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Read the following papers:—

No. 182. From H. WOOD, Esq., Collector of South Arcot; to the Honorable T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Cuddalore, 3rd February 1862, No. 5.

On the 23rd January last, I received a letter from the Superintendent of Police of this District, with a copy of a Memorandum from the Deputy Inspector General of Police, Captain Hearn, forbidding the Police to escort Treasure excepting when secured in boxes. Copies* of these, I annex, as also of my letter to Captain Hearn,† a reply to which I have only this morning received. It will be seen that I have asked Captain Hearn to inform me under what authority the Police have been so peremptorily forbidden to escort Treasure excepting under the conditions referred to in his Memorandum. Captain Swanston‡ on the 19th August 1861, without forwarding *copy of any instructions received from higher authority*, addressed me§ on the subject of the route to be taken by the Treasure Escort, stating in the final paragraph of his letter that he would feel much obliged if I would make arrangements to have the Tálúq remittances packed in boxes instead of in bags as had been the former practice. No official reply was sent to this letter, but the subject of it was verbally discussed at the time, and an order to his own subordinates regarding the route to be observed was subsequently (after amendment) approved of by me. The question as to the mode of packing the Treasure remained undetermined, I having to the best of my recollection expressed my opinion that no change was necessary. No further communication on this matter (as far as I can recollect) passed between the Superintendent and myself.

* Nos. 1 and 2.

† No. 3.

‡ Vide copy of a letter, No. 79.

§ (Under instructions from the Inspector General, Madras Police.)

2. I regret extremely to be obliged to trouble Government with a reference of this kind, but as I shall have some difficulty, owing to Police Escorts being refused, in providing for the transmission of the usual monthly remittances *now due*, I request I may be favored with early orders on the subject, as also, that I may be informed how far the orders of Officers of special Departments, such as the Police, are binding on me, in my capacity, as Collector and Magistrate of the District.

Referred to the Inspector General of Police.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
6th February 1862.

No. 183. From W. ROBINSON, Esq., Inspector General of Madras Police; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, For, Saint George, dated Berhampore, 27th February 1862, No. 491.

General Department.

Paragraph 1. With reference to the letter of the Collector of South Arcot, dated 3rd February, and referred to me on the 6th, I have the honor to state that Captain Swanston has been directed to convey Treasure in boxes till further orders.

2. The exceedingly dangerous manner in which Treasure is escorted all through the country, leading as it has done to disastrous consequences, obliged me to issue instructions on the subject, and in many Districts the change has been effected readily and with increased safety to the public Treasure.

Circular Memorandums.
No. 6 of 1861, dated 15th March 1861.
No. 21 of 1861, dated 3rd August 1861.

3. I earnestly entreat the Government to accord to these instructions their countenance, and allow Collectors to prepare boxes to carry Treasure.

4. It is not fair either to the senders or Escort to transmit Treasure, by long marches of several days in some cases, tied up in canvass bags or mats.

Copy of a letter from Captain H. A. Swanston

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
21st March 1862.

No. 183. A. ORDER THEREON, 21st March 1862, No. 480.

The above papers refer to the mode of packing Treasure, when being remitted from the Talook Cutcherries to the Huzzoor Treasury. The question has been brought before the Government by the Collector of South Arcot, but it is of a general nature, and will be so treated.

2. The Inspector General of Police is correct in his view. It is absurd to send Talook remittances often for considerable distances merely packed in bags or mats. The practice should be discontinued, and orders will be passed in the Revenue Department directing the general use of boxes for Talook remittances.

3. The Government remark that the Inspector General should not have acted so summarily. Boxes cannot be procured at a short notice, while the use of bags for talook remittances is of old standing and very general. Mr. Robinson should have addressed Government on the subject, and moved them to have the change duly ordered.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

No 79 20

From

Captain W. A. Burnaston

Superintendent of Police

To

H. Wood Esqr

Collector of South Arcot

Sir

Under instructions from the Inspector General of Madras Police, I have the honor to propose the following plan for the escort of Treasure from the Talaks to the Treasury at Cuddalore -

The treasure from Tirunamally to be sent thro' Gingee to Tindevanum which will be strengthened and receive the Treasure from the Tahsildars there & at Tindevanum thro' Villapooram where it will be joined by a party of Police with Treasure from Villapooram Tahsildary from thence thro' Perumatty to Cuddalore

The Treasure from Kallacoorchy will proceed thro' Pellacondapoor picking up the Treasure there and receiving an addition to the strength of the guard, from thence they will march thro' Colandoor pet to Verdachellum

where

where they will again be changed and re-
-ceived remittance from the
Inhuldan there, and proceed on to
Cuddalore. The treasure from the C.
-lunbrum will be sent direct to Cudd-
-dalore picking up any remittance from
Porto Novo on the road.

Should the above plan
meet with your approval I shall feel
obliged by your informing me on what
date or dates of the month you would
wish the Guards to be ready to receive
the treasure, as by laying down a
stated date on which the Parties
are to leave Trincomallay and
Kalladerichy it might be easily
arranged so that the other Tah-
-sildars should have their remit-
-tances ready to be taken up as
above.

With regard to the mode
of packing the Treasure, I should
feel much obliged if you could
arrange for it being packed in
small boxes instead of bags as it
would be much safer and easier

Carried

Carried Au early reply to the above will
oblige

I have &c

Cuddalore } (Signed) W. Swanston
19th August 1861 } Supt of Police S.A.

Remarks recorded in reference to the above letter

What would be the
Cost of Boxes, and how many would
be required, if Captain Swanston's
suggestion of packing Treasure in them
is to be adopted?

Of what size might the
boxes to be made to contain Town
& Country Rupees?

By what routes has the
Treasure hitherto been remitted to
Hosur and if any change of route
be now necessary, state the ad-
-vantage of it?

Standing orders require
that remittances should be made
on the 1st of each month - If any
after happens that a 2nd remittance

of

of money collected after the 1st
month, has to be made, how is this
to be provided for ? there
may be a 2d remittance from Cuddalore
and none from Verdachellum - If
this 2d remittance to travel by way
of Verdachellum, where as it may
do the first, there may be a delay
to send in Money (as hitherto (under
the old system of Taluq Accounts) tra-
velled safely enough in bags, only
should it much do so, upon the new
Police, which costs more to the state
and is supposed to be so much
more efficient ?

How many Rupees can
be carried by one Coolys ?

Route to be adopted
Treasure from Tirumallay to
be sent by Tirupati and Tiruvannamalai
and Villapooram

From Cuddalore by the
Ellavanasoor Colundoorpet + Cuddalore

From Verdachellum straight
to Cuddalore -

From

From Chellumchetty straight to
Cuddalore

My dear Wood

Will you kindly look
on this order, I am about to pub-
lish to my men about escorting
Treasure, and if you think it worth
do let me know and I'll circu-
culate it

Yours truly
17-9-61 (Signed) J. W. Braunton

Circular Dated 17th Sept 1861

Under instructions from
Inspector General and with the Con-
currence of the Collector of the
District the following Plan will
be observed in the escorting
Treasure from the different Talooks
Kacheries to Cuddalore Viz.

On or about the 1st
of each month and in the mid dle
of the month when we pay. The
Talooks

Lt Sheridan will apply to the Head Constable for a guard to escort Treasure - The Head Constable will at once detail 1 Deputy 3 Constables armed who will attach at the Ealing Treasury at such time as the Lieutenant may require and take charge of the Treasure - When marching they will invariably start during daylight and not later than 12 o'Clock and they will always halt for the night at a station where they will leave the Treasure, the Head or Deputy of the station detailing some of his men to assist in guarding it - These parties may will go 15 or 20 miles a day - On arrival at Cuddalore they will take the Treasure the Deputy will march his men to the Head Quarters office when they will be dismissed and receive further orders - The following is the route invariably to be taken by the guards escorting Treasure -

From Trinomallay, thro Cuzee Tindevanum Villapooram and Arcot to

St. Caddalore

From Kallacoorchy thro Villaveranum and Trivady to Cuddalore -

From Verdachellum direct to Cuddalore thro Coorgeepaud -

From Chellumbrum direct to Cuddalore

The guard from Kallacoorchy will pick up any treasure there may be at Villaveranum on being strengthened by the addition of a Couple of Constables from that station if necessary -

The guard from Trinomallay will pick up the Treasure at Tindevanum & Villapooram being strengthened by the addition of men from the Stations if required -

I have &c
Signed W. A. Swanston
Supt of Police S. A.

Cuddalore
17th September 1861

True Copy
Signed W. A. Swanston
Supt of Police S. A.

No 7.

To
The Collector of South Arcot

Sir,

I have the honor to
enclose

Enclosed Copy of a Memo received from the Deputy Inspector General of Police Centre Range and to inform you that in obedience to the instructions therein contained the Police in this District have been forbidden to remit Charge or escort any Treasure that is not packed in Boxes.

Shaine Reed
Enclosure
23rd January 1862 } /Signed/ J. Wilkinson
Superintendent of Police South

Memorandum

The Deputy Inspector General, Centre Range requests the Superintendent of Police South Area will not escort Treasure unless it is secured in Boxes.

/Signed/ C. Hearne
Deputy Inspector Genl of Police
Centre Range

/True Copy/
/Signed/ J. Wilkinson
Superintendent of Police South

No 21.

To
Captain C. St Hearne
Dy Inspector General of Police
Centre Circle

Sir

With reference to the annexed Copy of a Letter No 7 of the 23rd instant from the Superintendent of Police, I have the honour to request that you will be so good as to inform me whether or not the Police in this District have been forbidden to receive Charge of or Escort any Treasure that is not Secured in Boxes in pursuance of the more convenient and safer system hitherto observed without any risk or defalcation.

2. I am now prepared to accede to the Change as proposed I have further the honour to request that your prohibiting order may be withdrawn until the question is finally decided.

I have &c
25th January 1862. /Signed/ H. Wood
Collector

Veliere 30th January 1862.

To
H. Wood Esqr
Collector of Southarch

Sir,

I have the honor to reply to your letter No. 21 dated the 25th Instant I have the honor to inform you that my authority for refusing to escort Treasure in Bags to the Inspector General of Police

My order from my Superior being peremptory, I regret I cannot accede to the request contained in the 2d Para of your letter under reply.

I am directed by the Lieutenant Governor to direct that you be allowed to observe that 5 months notice shall be brought to your notice that the Police are forbidden to escort Treasure unless specially packed in Boxes

I have &c
(Signed) P. G. Hearn
Dpty Inspector Genl of Police

To
Captain G. Hearn
Dpty Inspector General
of Police
Centre Range

Sir,

I have the honor to request that I may be favored with a Copy of the instructions of the Inspector General referred to in the 1st & 2nd Para of your letter No. 111 of the 30th Ultimo replying to mine of the 25th

I have &c
(Signed) H. Wood
Collector

Cud dalore
3d February 1862

No. 20

To
The Superintendent of Police
South Arcot

Sir,

With advertance to the
Conversation on the subject of your letter
No

No. 79 of the 19th August last, I have the honor to request that you will be so good as to furnish me with a copy of the route for escorting the Treasure to the Woodson proposed by you and marked subsequently by me as "approved" after amendment.

I have &c

25 January 1862. (Signed) Wynne Attwood
Collector

† Subsequently

Road

The Superintendent of Police
South Arcot
Cuddalore

&

The Collector of
South Arcot

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose a copy of a Memo, received from the Deputy Inspector General Cent. Police Centre Range, and to inform you that in obedience to instructions therein contained the Police in this District have been forbidden to receive charge or escort any Treasure that is not packed in boxes.

I have &c

(Signed) W. A. Swanston
Supt. of Police

1862

Memorandum

The Deputy Inspector General Centre Range requests the Superintendent of Police South Arcot will not escort Treasure unless it is secured in boxes.

(Signed) F. Fearn
Dy. Inspector General of Police

True copy
(Signed) W. A. Swanston
Supt. of Police

From

H. Beaufoy

Collector of Customs

To

Captain G. H. Pearse

Deputy Inspector General of Police

Sir,

With reference to the annexed Copy of a letter dated 23rd Instant from the Intermediate Sub. Police I have the honor to request you will be good as to inform me under which Enactment the Treasurer of Dietrich Road can refuse to receive charges for conveying Treasure that is not declared on Treasure Boxes in Safety received by the mail Conveyance and Post Conveyance) practice hitherto observed without any Risk or Degradation).

2 I have also to request to accede to the Chairmans request I have further the honor to request that your proceedings under may be withdrawn until the Case is finally decided.

I have &c

Signed H. Beaufoy

Collector of Customs

No 3

No 4.

From

Captain G. H. Pearse

Deputy Inspector General of Police

Central Range

To

H. Beaufoy Esqre

Collector of Customs

Sir,

In reply to your letter No 21 dated the 25 Instant I have the honor to inform you that I am authorized for refusing to receive Treasure in Boxes is the Inspector General of Police -

2 My orders from my Superior being peremptory, I regret I cannot alter the course I have pursued in the 2nd para of your letter under reply -

I would beg to be allowed to observe that 5 Months ago it was brought to your notice that the Police were forbidden to escort Treasure unless it was packed in Boxes.

I have &c

Signed G. Pearse

Deputy Inspector General of Police

Yellow No.

30th January 1862

No 5

Sir,

To

Captain G. Pearse

Dy. Insp. General of Police

Central Range.

I have the honor to request that

that I may be favored with a
Copy of the instructions of the
Inspector General referred to in
the 1st Para of your letter of 14th
of the 30th Ultimo replying to mine
of the 25th

I have &c
(sd) Alexr Ball
Collector
3 February 1823

Three Copies

A. Ball
Collector

General
No. 6, of 1861.

CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM.

Dated 15th March 1861.

The spirit of the following rules, Extracted from the General Regulations of the Army are to be observed in regard to the Escorting of Treasure by the Police.

General Regulations Sections XXII Page 335.

66. "Officers Commanding Treasure Escorts are not responsible for the contents of such packages of treasure as may be delivered over to them. The Collectors making the remittance is answerable for the contents of the packages, and the Officer receiving charge will only be required to pass his receipt for a certain number of packages, contents unknown, and to see that the same are delivered unbroken and unopened.

67. They are consequently exonerated from the duty of seeing the treasure either packed or unpacked, and escorts are not to be required until the treasure has been packed up, and they are to be dispensed with as soon as the packages have been duly delivered and before their contents are counted out.

68. Officers Commanding treasure Escorts have under the preceding regulations, simply to take charge of and convey to the named station a certain number of packages.

69. The Officer Commanding a treasure Escort being responsible for the safe custody of the packages both as regards their number and condition, the measures to be adopted for that purpose rest exclusively with him. The shroff and others who accompany the remittance on the part of the Collector being responsible for the contents of the packages, may be permitted as a measure of precaution to examine the seals morning and evening, under such arrangements as the officer may direct, to satisfy themselves that all is right and to report to the Officer whatever they may observe requiring notice.

W. ROBINSON.

Inspector General of Madras Police.

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GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

No. 21 or 1861.

CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM.

Dated 3rd August 1861.

The Superintendent of _____ reports that he has arranged "with the Collector a "regular system of Treasure Escort for the monthly remittances, by which constant change of "escort during transmission to the *Huzur* Treasury is avoided: and each *Táluq* Escort meets at a "given day and at a given place." He adds: "The remittances cease in this District at the end "of May and do not re-commence till November. The money is sent in *good deal Boxes*, instead "of in gunny bags, or done up in matting. These are slung on a Pole and carried by coolies "or in carts according to the circumstances of the road."

2. Superintendents are requested to report whether any, and what system has been adopted in the respective Districts.

W. ROBINSON,

Inspector General of Madras Police.

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Enclosure No 2

In a letter from
W. Robinson Esqr Chief
Genl of Ct. Police dated
27th February 1862
No 491

Circular Memo
No 6 —

Regarding to
the escorting of
Treasure by Police

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following Letters —

From the Collector of South Arcot — Entered 3rd Feb.y 62 No. 5.

" Inspector-Genl. of Police — 24th do — 491.

Ordered — 21st March 1862 — No. 480.

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before the Govt. by the Collector of South Arcot, but it is of a general nature & will be so treated.

2. The Inspector Genl. of Police is correct in his view. It is an absurdity [illegible] packed in bags [illegible] mats. The practice should be discontinued, & orders will be issued in the Rev. Dept. directing

[illegible] directing the general [illegible] of boxes for Salook remittances.

3. The Govt. remark that the Inspector Genl. should not have acted in the manner summary [illegible] he has done. Boxes cannot be procured at a short notice, while the use of bags for Salook remittances is of

old standing &

Advocate General. Mr.

Robinson should

have addressed

Govt. on the sub-

ject, & moved

them to have the

charges duly brought

about. ordered

JP

Dec[r] 21st

The Revd. Devit

The Inspector Genl.

of Police.

&c &c &c

&c Collr. of South Arcot.

Pros. 5th March

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No. 480.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

F. No. 618.

Dated 21st March 1862.

Passing Orders on papers referring to the mode of packing Treasure when remitted from the Taluq Kacheries to the Hoozoor Treasury, and referring the matter to the Revenue Dept. in view to Orders being issued directing the general use of Boxes for Taluq remittances.—

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