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Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,

16th June 1860.

No. 108. Read the following letter from Colonel J. C. BOULDERSON, Commissioner of Police, to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 13th June 1860, No. 63.

1. I have the honor to forward for the consideration of the Honorable the Governor in Council, a letter addressed to me by Lieutenant Mitchell, Superintendent of the Mounted Police Troop, on the subject of obtaining Remounts for the men of that body from the stock of Government horses at Usúr, many of which, it is understood, are about to be sold. At the same time, I beg leave to recommend his suggestions to the most favorable consideration of Government.

2. It appears to me eminently desirable that the present opportunity of replacing a large portion of the old cast horses now in use, by some of better description, should not be lost. Those horses were drawn from the Native Cavalry Corps, in a time of emergency, when it was requisite to accept almost any thing that offered, without regard to selection, and although the great care taken of them by the Troopers, has kept them until now, in excellent condition, and in a tolerably serviceable state, they are certainly not well up to the work required of them. With three or four exceptions all are old animals, many 15 years of age and upwards, and are consequently daily growing less efficient. They are likewise too small to carry the large built Europeans, of whom the Troop mainly consists, as pointed out by Lieutenant Mitchell, and the risk of accident is therefore great. It is indeed not at all an unfrequent thing for them to fall with their riders.

3. Under these circumstances, I beg leave to suggest that at least a moiety of the Troop horses may be replaced by younger and more capable animals, chosen from the superfluous Government stock at Usúr.

4. The Troop now consists in all of fifty men, *i. e.*, ten Constables and forty Troopers, and I trust the Honorable the Governor in Council will be pleased to sanction a large grant of fresh horses for their use. Those now on hand might be sold for draught purposes, and in all probability advantageously, as they are in excellent condition, and quite fit to run in harness, although unequal to the weight of heavy Europeans, I have no doubt but that the Livery Stable Keepers and others who let out Vehicles, would gladly purchase them at their full value, so that Government would not be losers by the transaction, while the efficiency of the valuable Mounted branch of the Police force, would certainly be very much increased.

From Lieutenant J. MITCHELL, Superintendent, Mounted Police, to the Commissioner of Police, Madras, dated 11th June 1860, No. 11.

It is rumoured that Government have at Ossoor, a much larger supply of horses than is now required, and that a considerable number will probably be offered for sale to the public.

It has occurred to me that it might be (at least) equally advantageous to Government if the Police Troop was mounted on some of those horses. Those we now have are worn out, and generally much too small to carry large built Europeans. If I mistake not, it was a matter of necessity mounting the Troop in this way, but it is on many accounts desirable, that better horses should be supplied than those received from the Native Cavalry, and it appears to me there could be no better time than the present for doing so. Will you kindly take this into consideration, and if you deem it proper forward my suggestion for consideration of Government.

No. 109.

ORDER THEREON, 16th June 1860, No. 754.

Resolved, that the Remount Agent at Ossoor be directed to supply 50 horses for the service of the Madras Mounted Police, their value to be charged to the Civil Department. It appears to Government that it is very desirable that the whole body should be well mounted.

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Exd. F. Cartledge.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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