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CHIEF OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE,

Madras,

19 April 1895.

FROM

M Hammick Esquire, I.C.S.,

INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE,

TO

THE Chief Secretary
to Government,
Coimbatore.

SIR,

Enclosures.

With reference to G.O., 3 April 1895, No. 683, para 2, asking why the instructions conveyed in L.O., 16 July 1894, No. 1735, that Police Probationers were to learn drill and riding simultaneously, were not carried into effect, I have the honor to say that until to-day I was not aware of these orders.

2. Colonel Porteous before I came wrote to Government in his letter, dated 1 December 1894, No. 7061, asking that the Probationers might attend the Body Guard and he appears to have thought that the L.O. referred to above was not an express order that drill and riding should go on simultaneously but only an order that in no case should the stay of Probationers in

in Madras exceed six months. If the orders as to drill are received shortly it will be possible for the Probationers to complete the course and go up Country within six months from their arrival.

3. As regards next year's batch of Probationers, I will see whether it is possible for the probationers to do their drill and riding on alternate days. I do not think that it will be possible for them to drill and ride on the same day without serious risk to their health. It must be remembered that these boys come out to the Country while still young and that they are not on arrival in good training and unaccustomed to Madras Climate. They set to work with a Munchi on arrival and after a short time attend the Magistrate's Courts, besides reading their law books and the Police Code. They have not means sufficient to maintain a Carriage each and depend on one Carriage between them. The result is as I know, that they sometimes have

have had to walk to the Body Guard for their riding lessons. I believe that if they tried to do their riding, which I believe in the case of all of them this time was a new experience - on the same day as their drill and read with the Munchi in the middle of the day, they would very probably break down before they had been at it many weeks. If they are to learn drill, riding, read law language and the Police Code before they go up Country six months is not a day too much for them to stay in Madras. I hope to be able to get these probationers up Country as soon as their six months is over.

4. When I first took over charge of my office I was much inclined to think that the sooner the Probationers went up Country the better. I have altered my opinion. I know now that it is almost impossible for any of our best Superintendents to spare any sufficient time for training Assistants, and I believe that if Probationers are sent up Country before they

they have thoroughly mastered drill and riding and the elements of the language and seen a good deal of the work of the Courts in Madras and read a good deal of their books, the result will be in many cases that they never will become good police officers. Much left to himself with no regular hours, and no proper supervision, a Probationer up Country would in many cases get into unpunctual habits, slipshod ways and acquire a mere smattering of the language.

5. The Government may perhaps think that nobody looks after these Assistants in Madras, but the Assistant Inspector General is constantly looking after them and I have seen them many times and take care they are reading and not wasting their time. They get a better Munshee down here than they get up Country and they live and read together which gives them an interest in their work. I do not believe that they waste their time.

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6. I hope the Government will be satisfied if they are sent up Country as soon as their drill is over which should be before the end of May.

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your most obedient servant,

Mammick
Inspector General of Police.

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FROM

M. Hammick Esq. Esq.

INSPECTOR-GENERAL
OF POLICE.

For orders.

As to whether the I.G.'s suggestion in
para. 6 of his letter may be accepted?

Attention is invited to the notice for orders in G.O.
of 16 July 1894, No. 1735, Judl, mis. from which
it will be seen that Govt. desired to
order the probationers from having to
be drilled during the hot months
April to June, & to limit their stay
in Madras to six months. - The I.G.'s
office is to blame for not having
brought the order of 17 July 1894 to
his notice

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SUBJECT.

Reporting on the drill course
of Probationers of the Madras
Police.

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G.O. of 16 July 1894 No. 1735
t.c. 1887
Order of 14th May 1895 No. 1019

It was the desire of Govt. to prevent
Police Probationers from having to
undergo instruction in drilling during
the hot season, & to limit their stay
in Madras to six months. In this
particular year, owing to the omission of the
I.G.'s office establishment to bring to his
notice G.O. of 16 July 1894 No. 1735, an exception
must be made, but in future years the
I.G. should endeavour to give effect to the
wishes of Govt. by making earlier
arrangements for the drilling of
newly arrived Police Probationers

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