

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
23rd July 1862.*

No. 219. Read the following letter from W. ROBINSON, Esq., Inspector General of M. Police; to A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Esq., Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 26th June 1862, No. 1,356.

General Department.

With reference to the Government Order dated 25th June 1862, No. 991, Judicial Department, I have the honor to report that the Government of Madras resolved that lodging should be provided for the Police at public cost. Rent at a rate not exceeding 10 Rupees or the prime cost of the hut being charged for the same.

2. No other plan was possible with a force scattered in posts over a country in whose villages no shelter is procurable, the members of which are liable to relief and change of station.

3. The condition of the Madras Army is so well known that it is only necessary to add that the men of the Police are recruited from the same classes. They must have huts in which their families can reside with them. The hut is after all a single room 12 feet x 10 feet and a small court yard.

4. The Calcutta Police Commission of 1861 adopted the following proposition:

"46. That quarters should be provided for the Police at the cost of the State; and
"that the accommodation of the families of the Police should be discretionary
"with the local Government."

5. The latter Clause was drawn specially to enable local Governments to suit the accommodation to the habits of the country for which they are providing Police. In Madras, Government had long before admitted the necessity of providing for the families of men.

No. 220. To the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, dated Fort Saint George, 23rd July 1862, No. 1,161.

Adverting to Lieutenant Colonel Strachey's letter addressed to the Secretary to this Government in the Public Works Department, under date the 22nd May last, in which it is observed that no expenditure should be permitted for the purpose of hutting the Police and their families until the point has been considered in the Home Department and the Orders of His Excellency the Governor General in Council issued upon it, I am directed to state that the necessity of providing accommodation for the families as well as for the men of the Police Force in this Presidency has all along been recognized by the Madras Government, and that upon the receipt of Lieutenant Colonel Strachey's letter, Orders had been issued for the construction of the huts in several Districts.

2. The Government of India are aware that it has always been the practice in the Native Army of this Presidency for the families of the Sepoys to accompany them from Station to Station. The Police are taken from the same class from which the Native Army is recruited, and as an inducement to respectable men to enter the force, it is absolutely necessary that provision should be made for their families residing with them.

3. I am directed to annex a copy of a letter on the subject from the Inspector General of Police, and to request attention to the extract therein quoted from the Report of the Calcutta Police Commission proposing that "the accommodation of the families of the Police should be discretionary with the local Government."

Under the circumstances the Governor in Council has not thought it right to suspend the arrangements now in progress for hutting the Police and their families, and he trusts that the measure will receive the approval and sanction of the Government of India. The charge for the current year will be met from the Reserve Fund of the Public Works Budget. In next year separate provision will be made for it in the Budget of that Department.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Acting Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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General Department
No 1356

Chief Office of the Inspector General
of M Police.

Madras 26 June 1862.

From

W. Robinson Esquire

Inspector General of M Police

To

A. J. Arlenthrot Esquire

Acting Chief Secretary
to Government

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Fort Saint George

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Sir,

Your most Obedt Servant.

H. H. Russell

Inspector General
of the Police.

Sept 25 1861
Calcutta

Judicial Department

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Secretary to the Government
of India

Home Department

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