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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
23rd February 1864.*

No. 153. Read the following letter from Lieutenant Colonel J. TEMPLE, Acting Assistant Inspector General of Madras Police; to A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 18th February 1864, No. 347.

Audit Department.

I have the honor in the absence of the Inspector General with reference to Government Order, No. 165, dated 9th instant, to report that by an oversight, the strict tenor of the rule laid down in paragraph 5, Section X of the Military Pay and Audit Regulations was not conformed to in the case of Corporal McNeil of the Sappers and Miners, as well as in the case of Corporal Potts of the Artillery, and the former was thus retained in the Police Service subsequent to his year of probation which expired on the 14th July 1863 drawing however only Civil pay from that date.

2. On the rule in question being brought to notice by the Civil Paymaster, Corporal McNeil was ordered to return to his Regiment; but he proposed rather to purchase his discharge from the date of completing his year of probation; to this course the Commander-in-Chief has given his consent, and his discharge papers are in course of preparation.

3. It being considered that the intention of Government in paragraph 5, Section X of the Military Pay Code had practically not been departed from in either case (Corporal McNeil having applied for his discharge with retrospective effect) in the report on the Civil Paymaster's letter only the case of Corporal Potts was alluded to.

4. The Civil Paymaster however considers that no precedent has been established by the Government Order, No. 165, dated 9th February 1864, and that the special sanction of Government must also be obtained for the retention of Corporal McNeil pending his discharge.

5. I therefore request that sanction may be granted. There is no other effective Soldier in Police employ, and care will be taken in any future case that the rule is strictly observed.

No. 154. ORDER THEREON, 23rd February 1864, No. 228.

The Governor in Council authorizes the retention of Corporal McNeil in Police employ pending the completion of the arrangements for his discharge from his Corps.

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

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