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No. 88. Read the following letter from Colonel J. C. BOULDERSON, Commissioner of Police, to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 19th October 1860, No. 124.

1. I have the honor to forward for submission to Government for sanction, a revised set of Rules and Regulations for the Government of the Penitentiary.

2. The Rules which it is proposed to alter are written in red ink.*

* *Printed in Italics.* The rules at present in force are contained in the printed copy, herewith also sent.

Revised Regulations and Orders to be observed at the Madras Penitentiary.

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It shall be his duty, to visit the Wards daily to ascertain that they are properly cleaned:

To regulate the duties of the Jail Guard:

To inspect the prisoners detailed for work:

To send all those who may appear sick or delicate to the Hospital for examination; and

To ascertain that the food of the prisoners is properly cooked, and fairly distributed.

4. *The Cells shall be locked up and properly secured every evening at 20 minutes after sunset, by one of the European Officers of the Jail, after he has ascertained that the number of prisoners is correct, and they shall not be opened again, except in cases of emergency, until half an hour before sun-rise the next morning, and on no account shall they be at any time opened except in the presence of one of the European Officers of the Jail.*

5. *As a general rule the outer gate of the Prison shall be kept closed and locked and all persons entering or leaving the Jail shall pass through the wicket.*

6. Each prisoner shall, on admission, be strictly searched and shall be deprived of all knives, sharp instruments, weapons or articles calculated to facilitate escape, and as soon after admission as possible, shall be examined by a Medical Officer. He shall be shaved, his hair cut, and his body well washed. The hair of no female prisoner however, nor of a prisoner by default, shall be cut or shaved, unless a Medical Officer deems it necessary on account of vermin, dirt, or sickness.

7. The Superintendent shall note down in the Admission Register, each prisoner's name, age, height, features, colour, caste, religion, country, &c., &c., and any particular marks he may have on his person.

8. *The Superintendent shall cause each prisoner on admission, to be informed of the general Rules, Regulations and Standing Orders of the Prison, and a printed copy thereof, translated into the Vernacular languages, shall be hung up in the Guard-room, in each Ward, and in other parts of the Prison.*

The Superintendent shall provide each post with an order board on which the particulars of that post will be inserted.

9. In the Property book, an entry shall be made of all the clothes, monies, and other effects, which each prisoner may possess, or that may be afterwards sent to the prisoner for his use. The Superintendent shall take charge of them for safe custody only, in view to the same being restored to each prisoner on his dismissal.

10. He shall provide employment of some kind, equal to hard labor, for all prisoners sentenced to imprisonment with hard labor, and the hours of work shall be from 8 A.M. to 5 P.M., allowing for rest an interval of one hour about noon.

11. *He may permit convicted prisoners to see their relations in a convenient place after the expiration of the first month of their imprisonment in the presence of an Officer of the Prison, but their visits shall be limited to a quarter of an hour, once a week.*

Default prisoners shall be allowed a greater liberty in this respect, in order to give them an opportunity of making arrangements for their release from Jail.

12. The Superintendent shall read all letters received or despatched. He shall also take care that no food, liquor, intoxicating drug nor gaming implements of any kind, are introduced, into the Jail, either by the prisoners' friends or by the Officers or servants of the Jail.

13. *As a general rule, the Superintendent shall close the Prison doors against all visitors, except the Governor, Members of Council, Judges of the Supreme Court, the Chief and other Secretaries to Government, Justices of the Peace, the Sheriff of Madras, and persons having an order of admission from the Commissioner of Police.*

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II. Do. of Supreme Court do. do.
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VIII. Contingent Charges Bill of the Penitentiary.
IX. List of the Jail Guard.
X. Register of Officers of the Jail Guard who become absent by sickness or absent on leave or otherwise, and the name of the substitute sent to act in their stead.
XI. Indent on the Commissary General for provisions required for prisoners in the Penitentiary.
XII. Daily report of the Penitentiary.
XIII. *An Order Book, in which he shall insert all the orders from time to time issued by the Commissioner of Police, which have reference to his charge.*
XIV. *A book shall also be kept at the Penitentiary, for the visiting Justices, the Sheriff, the Chaplains, the Medical Officer of the Prison and all visitors, to record therein the date of their visit, their opinion of the discipline and the interior economy of the Jail, and any thing deserving of remark which they may desire to note.*

15. The Superintendent shall at all times receive any complaints or applications of a prisoner, and make the same known to the Commissioner when he forwards his daily reports, or earlier, if emergent.

16. Any prisoner who shall disobey the orders of the Commissioner of Police, the Superintendent or any Officer of the Jail, or shall treat any of the Officers of the Prison with disrespect or shall be liable or negligent in his work, or shall wilfully mismanage the same, or shall wilfully injure any thing belonging to the Establishment, or disobey any of the Rules of the Prison, shall be subject to punishment under the orders of the Commissioner of Police, by confinement to a Solitary Cell on half rations for any period not exceeding fourteen days for each offence, or by his being placed on half rations for any period not exceeding six days.

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17. In cases of misconduct of one or more prisoners, the Superintendent shall place them in confinement until he obtains the orders of the Commissioner of Police regarding them.

18. The Superintendent is not allowed any discretion as to the enhancement or lessening of any punishment awarded.

19. All property surreptitiously introduced into the Prison by the prisoners, or afterwards found upon them, shall be forfeited, and a list of the property so forfeited shall be submitted to Government half-yearly. Perishable articles only shall be sold at once, the rest shall be safely kept until the Orders of Government regarding their disposal, are received.

20. All prisoners who are committed for examination or for trial only shall be allowed to see their legal advisers at all reasonable hours, and in private if required, unless the Committing Magistrate shall have issued an order to the contrary. Such legal adviser must be a certified Attorney or Solicitor.

21. *All prisoners sentenced to imprisonment for life or for a long period by a Superior Court, shall be required to take as much air and exercise in the Prison yard, as may be necessary for their health, or as may be recommended by the Surgeon.*

II. It will be the duty of the Superintendent to take measures and to use every precaution to prevent the escape of prisoners during that period, and to prevent each prisoner from mixing with offenders committed only for short periods. Juvenile offenders shall be kept in a separate Ward, and shall be sent to the Jail School Master daily for instruction.

22. No person between sun-rise and sun-set shall be allowed to enter or pass out of the Jail, except by special permission of the Superintendent.

DIET.

23. All prisoners shall be clothed and dieted at the expence of Government but clothing and diet so furnished, shall be liable to such alterations and changes, as the Surgeon may think proper, for the health of any particular prisoner.

24. The following is the quantity of wholesome food which shall be served out to several classes of prisoners, and it shall be strictly enforced in all cases, unless differently advised by the Medical Officer.

For one European.

½ oz. of tea	1 oz. of onions.
½ oz. of sugar.	⅛ oz. of mint and parsley.
2 drams of milk.	$\frac{1}{10}$ oz. of pepper.
1 lb of bread.	⅜ oz. of country greens.
12 oz. of meat.	⅛ oz. of salt.
$2\frac{3}{4}$ oz. of rice.	Fire-wood 2 pice and 80 cents.

For one European Child.

Half of the above rations.

For one Native.

$5\frac{1}{2}$ ollocks of rice.	$\frac{1}{30}$ measure of salt.
$\frac{6}{20}$ pollams of chillies.	12 cents of curry-stuff.
$\frac{1}{40}$ pollams of pepper.	96 cents of curries.
$\frac{5}{4}$ pollams of tamarind.	100 cents of fire-wood.

For one Native Boy.

Half of the above rations.

Clothing.

25. *Each European or East Indian prisoner shall be supplied with a Prison dress of the same kind as is now usually given to the Inmates of a Government Hospital.*

Males.		*Females.*	
1 *white shirt,*	3 *times a week.*	1 *white blouse,*	*once a week.*
1 *Gingham trowsers,*		1 *do. shift,*	
1 *Flannel shirt,*	*once a weak.*	1 *pair of slippers,*	*...when required.*
1 *Gingham coolah,*		1 *quilt,*	*...once a week.*
1 *pair of shoes,*	*...when required.*	*Bed and pillows,*	*...when required.*
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26. *Each Native male prisoner shall be supplied with* 1 *cumbly,* 1 *mat, and* 1 *dovatee, and* 1 *common coolah; and each Native female prisoner with* 1 *cloth and* 1 *mat.*

Chaplain.

27. A Chaplain shall visit the Jail, at least once every week, and he shall perform Divine Service there, according to the Litergy of the Church of England. He shall hold Communication with the Christian prisoners, visit the sick, instruct them in their moral duties, and give them spiritual advice and religious consolation.

28. Roman Catholic and Dissenting Ministers shall be allowed to visit prisoners of their respective persuasions, at the request of such prisoners.

29. *The Jailor shall set apart a room for the special use of the Chaplain, and other Ministers of religion for the performance of religious worship.*

Signature of the Chief Secretary.

STANDING ORDERS.

1. The Police guard on duty at the Penitentiary, is placed under the orders of the Superintendent, and the Commissioner of Police holds him responsible for the discipline, efficiency and cleanliness of all men under his orders.

2. The number of Sentries that may be required daily will, of course, depend upon the number of prisoners under confinement. It shall be his duty, therefore, to detail the number of men required daily, and to post the parahs according to his own discretion.

3. *The Sentries shall never be relieved except in the presence of a Daffadar or Naigue, who as well as the Sentry shall be held responsible that every thing is correct at the time of making the relief.*

4. *The Sentries shall be relieved every second hour between* 8 *P. M. and* 6 *A. M. by the Daffadar or Naigue on duty.*

5. *The Supreme Court prisoners shall not be allowed to leave the yard in which their Cells are situated, until the other prisoners have been marched off for work.*

6. *Prisoners under sentence of imprisonment only, or defaults, shall be taken out of their Wards daily at certain hours, for air and exercise.*

7. *The two European Officers of the Jail and the Daffadar Major shall each take two hours duty every night.*

8. The Peon on parah at the entrance gate of the Jail shall keep a memorandum of the number of prisoners passed out for work, and on their return they shall be counted as they re-enter the Jail, when the Daffadar, or the Naigue of the guard shall search, or cause each prisoner to be searched, in order to prevent any forbidden articles being introduced.

9. It is the duty of the guard sent out with working parties to prevent the prisoners from receiving any thing, or speaking to any person while at work. Singing and shouting is also prohibited.

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13. *Prisoners must not be allowed liberty of movement within the walls of the Prison unattended.*

14. *Prisoners desiring to see the Medical Officer should be taken to the Hospital, one or two at a time, and others should not be allowed to go there until those first sent have returned.*

Signature of the Chief Secretary.

No. 89. ORDER THEREON, 10th November 1860, No. 1,463.

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(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
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