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FROM,

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In Charge FIRST CIRCLE

TO,

THE CHIEF ENGINEER

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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ENCLOSURES. -

SUBJECT.

G. Venkatarreddy -
Clerk employed on Blughi
Chat Road.

Requests to obtain the
Sanction of Government
for the admission of -
whose age is over 25
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MILITARY DEPARTMENT, May 1888, No.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Ordinance Department—Stores-Supplies.

Read the following papers:—

No. . From Lieutenant-Colonel D. J. S. McLEOD, Deputy Quarter Master General, Madras Army, to Brigadier-General A. KENNEY-HERBERT, Secretary to Government, Military Department; dated Ootacamund, 6th March 1888, No. 710-B.

Submitted for the consideration and orders of Government.

2. The orders of the Government of India seem to the Commander-in-Chief to contemplate conditions which do not prevail in this Presidency in which the Ordnance Department supplies kit boxes complete with locks and keys to the Barrack Department for issue to corps, &c.; whereas in the other Presidencies the Barrack Department being a manufacturing department makes up and supplies the boxes, while the Ordnance Department supplies the locks and keys.

3. If kit boxes are in future to be supplied as articles of barrack furniture in this Presidency, it will be requisite that the Commissariat Department undertake their manufacture and supply complete with locks and keys, the Barrack Department merely issuing them, as it does now, to corps, &c.

From Lieutenant-Colonel C. W. BRERETON, R.A., for Inspector-General of Ordnance, to the Quarter Master General, Madras Army; dated Fort St. George, 2nd March 1888, No. 16643-I.

The Government of India having directed that for the future the kit boxes (or soldiers' boxes) should be issued by the Barrack Department furnished with locks and keys complete as articles of barrack furniture, unseizable locks and keys being replaced at the expense of the State, and the Barrack Department being responsible for all renewals and repairs, I have the honor to state, for the information of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, that I have been instructed by the Director-General of Ordnance in India to hand the present stock of locks over to the Barrack Department as also the stock of kit boxes. I have therefore to request that, under the orders of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, you will be so good as to direct the Officers in charge of the Barrack Department at Madras, Bellary and Rangoon to receive, as soon as possible from the Ordnance Officers at the stations named above, the whole of the boxes (soldiers) and padlocks with keys at present in charge of this department.

No. . No. 9492.

Forwarded. As the Ordnance Department has in this Presidency hitherto supplied kit boxes with locks and keys complete, it seems desirable that that department should continue the issue.

2. The objection of the Government of India was to the issue of the boxes by one department and the locks and keys by another, but in Madras the Ordnance supplies both.

MADRAS,
9th March 1888.

(Signed) J. C. GUNNING, Colonel,
Offg. Commissary-General.

No. 1892.

Forwarded to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief for favor of remarks, with reference to para. 1 of the Commissary-General's memorandum.

2. If His Excellency sees no objection, the Government of India will be asked to permit the existing system to continue in this Presidency.

(By Order.)
FORT ST. GEORGE, (Signed) A. KENNEY-HERBERT, Brigdr.-Genl.,
16th March 1888. Secretary to Government.

To the Quarter Master General.

No. From Lieutenant-Colonel D. J. S. McLEOD, Deputy Quarter Master General, Madras Army, to Brigadier-General A. KENNEY-HERBERT, Secretary to Government, Military Department; dated Ootacamund, 21st March 1888, No. 908-B.

In returning the papers received with Proceedings of Government, No. 1892, dated 16th instant, I have the honor, by order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, to suggest that, as "boxes (soldiers)" are really articles of barrack furniture and as the Commissariat Department supplies all such furniture in this Presidency, that department should likewise make the supply of these articles and their keys as soon as it can conveniently arrange to undertake it.

No. From Brigadier-General A. KENNEY-HERBERT, Secretary to the Government of Madras, Military Department, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department; dated Ootacamund, 9th April 1888, No. 2349.

With reference to your office No. 699-D, dated 20th February 1888, I am directed to state that, as the Barrack Department in this Presidency is not a manufacturing department, it has heretofore been customary for the Ordnance Department to supply kit boxes complete with locks and keys for issue to corps, &c., by the Barrack Department.

2. I am now to suggest for approval that henceforward kit boxes be supplied by the Commissariat Department (since all articles of barrack furniture are provided by that department in the Madras Presidency), the Barrack Department being merely answerable for their issue to corps, &c., as required as at present.

No. From Major A. D. ANDERSON, Officiating Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, to Brigadier-General A. KENNEY-HERBERT, Secretary to the Government of Madras, Military Department; dated Simla, the 5th May 1888, No. 1625-D.

Ordnance Department—Stores Supplies.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 2349, dated the 9th April 1888, suggesting that kit boxes be henceforward supplied by the Commissariat Department, which provides all articles of barrack furniture in the Madras Presidency.

2. In reply I am to say, for the information of the Governor in Council, that as the Government of India have the whole question of Barrack Department issues, stores, &c., under consideration, they would prefer to make no change in existing arrangements at present.

3. I am further to add, in continuation of Military Department No. 1136-D, dated the 29th March 1888, that it is the intention of the Government of India that the locks and keys should be issued as part of the soldiers' kit or ammunition boxes, and should therefore be received back with them when returned to store.

No. ORDER THEREON, 30 May 1888, No. 3548.

Ordered that the foregoing letter from the Government of India be communicated to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief and departments concerned, with reference to Proceedings of Government, No. 2810, dated 26th April 1888.

2. The question of transferring the duty of supplying and repairing barrack furniture from the Commissariat to the Public Works Department is now engaging the attention of this Government.

Proceedings of Government, No. 2693, dated 21st April 1888.

(True Extract.)

A. Kenney-Herbert,
Brigdr.-Genl.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Quarter Master General.
" Inspector-General of Ordnance.
" Commissary-General.
" Public Works Department.
" Controller of Military Accounts.

Exl. E. C. Shunker.