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No. 2906 G.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

GENERAL.

Simla, the 10th October 1889.

Grant of War Medals to efficient Reservist Volunteers.

The following is forwarded to the Local Governments, Administrations and Officers noted in the margin, in continuation of Public Works Department No. 1330G, dated 10th May 1889.

The Governments of Madras, Bombay, Bengal, the North-Western Provinces and Oudh and the Punjab.
The Chief Commissioners, of the Central Provinces, Burma, Assam and Coorg.
The Resident at Hyderabad.
The Agents to the Governor General for Central India, Rajputana and Baluchistan.
The Accountant General, Public Works Department.
The Director General of Railways.
The Consulting Engineers to the Government of India for Railways, Calcutta, Central Division and Lucknow.
The Director General of Telegraphs.

By order,

G. H. D. WALKER,
Under-Secretary.

No. 2315-B, Simla, the 18th September 1889.

From—The Government of India, Military Department,
To—The Adjutant-General in India.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 3020-B, dated the 13th August 1889, stating that the Commander-in-Chief adheres to his former opinion that only those reservist volunteers, who have at some previous time been efficient volunteers of the active force, should be eligible for the grant of war medals under the conditions laid down for volunteers in India Army Circulars of 1887, clause 148. His Excellency does not think it desirable that the two classes of volunteers should be placed on the same footing, and considers that every encouragement should be given to men to join the active force, which would not be the case if the ordinary reservist were granted equal privileges in the matter of title to war medals.

2. In reply, I am to state, for the information of the Commander-in-Chief, that the Governor-General in Council, having given full consideration to His Excellency Sir Frederick Robert's views, considers that it will, on the whole, be preferable to rule that an efficient reservist volunteer should be deemed equally eligible with an efficient volunteer of the active force for the grant of war medals under the same conditions, although he may not have been at any time previous to his joining the reserve an efficient volunteer of the active force.

3. The Government of India are especially concerned in the increase of the volunteer reserve; and although they would not willingly adopt any measure which might have the effect of encouraging men to enter that reserve without first passing through the active volunteer force, they do not apprehend that the decision now come to will have that effect. There are some men who will join the volunteer reserve direct and would in no case pass through the active volunteers, while it is not thought that the very remote chance of earning a medal would materially affect the decision of men who are doubtful. It is considered, moreover, that when once a soldier is allowed to carry a rifle and to go into action, he could not well be denied the right to wear a medal if he fairly earns it, and the Governor-General in Council considers that if the volunteer of the active force is allowed under certain conditions to receive a war medal, the volunteer of the reserve must be held equally entitled to do so, if he fulfils those conditions.

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For C. No. 10015.

MEMORANDUM.

REQUESTED for ^{office use} ~~reference~~ the undermentioned papers:—

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6 Copies of Proceedings in the
Military Department No. 6988
Dated 14th October 1889.

P. W. SECRETARIAT,

Chepák, 30th Oct. 1889.

Chapman

Chief Assistant
P. W. Secretariat

To

The First Assistant
Military Department. *J*

MILITARY DEPARTMENT, 14TH OCTOBER 1889, No. 6988.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Medals.

Read the following paper:—

No. 178. From Brigadier-General E. COLLEN, C.B., Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, to the Director-General in India; dated Simla, the 18th September 1889, No. 2315-B.

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No. 2315-B.

Copy forwarded, in continuation of Military Department Circular memo. No. 207-G, dated 17th April 1889, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Military Department.

(By Order.)

SIMLA,
18th September 1889.

(Signed) E. G. BARROW,
for Dy. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 179. ORDER THEREON, 14th October 1889, No. 6988.

Communicated to Military Departments generally, also to the Secretariat Departments, in continuation of Proceedings of Government, No. 3598, dated 3rd June 1889.

(True Extract.)

H. S. Muller

Colonel,
for Secretary to Government.

To the Adjutant-General.

- " Quarter Master General.
- " Inspector-General of Ordnance.
- " Commissary-General.
- " Controller of Military Accounts.
- " Superintendent, Army Clothing.
- " Superintendent, Family Payments and Pensions.
- " Superintendent, Reserve Remount Depôt, Hosúr.
- " Surgeon-General, Her Majesty's Forces, Madras.
- " Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras.
- " Military Secretary to His Excellency the Governor.
- " Military Secretary to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.
- " Public, &c., Departments.
- " Revenue Department.
- " Public Works Department. *Smith 10/1/8*
- " Public Works Department (Railways).

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MILITARY.

To THE ADJUTANT-GENERAL,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated October, 14th.

Issued

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 14th October 1889, No. 6988.

OCTOBER.
Nos. 178-179.

Medals.

Efficient Reservist Volunteers.—Decision of the Government of India directing the grant of war medals to — under the conditions laid down for volunteers in India Army Circulars of 1887, clause 148, communicated to Military Departments generally, also to the Secretariat Departments.

Chief Engr for India.
Consq. Engr for Ry.
Chief Engr. Berings Project.
Suptg. Engineers.
Consq. Architect to Govt.
Examiner P.W. accts.
Examiner Ry accts.

No: 3072 W.d/ October 31, 1889

Communicated
to officers of the P. W. Dept.
in Continuation of G.O.

No: 1408 W.d/ 28th May 1889.

Jof R. R. E. D. B

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