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Government of Madras.

*Judicial* DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,  
for the month of April 1860.*

No. 16. Read the following Despatch from the Right Honorable Sir C. WOOD, Bart., Secretary of State for India, to His Excellency the Honorable the Governor in Council at Fort Saint George, dated London, 15th March 1860, No. 8.

*Madras.*  
Letter 4th October (No. 37) 1859.  
" 22nd " ( " 41) "  
" 4th November ( " 42) "  
" 24th " ( " 48) "

1. Your several letters noted in the margin on the case of Mr. C. W. Reade of the Madras Civil Service, have been laid before me in Council.

2. On a careful consideration of the proceedings of the Commission appointed to investigate the charges against Mr. Reade, as prepared under the Orders of your Government and of the papers which accompany your letter No. 48 of the 24th November last, Her Majesty's Government are of opinion that the evidence and statements therein contained are not sufficient to substantiate the first three charges.

3. The fourth and last charge is clearly proved by Mr. Reade's own admissions that, on several occasions, he purchased several articles from the Rajah of Vizianagaram, a landed proprietor within his jurisdiction, in violation of the Rule which strictly prohibits such transactions.

4. This breach of duty—a serious offence in an officer of Mr. Reade's standing and experience—is greatly aggravated by the attendant circumstances. He allowed the horses, which he alleges that he purchased in September 1857, to be wholly kept at the Rajah's expense till November 1858; he did not pay for them, (nor for the mirrors or the tent,) until he was apprised that his pecuniary transactions with the Rajah had been brought under the notice of your Government; and ante-dated cheques were then sent by Mr. Reade to the Rajah.

5. Her Majesty's Government fully approve of your having removed Mr. Reade from the office of Collector and Magistrate and Agent to the Governor of Fort Saint George in the District of Vizagapatam, and having suspended him from public employ until Her Majesty's pleasure in the case shall have been signified. Her Majesty's Government direct that his suspension be continued for a period of two years from the date of his removal from office, after which his future employment will be at the entire discretion of your Government. It need scarcely be added that Mr. Reade should not again be employed in the District of Vizagapatam, or in any of the neighbouring Districts.

6. Her Majesty's Government are further of opinion that the interests of the Public Service require the removal of Dr. Blackwell from that District. Your Excellency is accordingly requested to remove him to some other District, or place him at the disposal of the Commander-in-Chief.

7. Her Majesty's Government regret that the early proceedings in this case were not conducted in the form usual on such occasions. Had your Government held a preliminary investigation apprising Mr. Reade of the accusations against him, and affording him an opportunity of explaining to the Government, through its official organ, the matters in which his conduct was impugned, it is probable that the appointment of a Commission for judicially enquiring into the case might have been dispensed with; or, if on the other hand a Commission was still considered necessary, its proceedings would have been based on public and unobjectionable grounds.

No. 17. ORDER THEREON, 21st April 1860, No. 482.

The first six paragraphs of the above Despatch will be communicated to the Commissioner, Mr. Phillips, and to the Offices of Audit and Account.

2. The sixth paragraph will be communicated also to the Director General, Medical Department, to the Private Secretary to the Honorable the Governor, and to the Military Department.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,  
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

Judicial Department.

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Despatch from the Secretary of State ———— *Read the following*  
Enter 15<sup>th</sup> Mar. '60 No. 8.

Order thereon 21<sup>st</sup> April 1860. No 482.

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Mr. H. S. Phillips.  
civil auditor.

The Director Genl. Medl. Dept.  
" Private Secy. to the Honble the Govr.  
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Further despatch from the Secy of State of 22<sup>d</sup> Aug 1857 of 1860.

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