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

No. 202. Read the following letter from the Honorable E. DRUMMOND, Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department; to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated Fort William, Council Chamber, the 17th September 1862, No. 347 A.

Financial Department.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 414, dated the 12th March last, enquiring, with reference to Financial Resolution of the 14th December last, affirming the principle that the Civil Budget should be charged with the cost of Military Guards employed on Civil duties, the meaning of the term "cost," I am desired to forward copies of the papers noted in the margin, in which you will find the required information, viz., that the cost of Rupees 250 a year per Native Soldier includes charges of every kind.

Letter from Military Finance Department, No. 8,463a, dated 25th April 1862.
Do. No. 124b, dated 15th May 1862.
Office Memorandum from Military Department, No. 590, dated 17th July 1862.

From the Military Finance Department; to the Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, No. 8,463a, dated Calcutta, 25th April 1862.

With reference to your docket, No. 2,322, dated 9th April 1862, forwarding the papers,

* From Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, to Secretary to Government of India, Home Department, No. 414, dated 12th March 1862.
Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department, dated 24th February 1862, with annexure, Herewith returned.

† No. 6,244a, dated 10th February 1862.
" 7,738a, " 2nd April "
" 7,920a, " 7th " "

‡ Letter to the Military Department, No. 4,759a, dated 18th December 1861.

as per margin,* on the question reviewed by the Madras Government as to the meaning of the word "cost," I have the honor to state that the charge for Soldiers employed on duties not purely Civil, is calculated at Rupees 250 per mensem, including all ranks of the Regiment, and it is intended by this rule to cover all charges of every kind. I have in several letters,† explained this calculation, and particularly in letter, as per margin.‡

From Colonel A. BROOME, Officiating Chief of the Military Finance Department; to the Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, dated Calcutta, 15th May 1862, No. 124 B.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 2,860, dated 28th April 1862, in which you call upon me to state how Colonel Balfour arrived at the result that 134 men will be required to supply a guard of ten sentries, which is the maximum number of sentries proposed to be posted over the vaults in the Bank of Bengal at any one time.

2. In reply, I beg to inform you that it was a principle of Colonel Balfour's calculation that () and not merely for every sentry, there should be a force available equal to () will find this principle fully explained in the report of the Military Finance Commission, No. 3,319, dated 22nd December 1860, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, and published in the Official Gazette of the 6th February 1861, page 31. For ready reference I beg to quote here so much of it as pertains to the question; "it has only to be pointed out that for every guard of three Privates the Government must maintain at least 16 soldiers of all ranks, in order to provide for reliefs and absentees from various causes. Five such small guards will require a Company of eighty men, and consequently forty such small guards, each furnishing but one sentry, or forty sentries in all, which require a whole Regiment."

3. From para. 1 of this Department's letter, No. 7,920A, dated 7th April 1862, it appears that the future guard at the Bank of Bengal is required to consist of 1 Jamadar, 1 Havildar, 2 Naicks, and 30 Sepoys, which will furnish ten sentries, for only six hours; but according to the above principle there must be three reliefs for this guard in the course of the 24 hours, or 120 Sepoys and 16 Native Commissioned and Non-Commissioned Officers, in all 136; Colonel Balfour, however, seems to have thought 2 Native Commissioned Officers enough, and therefore stated the total number as 134.

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The Secy to the Govt
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ORDER THEREON, 23rd October 1862, No. 1,742.

Communicated to the Military Department and to the Officers noted in the margin, in reference to Proceedings, 12th March 1862, No. 413.

Chief Secretary.