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Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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No. 48. Read the following letter from H. L. ANDERSON, Esq., Chief Secretary to the Government of Bombay; to the Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated Bombay Castle, 28th October 1864, No. 3243.

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to forward to you the accompanying copy of a Summary, supplying the information called for in your letter, No. 1001, dated the 6th July last.

2. You will observe that there is no uniform rule in this Presidency, on the subject of the grant of batta to Policemen employed on escort duty.

3. I am desired, however, to state that the Police only receive batta when the escort duty involves a long distance, and that by reliefs; these long distances are, as much as possible, avoided.

On the 6th of July last, the Secretary to Government of Madras forwarded to this Government copy of a letter from the Inspector General of the Madras Police, requesting to be furnished with a copy of the rules under which batta is granted to treasure and convict escorts when proceeding to a distance from their station.

A copy of this communication was sent to the Commissioners of Police, Northern and Southern Divisions; the Commissioner of Police, Bombay; and the Commissioner in Sind, with a request that they would furnish the required information, so far as their respective divisions were concerned.

Their replies have been received.

In the Mofussil batta is allowed to men of the re-organized Police only on such occasions as the Commissioners may consider that they are put to extra expense by being sent long distances from their own Zillahs, and then in accordance with the following uniform scale:—

<i>Mounted Police.</i>			
Troopers...	...	...	3 Annas per diem.
Superior grades...	...	...	5 " "
Russildars...	...	...	8 " "
<i>Foot Police.</i>			
Privates...	...	...	1 Anna per diem.
Naigues and Havildars...	...	...	2 " "
Jemadars, 2nd Class...	...	...	3 " "
" 1st " "	...	...	4 " "
Native Commandants...	...	...	8 " "

Batta at the above rates are to be allowed to all Policemen under the special sanction of the Police Commissioners, which "sanction is to be given only when the men are employed on arduous distant service." For ordinary Police duties in his own or a neighbouring Zillah, a Policeman is not allowed any batta at all.

Railway or Steamer fare, or similar expenses incurred, when expeditious travelling is required on the public service, are paid by Government.

These rules were sanctioned on the 16th of April 1862. They were not at the time intended for Bombay; but in April last, the expediency of extending them to the Bombay Police came under consideration, and the question was referred to the then Acting Commissioner of Police, Mr. Forjett, who objected very strongly to them, on the ground that "the great increase in the price of provisions rendered batta, even at the rate of 2 Annas a day, barely sufficient to meet the extra expense incurred by men of the Bombay Police while on duty from the Presidency."

The men of the Bombay Police were accordingly allowed to continue to draw batta according to the Government Order of the 9th October, 1851 (No. 5816), which allows a Policeman 2

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Annas a day, and a Havildar 3 Annas a day when employed on what is considered the exceptional duty of escorting prisoners up-country. The charge is a Contingent one, and the Commissioner

* That is, batta under the scales applicable to all Government establishments.
Under these scales a Peon is allowed 1 Anna
a Havildar of Peons 1 1/2 " "
and a Jemadar of Peons 2 " "

of Police is required to submit a bill in each case, instead of debiting the disbursement under the head of ordinary batta.*

In Sind it is not usual to pay batta to Police escorts in charge of treasure or convicts, except when the latter have to be despatched to Bombay, in which case batta is allowed at the Mofussil rates already mentioned.

(Signed) H. L. ANDERSON,
Chief Secretary.

(True Copy.)
(Signed) H. L. ANDERSON,
Chief Secretary.

No. 49. ORDER THEREON, 5th November 1864, No. 1604.
Communicated to the Inspector General of Police, with reference to his letter of the 4th July last, No. 1350.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Inspector General of Police.

N^o 1604 5 November 1864.

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The Inspector Genl. of Police. } depd 1/11