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ORDER—dated 29th November 1894, No. 1038, Financial.

His Excellency the Governor in Council considers that the proposed experiment should succeed. Almost all the departmental budgets are now in type in the new form laid down by the Government of India in its letter,* dated 11th September 1894, No. 4545-A, and there should be no difficulty in casting them into the form of the Civil estimates in ample time to admit of their being utilized by Government and the Accountant-General for the estimates to be submitted to the Government of India in January.

2. Such number of *printed* copies, including explanatory remarks, as may be required will be supplied to the Government of India and to the Comptroller and Auditor General on the 15th January of each year. The latter officer, as well as the local Accountant-General, may carry out such corrections and additions as may be necessary and call for revised proofs whenever required. The final copies of the Civil estimates will be struck off only after the Comptroller-General supplies all the requisite information and passes the proofs. Arrangements will be made by the Superintendent of the Government Press to keep the type standing permanently, so that only the figures will be changed each year, as has hitherto been the practice at Calcutta.

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4. The arrangement sketched out above will carry with it an additional advantage in admitting of heads of departments being supplied by the Government Press, after the Civil estimates for the year have been finally struck, with correct forms to be utilized for their budget estimates for the following year. The Press, whilst retaining the form of the estimates, will transfer the budget figures of the current year to their appropriate column, leaving the columns of actuals, revised estimate, and budget estimate blank.

5. The following letter will be addressed to the Government of India :—

[Here enter No. 1039, dated 29th November 1894.]

(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,
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To the Comptroller and Auditor General.

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