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City Police Office,

Madras 24th July 1891

Colonel F. Heldon C.I.C.
THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE,
MADRAS

The Chief Secretary to Government,
With the Governor,
Stanhurst Hill.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of (Confidential) G. O. dated 15th July 1891 C. No. 1421 Communicating with the Enclosures, the letter from the Adjutant General regarding the riot by Sepoys at Vachermandpet in May last and specially referring to paragraph 4 of that letter.

2 — I have the honour to request that the Heads (Military) District Officers may be called on to state the grounds on which the Brigadier General Commanding was led to remark that

"for the last 20 years the Regiment at"
"Nashermanpettah has had differences"
"with this self same Police Station"
and on which he was "induced to believe"
"that there is something decidedly"
"wrong either amongst the men or the"
"working of the Police Train in question."
Without this information it is impossible
to examine the sufficiency of the premises
accepted as a fact from which this
serious Conclusion is deduced. That
General Van Stranbenze accept the
allegation as a fact is sufficient to
Call for close investigation of the
Circumstances.

I have the honour to be
Sir

Your most Obedient Servant

Alfred J. Jones

Commissioner of Police.

Alfred

Submitted 1891 Department

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Circulars

Submitted that the information asked for by Col. Weldon should be obtained thro' the Military Dept.

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From
The Commissioner of Police
Madam.

To
The Chief Secretary to Govt.
with the Governor
Stonehouse Hill

Dated 24th } July 1891.
Received.

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Not by Depoy at Wachermanpett

Acknowledges receipt of
G.O. No 1421 dated 15th July 1891
regarding and requests that the
Military authorities may be asked for
further information on a certain
point.

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I don't think the matter should be allowed
to degenerate into a controversy between
the Col. Weldon & the military authorities.
Col. Weldon has got the report of the mili-
tary regarding the matter and has no reason
to make it worse. It is a matter for
your consideration. We don't care
about Gen. Stranahan's opinion unless
based on a hearing. I don't think
or can show that Gen. Stranahan
may say or do so. I would not make
any reference to the military but
have only mention the wrong
which I have no power can equal.

4/8/91

6.8.91

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The fact does not concern it
necessary to call upon the military
authorities to obtain the funds upon
which they have come to the con-
clusion that there is something wrong
with the working of the Police Station
at Wachermanpett. The Govt has
the report of the military saying
if has any remarks to make
I consider that he is ^{unable} to prove
Col. Van Stranahan the wrong
to should communicate his views
to the Govt. (from review)
to Col. Police. 10/8/91. L. D. King.

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Sepray Riot at Washermanpettah

Informing the Commr. of Police that
Govt. considers it unnecessary to
call upon the Military authorities
on the grounds of their opinion that
there is something wrong with
the working of the Washerman-
pettah Police Station and instructing
him to forward any remarks he
may have to offer on the report of
the Military Enquiry.

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