

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
16th August 1862.*

No. 176. Read the following letter from Lieutenant Colonel W. J. WILSON, Commissioner of Police; to the Honorable T. PYCROFT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 6th August 1862, No. 98.

Veerasawmy Naidoo, Boat Overseer in the Department of the Master Attendant, having recently applied to me for a Transit License to enable him to send four Muskets and 15 pounds of Gunpowder to the village of Nulloor on the Northern Trunk road, and having stated in his application that he had obtained these articles from the Principal Commissary of Ordnance with the sanction of Government, I called upon him for further explanation, especially with regard to his being in possession of more than ten pounds of Gunpowder without a License from the Commissioner of Police, and was informed that as the sanction of Government had been obtained for the purchase, he had taken such sanction as abrogating the necessity for a Police License.

2. A Notice has been lately published in the Fort Saint George Gazette setting forth that Rifles with a certain proportion of Ammunition are to be had for sale at the Arsenal, and I am given to understand that this has been done with the sanction of Government, but not having been furnished with a copy of the Order, I am not aware whether any restrictions have been imposed with respect to the number of Weapons or quantity of Ammunition which may be purchased by a single individual.

3. I have therefore the honor to request that in all cases where the quantity of Gunpowder sought to be purchased exceeds ten pounds, or where the number of Arms is beyond what may be reasonably required by the purchaser for his own private use, the Principal Commissary of Ordnance may be instructed to refer the applicant to the Commissioner of Police for a License before the articles are removed from the Arsenal.

No. 177. ORDER THEREON, 16th August 1862, No. 1,334.

Gunpowder certainly should not be sold by any Public Officer at Madras to any one, in whatever quantity, without a License from the Commissioner of Police, because by Act XIII 1856, Sections 70 and 72, no one can have in his house more than 10 pounds nor carry from one place to another more than one pound without such license. Further when Arms are sold by, or under orders from, any public Department, they should not be sold to any one without prior reference to the Commissioner of Police, unless when the intended purchaser is obviously of such a position in society as to render the reference unnecessary.

2. And generally copies of all orders touching the sale of Arms, Ammunition, &c., should be furnished to the Judicial Department, for communication to the Commissioner of Police.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

Judicial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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Per order 5th August 1862. S. 1334.

Order thereon 16 August 1862. S. 1334.

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To the Commission of Police }
" Military Department }
" Judge Gen. of Crim. Mag. }

Despatch 16th

Copy of the
1862. Department.

No. 1334.

PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT.

Sept 16 1862
Dated 16 Dec 81/62

*Observe that persons
shall cannot be held by any
public officer at the road
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from the Commissioners of
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