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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Judicial **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department, 26th August 1861.

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Officiating Civil Paymaster.

To Major W. J. Wilson, Commissioner of Police, Madras.

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Rupees...	230	4	0

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(Signed) J. D. SIM,
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Exd. T. O'Connor.

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(True Extract.)

Secretary to Government.

To the Commissioner of Police, with Treasury Order for Rupees 230¼.
„ Civil Auditor.
„ Sub-Treasurer.
„ Accountant General.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

TREASURY ORDER.

Judicial Department

No. 997

Dated 7th August 1861.

To

THE SUB TREASURER,
Fort Saint George.

SIR,

I am directed to request that you will pay to the Commissioner of Police, Madras,

the sum of Company's Rupees 24/-13-/ Two hundred and forty seven and Annas Twelve/

on account of the Salaries of certain establishments of the Mounted Police and the Penitentiary from April to July 1861 /Vide Pro: of this date and number/

Registered
No.
Dated

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

J D Sim

~~Chief~~ Secretary to Govt

N. B. This Order must be registered before payment.—
By the Accountant General, if an advance or payment on account.
By the Civil Auditor, if for a payment of the description usually requiring audit.

Memo.

The Civil Auditor has passed the pay of the Choudries for April last, altho' the item was omitted from the Budget. As April salaries are charged to the grant for '61-62, it would be more correct for the Civil Auditor to revise the audit of the April Abstract of the Mounted Police, than for the Govt. to issue a "revised Treasury Order."

A system that grows up of refusing audit for items not

not entered in the Budget, altho' the Budget sanction is scarcely diminished & still unexhausted. To meet these refusals of audit, the Govt. are required to pass orders for advances. These advances are for the occasion carried to a suspense account, on the understanding that they are to be written off to the proper heads of acct. when the Govt. of India's sanction the

Supplemental Budget & the Civil Auditor audits those charges. This audit will of course be after payment.

In the matter of the increase of pay to the Hindustani Interpreter of the Small Cause Court, a wider sense was insisted on; the Budget provision was not to be scanned item for item. It was sufficient

sufficient that there were funds somewhere in the same department of the services.

To take the case of the Mounted Police — after April's abstract had been passed, there remained Rs. 31965 out of the Budget grant — yet the pay of the Choudries Rs. 178 was struck out of the May abstract.

Budget grant for the entire year — 34,890
Less passed in April — 2,925
Rs. 31,965

It would not be incorrect if the pay of these men were passed regularly month after month out of the Budget grant for the Mounted Police establishment, leaving the amount of the Supplement Budget for the Choudries, when sanctioned, to supplement the deficiency in the 12th or last month of the year.

If this view be adopted & carried out generally by there will be no needless interruptions in auditing Pay Abstracts or passing Contingent Bills — Salaries will be regularly disbursed — while orders for advances will not be incessantly applied for — & the numerous entries to "Unadjusted charges" & the

the transfers hereafter to the proper heads of account will all be unnecessary — & there will be a corresponding saving of time & trouble.

It is just possible too that the Govt. may be issuing Treasury Orders, & the Collectors may be making advances for charges, which

when brought to audit, may be objected to & retrenched. In fact, the advantage of preaudit is altogether set aside in regard to all the entries in the Supplemental Budgets.

The Budget system seems intended solely to secure accurate Estimates being

being annually submitted of Cash Expenditure, while in the way it is which it is now worked, it is made to interfere seriously with the established system of Audit & Acct. and be a nuisance & stumbling block in every one's

The call in preston need
not be delayed. last send
this memo to Mr Pycroft
for his remarks - which will
be of use here after.
My idea is that
we must first have
at the Items in the Bud-
get A. B. C - are fully covered -
if so - we may take any
Surplus - the Items ascertained
by over-estimate - or subsequent
saving in A. B. C. for R. 2.7
or any other items entered or not
entered, connected with that Service -
But we cannot take funds from
the Budget for fresh items, knowing
that we shall or may thereby create
a deficiency in the Sums set apart
for Items in it. J. A.S.

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Proceedings of the Madras Govt.

Read letter from the
Commissioner of
Police ____ Jated 16 Augt 61 No 95

Order - 26th August 1861 No 1071

Ordered that the
Treasury Order re-
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above letter be can-
celled, & that a
fresh Order for
Two Hundred &
Thirty Rupees &
Four Annas be
furnished to the
Commissioner of
Police

Treasury Order returned ____ 247.12..
Despatch of the Mounted Police Choultries for April '61 ____ 17.8...
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I. D. S.

15-10-10

The Commr. of Police -
With Treasury order for Rs. 230¼.
" Civil Auditor.
" Sub Treasurer.
" Accts. Genl.
Mdy 9th

Judicial 1861 Sept.

No. 1071.

Proceedings of Govt.

2/26th Augt. 1861

Fo. No. 1464-

Furnishing the Commissioner of Police with a fresh Treasury Order for Rs 230-4- the former Order No 997 of 7th August 1861 for Rs 247-12- being Cancelled on account of the Salaries of certain establishments of the Municipal Police & the Penitentiary from 1st May to July 1861. The Civil Auditor requested to state against what provision in the sanctioned Budget the pay of the chowdries for April last have been passed by audit and also whether it will be sufficient if the Commissioner of Police provides in his Suppl. Estimate for their pay for eleven Months instead of for the entire year

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