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No. 143.

Read the following:—
No. 799.

CIRCULAR TO HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS, &c., &c.

MEMORANDUM.

1. The Commander-in-Chief has learnt that Soldiers of the Effective Supernumeraries have been sent back to their Regiments from the various Departments under Government, Civil and Military, without any record to show what their conduct has been during absence from Regimental duty; while, at the same time, there is reason to suspect that many of them have, by their misconduct, forfeited all the benefits conferred by the Good Conduct Regulations upon the well behaved Soldier.

2. On these men rejoining their Regiments or Batteries, their Commanding Officers, in the absence of any information regarding them, are compelled to admit them to the advantages of the Good Conduct Warrant, and have even recommended them for the Good Conduct Medal with Gratuity.

3. Sir Hope Grant desires that measures shall be at once adopted to prevent for the future such evasions of the provisions of Her Majesty's Royal Warrant; and with this view His Excellency requests that Departmental Officers will carefully record every instance of misconduct that Soldiers of the Effective Supernumeraries may commit, while serving under their orders. These

entries are to be made in the Soldier's Defaulter Sheet which should have been received* with him from his Regiment, and

* If not, application should be made for it without delay.

that record should be completed to date and sent back to his Regiment with the Soldier when he returns to it.

4. The Soldier in Barracks is constantly under the supervision of his superiors, and his every act of misconduct is noticed and, often, in such way as to involve pecuniary penalty. He has therefore just cause for complaint when he sees his comrade, whose conduct he knows has been no better than his own, in the enjoyment of advantages which he has forfeited.

5. The Commander-in-Chief must request Departmental Officers will adopt measures whereby the habits of the Soldiers serving under their orders may be ascertained by them, and instances of intemperance or other misbehaviour at once detected, punished, and recorded.

6. The Commander-in-Chief will not fail to bring to the notice of Government the name of any Officer who neglects the important duty enjoined in this Circular.

(By order.)

*Adjutant General's Office,
Fort Saint George,
11th March 1864.*

(Signed) J. M. PRIMROSE, Colonel,
Adjutant General.

To the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works.

No. 144.

ORDER THEREON, 6th April 1864, No. 962.

Recorded, with reference to G. O. No. 910, dated 2nd April 1864.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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To The Secretary to Government
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