

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	<i>43</i>	Press
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Dated	<i>14.1.1861</i>	<i>19</i>

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
14th January 1861.*

No. 56. Read the following Despatch from the Right Honorable Sir C. WOOD, Bart., Secretary of State for India, to His Excellency the Honorable the Governor of Fort Saint George, in Council, dated London, 8th December 1860, No. 42.

Your letter dated 10th August (No. 27) 1860, urging compliance with your special indent for carbines with the sword bayonet, for the use of the Madras Police, has been laid before me in Council.

2. In reply I have to observe that the arms objected to by Government are carbines with bayonets of the approved pattern for the Native Foot Police of India. They are light and handy weapons, and considered by competent judges to be peculiarly well adapted for Native Police. To supply a smooth bore carbine with sword bayonet would be to introduce into the service a new description of arms at considerable additional expense, for which I am of opinion that no sufficient ground has been shewn.

3. Should it be considered necessary to arm the Police with swords, in addition to carbines, it appears to me that there would be no difficulty and very little expense in issuing to them some of the many swords which must have been confiscated and come into the hands of the Government.

No. 57. ORDER THEREON, 14th January 1861, No. 43.

Resolved that a copy of the above Despatch be furnished to the Inspector General of Ordnance, who will be so good as to state whether he has, or expects to have, available for the Madras Police, *Carbines* such as those referred to by the Secretary of State. It is observed that the Inspector General of Police states that the Arms shown to him as part of his Indent by the Inspector General of Ordnance were not *Carbines* but *Fusils* precisely the same as are used by the Non-Commissioned ranks in the Native Army.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Encd. F. Cartledge.

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