included in this Estimate, and find I am unable to suggest any reduction, the articles supplied to the Men are few in number, and considering that they are out on duty every other

* all for the year 1860.

R 105-2
Dr Smith
No 5 Fort
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Biennial cost	4601:10:10
Average Annual cost	2300:13:5

Estimate for 12 1860 R 261/2
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No 134.

Madras Police Commissr
Office 17th October 1859

From.

Colonel J. C. Boulderson
Commissioner of Police

To, J. Pycroft Esqre
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort Saint George.

Sir,

With reference to the Proceedings of Government dated 5th Instant No 1359, Judicial Department, I have the honor to forward Revised Estimates for the Police Force noted in the margin prepared on a more economical Scale in accordance with the instructions of Government communicated with orders of the 21st Ultimo No 1293.

1	Foot Police	1722-15-
2	Marine do	1127-8-
3	Mounted Guard	105-2-
4	Clothing Board	38-15-
5	Mounted Police	2612-5-5

From corrected Report on the Peons employed in this Office and from other Letter 15 Oct

2. I beg also to forward the Estimate for the Clothing of the Troop which

which has not been attained amounting to Rupees 2612-5-5 the amount of this Estimate is higher than usual occasioned by the increased duty on articles imported. I request that the Sub Treasurer may be directed to advance me the amount of these Estimates subject to adjustment on my furnishing Bills for the actual Charges passed by the Civil Auditor in each separate account.

3. Sir and Leg leave to suggest that Clothing for the Mounted Men be made hereafter by the Agent for Army Clothing that Officer will be able to make it up much cheaper than I can.

4. Broad Cloth for the men of the Troop for the year 1860 has been got out from England by Lieutenant Mitchell but it has cost more than was anticipated but

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Proceedings of the Madras Govt.

Read letters from the Commissioner of Police—Enter 15th & 17th October 1859 Nos. 133 & 134.

" Minute by the Hon'ble the President, with Papers accompanying—20th do.

do by H.E. the Commander in Chief—Oct/59

Order—15th November 1859. No 1556.

In his letter of the 15th Ult. recorded above, the Commissioner of Police reports in detail upon the manner in which he would propose to give effect to the instructions of the Supreme Govt, that the system of Clothing the Town Police should be on a very much more economical scale.

2. The Hon'ble the Governor in Council entirely agrees with the Commissioner of Police that the high degree of security & confidence in which the Population of Madras of all classes are living, cannot be too much appreciated, & that it would be

be unwise & shortsighted policy, in reliance upon the existence of this state, to impair the means by which it has been attained.

3. Without, however, impairing the efficiency of the Police, there are several savings which may be made. The most important of these is in their Dress. The Dress of the City Police should be remodelled on the general plan of that of the Marine Police, which is not only cheaper, but, in the opinion of H. E. in Council, more suitable & effective than the other.

4. But the Govt. would on account be unwilling to place the Police under stoppages for their dress. The plan of furnishing them, as part of their wages, with a plain suitable dress, such as is worn by the class of society to which they belong, is attended with much advantage; & including this, they are by no means overpaid. It would, besides be a breach of faith to take stoppages from the existing Policemen — & if it were insisted upon in reference to new appointments, a trifling saving would be obtained at the expense of chronic discontent.

The only reduction in the number of the Force, which the Govt. at present contemplate, will be effected by not-filling up vacancies, until the extra number, who continue to be kept in pay under the order of the 2nd July last No. 905, are absorbed into the authorized establishment.

With respect to the Mounted Force, the Commissioner, it is observed, has already reported a reduction from 70 to 58 troopers, by not-filling up vacancies. He will soon as he proposes, further reduce the force to 50, including Constable & 5 Troopers, by eliminating the

the least valuable members of the Force, giving them proper gratuities. Robt Bourdeau will report, [illegible] order, the manner in which he considers it can be carried into execution.

7. The Agent & Superintendent of Army Clothing will be requested to state whether he can undertake to supply clothing to the Mounted Police, which will in future be but 50 strong. Col. Boulderson thinks that this can be done more cheaply by the Agent.

8. With these remarks, Govt. resolve to return the Estimates submitted with the Commissr's letter of the 17th ultimo excepting those for the Marine Police, respecting which orders will be prepared in the Marine Dept. Col. Boulderson will submit fresh Estimates prepared in accordance with the orders. Govt also sanction the estimate for the Mounted Police, subject to such saving as will result from the reduction of the strength to fifty men.

The Commissioner of Police – with 5 Estimates returned.
" Marine Dept – with the Estimates
" Inspector General of Police
" Superintendent & Agent for Army Clothing
" Civil Auditor

Judicial Letter to Wigay —
May. № 18 of 1860.

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