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No. 508. Read the following Circular from the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Military Works), to the Secretary to Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Simla, 23rd August 1867, No. 83 :—

1. With reference to Public Works Department Circular No. 109, dated 26th October 1865, laying down the details of construction of Quarter Guards for Native Troops, I am directed to forward, for information and guidance, copy of a communication* from the Military Department (together with a Tabular Statement) specifying the number of men for whom accommodation is to be provided in Quarter Guards of Regiments and Wings of Native Cavalry and Infantry.

* No. 7, dated 1st May 1867.

2. As regards the provision of accommodation for Rear Guards, it will be observed that, when considered necessary, a reference should be made by the local Military Authorities on each occasion through His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief for the orders of the Government of India in the Military Department.

Copy to Military Department, Quarter Master General, Adjutant General, and the Sanitary Commissioner for Bengal, for information.

From the Adjutant General, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, dated Simla, 26th April 1867, No. 484N.

1. With reference to your docket No. 987, of the 26th ultimo, forwarding a Memorandum† from the Secretary to Government in the Public Works Department, on the subject of accommodation for Quarter and Rear Guards of Regiments of Native Cavalry and Infantry, I am desired by the Commander-in-Chief to say that His Excellency thinks accommodation should be provided for Quarter Guards in accordance with the strength laid down in General Order by the Commander-in-Chief, dated 22nd September 1864, page 498.

† Herewith returned.

2. The strength of Rear Guards is left, it will be observed, by that Order to the discretion of Commanding Officers, as such guards are considered unnecessary, except in special localities like Peshawur ; but in localities of this description, the Commander-in-Chief thinks that the strength should not exceed the following :—

For Native Cavalry	Duffadar. 1			Sowars. 6
For Native Infantry	Havildar. 1	Naick. 1		Sepoys. 9

3. With regard to the accommodation necessary for the Quarter and Rear Guards of Wings of Native Regiments, I am to remark that His Excellency considers that the accommodation for these guards should be the same as that for a whole Regiment, the accommodation at present recommended for the latter being on the lowest scale consistent with utility.

No. 7.

Copy of the foregoing forwarded to the Public Works Department for information, with an intimation that the Government of India in the Military Department concurs in the opinion of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

When, however, it may be proposed to construct Rear Guards for Native Regiments at any Station, His Excellency will be requested to cause a reference to be made, in the first instance, to this Department.

By Order, &c.,
(Signed) B. E. BACON, Lieut.-Colonel,
Offg. Depy. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT, SIMLA,
1st May 1867.

Table showing the extent of accommodation to be provided in Quarter Guards for Native Troops.

		Native Officers.	Duffadars.	Trumpeters.	Sowars.	Horses.
*Cavalry.**						
For a Regiment or Wing (including Magazine Guard)	G. O. C. dated 22nd Sept. 1864, Adjutant General's letter No. 484, dated 26th April 1867, to Military Dept.	...	2	1	9	
Infantry.		Native Officers.	Havildars.	Naicks.	Bugler or Drummer	Sepoys.
For a Regiment or Wing (including Magazine Guard)	Military Department's No. 7, dated 1st May 1867, to Public Works Dept.	1	1	1	1	12
Add where there are Bells of Arms...		...	...	...	...	6

* *N. B.*—The Horse lines are to be protected at night under Regimental arrangements.

Rear Guards are only allowed in particular localities; when considered necessary, special application should be made for them to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

No. 509. ORDER THEREON, 20th September 1867, No. 2,929.

MILITARY WORKS, No. 36.

Communicated to the Military Department and to the Superintending Engineers, with reference to the Order of the 18th December 1865, No. 3,788.

(True Extract.)

Major, R. E.,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Military Department.
,, Superintending Engineers.
To Captain Kennedy.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

From COLONEL H. E. LONGDEN, Adjutant General, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department,—(No. 484N., dated Simla, the 26th April 1867).

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By Order, &c.,

MILITARY DEPARTMENT, SIMLA, *The 1st May* 1867.

(Signed) B. E. BACON, *Lieut.-Col.*,
Offg. Depy. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 8.—TO THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.

Table showing the extent of accommodation to be provided in Quarter Guards for Native Troops.

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Military Department's No. 7, dated 1st May 1867, to Public Works Department.

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*Cavalry.**					
For a Regiment or Wing (including Magazine Guard)	...	2	1	9	
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Forwards for information and guidance copy of correspondence, with a Tabular Statement, specifying the extent of accommodation to be provided in Quarter Guards of Regiments and Wings of Cavalry and Infantry.

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