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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 152

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
6th February 1864.*

No. 27. Read the following letter from Colonel T. McGOUN, Controller of Military Finance, Fort Saint George; to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 30th December 1863, E.

I have the honor, with reference to paragraph 6 of the Order of Government, Judicial Department, dated 22nd December 1863, No. 1996, to observe that it would be contrary to the principle upon which the Civil and Military Departments are charged with the expenses of the establishments pertaining to each, and employed solely on the work of these Departments respectively, to debit the Staff Corps pay of an Officer employed as Superintendent of a Central Jail to the Military Department.

2. At present there is a considerable number of unemployed Staff Corps Officers whom the Military Department have to pay while unemployed, and that Department would incur no extra expense for the present under the arrangements proposed: but it is necessary to bear in mind that the Staff Corps is considerably above its strength in consequence of the liberal principles which were adopted in dealing with the claims of Officers to admission on the formation of the Corps.

3. It is the intention of the Right Honorable the Secretary of State that its numbers should be restricted to the strength necessary to meet the requirements of the service, and when reduced to its normal condition by the absorption of unemployed Officers, the proposal to employ Staff Corps Officers in Civil Departments debiting the Military Department with the Staff Corps pay of such officers, would involve the maintenance, at the expense of the Military Department, of a considerable body of Officers for purely Civil duties.

4. If, therefore, it is in contemplation to employ in future Staff Corps Officers on such duties, it appears but equitable that the Departments in which they are employed should bear the whole expense of their maintenance, as they will be in excess of the requirements of the Military service of Government.

No. 28. To the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, dated Fort Saint George, 6th February 1864, No. 154.

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor in Council to request authority for the appointment of an Officer under the designation of Governor of the Jail at Salem. This Jail is now being considerably enlarged, and will shortly be capable of holding some 600 or 700 prisoners. It will then be used as a Central Jail for the reception of convicts from the adjoining Districts; and it is absolutely necessary that this and the other Central Jails in course of erection should be placed under the management of persons set apart for the exclusive duty, and resident within or in the neighbourhood of the Jail. Neither the present arrangement, under which the charge of the Jail devolves on the Sessions Judge, nor the arrangement now in contemplation, of placing the Jails under Officers of the Magistracy, is at all suited for large Central Jails.

2. It was the intention of the Governor in Council to propose that Officers of the Staff Corps should be placed in charge of these Jails, receiving in addition to their Staff Corps pay a Civil salary of Rupees 200 per mensem, which alone should be debited to the Jail Department, their Military pay being debited to the Military. It appears, however, from the enclosed letter* from the

* 30th December 1863, E.

Controller of Military Finance that this arrangement is not practicable; and I am therefore to request that authority may be granted for fixing the salary of the Governor of the Salem Jail at Rupees 500 per mensem, such salary to be treated as the consolidated salary, whether the appointment be held by a Military Officer or an Officer of the Uncovenanted Civil Service. A copy of the order† replied to in the Controller's letter is enclosed.

† 22nd December 1863, No. 1996.

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

Exd. J. Tulloch.

Journal DEPARTMENT.

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Fort St. George,
The 6th Feb^y 1864

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Forwarded for sanction to the *Rome* Department of the
Government of India. *Chief Secy*

Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Fort St. George.

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Richard Webb Esq

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