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Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
30th July 1863.*

No. 286. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Military Department,
dated 24th July 1863, No. 2,394.

*Stating that it will be observed from the letter
received from the Government of India, request-
ing that the Jails and Treasuries at Military
Stations in the Central Provinces may be
guarded, when possible, by Native Troops;
that the Judicial Order directing that no
Police Guards be relieved by the Military
without prior reference to Government and
their sanction being obtained, does not apply
to the Troops serving in the Central Provinces.*

(Vide Proceedings Military Department, dated
24th July 1863, Nos. 451—454.)

No. 287.

ORDER THEREON, 30th July 1863, No. 1,229.

To be recorded.

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

Exd. T. O'Connor.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers:—

From the Officiating Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, Fort William, 7th July 1863, No. 226; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, Fort Saint George.

I am directed to transmit, for the information of the Government of Fort Saint George, copy of a communication from the Secretary to the Government of India, in the Home Department, with annexures, representing the expediency, on the score of economy, of having Jails and Treasuries at Military Stations in the Central Provinces guarded, when possible, by the Native Troops, and to request that His Excellency the Governor in Council may be moved to cause the proposed measure to be carried out, when it can be done without imposing on the Troops a greater amount of duty than that contemplated in my letter, No- 148, dated 4th February last, to your address.

2. It is understood that the Jail Guard will in no case be required to perform any duties of mere watch and ward in the interior of the Jail; and it will be pointed out to the Chief Commissioner, that the Police must be prepared to relieve the Troops whenever a reduction of the Force available for duty, owing to Detachments, unusual sickness, &c., renders the duty materially heavier than the amount above indicated.

No. 3616.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM.

With reference to the accompanying Extracts from the correspondence noted in the margin,* the undersigned is directed to request that

*Letter from Assistant Secretary to the Officiating Chief Commissioner Central Provinces, No. C206, dated 12th March 1863.
Letter from the Inspector General of Police in India, No. 87, dated 27th April 1863.

†Regarding the Jails and Treasuries in certain Stations being guarded by the Troops of the Line instead of by the Police.

the proposition† contained in them may receive early consideration in the Military Department, and that it may be determined there, after such inquiry as may be necessary, whether there are any valid objections to adopting the measure proposed by the Officiating Chief Commissioner of Central Provinces. Should there be no such objections, it is requested that distinct instructions

may be conveyed to the Military Authorities in the Central Provinces, to carry out the necessary arrangements, in communication with the Inspector General of Police, and the Officiating Chief Commissioner Central Provinces.

FORT WILLIAM,
HOME DEPARTMENT,
6th June 1863.

To the Military Department.

(Signed) J. W. S. WYLLIE,
Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Extract from a letter from the Assistant Secretary, with the Chief Commissioner Central Provinces, to the Secretary to Government of India, Home Department, No. C206, dated 12th March 1863.

Paragraph 5. The Officiating Chief Commissioner is not prepared to recommend any further reduction so long as the duties remain as at present—but with a diminution of the duties, he admits that there might be a diminution of the Police Force.

6. There are three modes in which it appears to the Officiating Chief Commissioner that a diminution of duties may be accomplished.

III. Jails and Treasuries at the Military Stations in the Provinces, now guarded by the Police, might be guarded by the Troops of the Line. This measure might be carried out at Jubbulpore, Nagpore, Hoshungabad, Chanda and Raipore, and would enable the Officiating Chief Commissioner to make a reduction of 300 Police-men.

7. Mr. Temple is aware that in making the last preceding proposition, he may appear to be deviating from the principles laid down by the Police Commission, that all Guards over Jails and Treasuries should be furnished by the Police—but he hopes it may be understood that he does not desire any essential deviation, and that on the contrary he recognizes its entire validity as a principle for general application, although he is of opinion that it may be pushed to an undue extreme in particular cases. In further explanation of his meaning, the Officiating Chief Commissioner observes, that one among the several reasons on which this principle was based, was the removal of any obstacle to the reduction of the Native Army—but if that Army has now been reduced to what upon general and political grounds is considered to be the lowest limits, and it is still able, without any detriment to its efficiency, to undertake such duties as those now under consideration at particular Stations where Troops are located, it appears to the Officiating Chief Commissioner that there can be no true economy in maintaining at these posts a separate body of highly paid Police, solely for the performance of a service which can without any inconvenience be delegated to the Sepoys.

Extract from a letter from the Inspector General of Police in India, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, No. 87, dated 27th April 1863.

Paragraph 12. The third proposition of Mr. Temple is, that the Jails and Treasuries at Military Stations should be taken by the Military. In this proposal I quite concur, and I would beg to draw attention to my letter to the address of the Officiating Chief of the Military Finance Department, No. 75, dated 9th instant, wherein I submitted, as a special case, a plan for the employment of our redundant Native Army upon these identical duties.

13. This measure, the Chief Commissioner observes, will enable him to reduce 300 men.

14. But I would observe that the extent of the reduction will depend in a great measure upon the Military Authorities.

(True Extracts.)

(Signed) J. W. S. WYLLIE,

Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department.

Directing that the Military Guards in Cuddapah and Kurnool be withdrawn, and that no Police Guard be in future relieved by the Military } Here enter 15th July 1863, No. 1150. without prior reference to Government, and their sanction being obtained.

ORDER, No. 2394, 24th July 1863.

Communicated to the Commander-in-Chief, for His Excellency's information and guidance.

2. It will be observed from the foregoing letter from the Government of India, that the Judicial Order above recorded, does not apply to the Troops serving in the Central Provinces.

To the Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India, Mily. Dept. | Here enter 24th July 1863, No. 2394.

(True Extract.)

To the Adjutant General.

„ Judicial Department

„ Controller of Military Finance.

„ Quarter Master General, for information.

Exd. J. E. Cashart.

*Proc. 19th March 1863. No. 106-107
— 14th July — No. 1150
— 15th June — No. 121-122*

dict of 14 Augt.

*Ind. 1863 dep. 1863
P. H. Mily.*

*Proc. of Govt in the
Mily. Dept. No. 2394*

*24th July
25th July*

Feb. 1863

No. 1043

Stating that it will be observed from the letter received from the Govt. of India requesting that the Jails & Treasuries at Mily. Stations in the Central Provinces may be guarded when possible by Native Troops, that the order directing that no Police Guard be relieved by the Mily. without prior reference to Govt & then sanction being obtained does not apply to the Troops serving in the Central Provinces. 30th July 1863 No. 1229-

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*Thos. Schell
Secretary to Government.*