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Government of Madras.

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DEPARTMENT.

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27th April 1866.

Read the following papers :—

No. 116. From the Superintendent of the Government Central Museum, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 3rd November 1865, No. 205.

I have the honor to annex a copy of a letter from W. D'Oyly, Esq., Collector of Ahmednuggur, to my address, and request I may be favored with the instructions of Government with reference to the last sentence thereof.

2. I have received a letter on the same subject from the Collector of Belgaum, who did not say anything about payment. But the Collector of Kulladgee has asked "by whom the value of the coins is to be paid;" I replied that, as Government had taken action upon my request that coins should be presented to the Museum, I must assume that such was their intention, but that I had not been favored with any order on the subject.

3. I may add that the total value of the nineteen Rupees entered in Mr. D'Oyly's list is only Rupees 17-9-5, and that there are probably two or three that I do not require.

From the Collector and Magistrate of Ahmednuggur, to the Superintendent of the Government Central Museum at Madras; dated Ahmednuggur, 26th October 1865, No. 1879.

With reference to your letter to the Madras Government, No. 159, dated the 8th August 1865, I have the honor to forward the accompanying List, showing the number and description of Coins procurable in this Collectorate, and to request that you will inform me which, and how many, of them you would desire to have forwarded to you; at the same time sending a remittance to the amount of their value.

List showing the number and description of Coins procurable in the Ahmednuggur Collectorate, and their equivalent value in Government Rupees.

Number.	Names of Coins.	Value of each coin in Government money.	Number of each description to be had.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5
		RS. A. P.		
1	Chandoree Rupee.....	0 15 6	100	
2	Poona Sicka „	0 15 2	200	
3	Jurreputka „	0 15 0	50	
4	Sumsherry „	0 15 0	100	
5	Salur Shicka „	0 14 0	3000	
6	Indore „	1 0 0	100	
7	Oogoon „	0 14 0	10	
8	Ahmedabadee „	0 13 0	10	
9	Hallee Shicka „ (have the figure 10 inscribed on them).....	1 0 6	10	
10	Bellapooree Rupee.....	0 14 6	100	
11	Veedooree „	0 15 3	50	
12	Vafgaom „	0 14 6	25	
13	Shahajunnee „	1 0 0	5	
14	Arcot „	1 0 0	5	
15	Narrayen Pethee „	0 12 0	10	
16	Jyapooree „	1 0 0	10	
17	Broach „	0 14 6	10	
18	Old soortee „	0 15 0	10	
19	Ali Bag „	0 13 6	500	

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
27th April 1866.*

No. 116 A.

No. 432.

MEMORANDUM.

The Under Secretary to Government, Public, &c., Departments, is directed to request that the Superintendent, Government Central Museum, will be good enough to state whether he has funds from which he can purchase any of the coins, referred to in his letter of the 3rd instant, No. 205, that he requires.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
11th November 1865.

(Signed) C. G. WALKER,
Under Secretary.

To the Superintendent Government Central Museum.

No. 117. From the Superintendent of the Government Central Museum, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 14th November 1865, No. 214.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of an Official Memorandum, No. 432, of the 11th November 1865, and to reply thereto as follows:—

1st.—In my application to Government, No. 159, dated 8th August 1865, I requested His Excellency the Governor in Council to solicit the Government of India to present to the Madras Museum one example of each coin current, or lately current, in the several Native States, except Hyderabad in the Deccan and Mysore. Had I been in a position to pay for these coins, I beg respectfully to observe that I should not have considered myself justified in trespassing upon the valuable time of Government, as the Officers of Government, both in Bengal and Bombay, would, I have little doubt, have selected for me such coins as were procurable in their several Districts.

2nd.—It is not a question of paying for the coins mentioned in the letter of the Collector of Ahmednuggur, the value of which I can readily spare, but of paying for all the coins which may be procurable in all India, Madras excepted; for I am informed by Mr. A. Grey, the Collector of Belgaum, that my letter, No. 159, above referred to, “has* been forwarded to the Government of Bombay, and circulated to the Collectors in this Presidency.” It must, I presume, have been sent to the Government of Bombay by the Government of India, and doubtless has been also sent to all authorities under that Government. It appears to me that in so doing, it must have been the intention of the Supreme Government to comply with my request, and make the Museum a present of the coins, and that it is only by an oversight that the Government of Bombay has not received instructions to that effect. I am very desirous to obtain these coins for the Museum, and trust Government will favor me with all the assistance in its power. The changes that have taken place in India, during the last few years, and the increased facilities of intercourse will, it seems to me, tend to the destruction of the Native coinages, by increasing the circulation of British currency, the value of which, as having a fixed standard, will be readily appreciated by our Native fellow subjects, and the difficulty of obtaining the coins of the old Native Governments will become greater and greater with the lapse of every year.

* Mr. Grey's official letter, No. 1956 of 1865.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
27th April 1866.*

No. 117 A.

No. 74.

MEMORANDUM.

The Under Secretary to Government, Public, &c., Departments, is directed to request that the Superintendent, Government Central Museum, will state what sum he requires to be placed at his disposal for the purchase of coins.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Under Secretary.

6th March 1866.

To the Superintendent, Government Central Museum.

No. 118. From the Superintendent of the Government Central Museum, to the Under Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 21st March 1866, No. 43.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Official Memorandum, No. 74, dated 6th March 1866, requesting me to state what sum I require to be placed at my disposal for the purchase of coins.

2. In the absence of any catalogue of the coins of Bengal, Assam, the North-West Provinces, the Punjab, Nepaul, Cashmere, &c., it is very difficult to say what sum may be required to pay for one example of each coin procurable, but I do not think I can name a less sum than Rupees (4000) four thousand.

3. I trust it will be understood by the authorities in Bengal and the Upper Provinces, that, besides the coins now, or very recently, current, I am very anxious to obtain examples of such modern coins as may be procurable. Under this head will be included any coins struck during the last five or six hundred years, or more. The object in view is to obtain as complete a set as possible of all the coins of India, as well ancient as modern and current coins.

No. 119. From R. SIMSON, Esq., Secretary to the Government of the North-Western Provinces, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Camp Muchleeshehar, 11th January 1866, No. 112.

General Department.

I am desired to acknowledge receipt of your letter, No. 1269, of the 13th ultimo, with its enclosure.

2. In reply, I am desired to remark that the misapprehension as to the coins of which specimens are required for the Government Museum at Madras, has arisen mainly from the terms of Captain Mitchell's letter, No. 159, of the 8th August last, to your address.

3. He states in it that he desires to obtain examples of Indian coins “which may be current in Native States politically connected with the Government of India, or of coins issued by the several Governments.” It has been officially reported that British coin alone is current in Rampore, the only Native State directly connected politically with this Government, and no coins have been issued by the Government of the North-Western Provinces since its establishment.

4. In regard to the request now made by Captain Mitchell, in his letter, No. 232, of the 4th ultimo, I am to state that this Government will be happy to assist in collecting specimens of such of the coins enumerated as are at present procurable in these Provinces, but I am to inquire within what limits the expenditure, which it will be necessary to incur in the purchase of such coins, is to be kept.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
27th April 1866.*

No. 120. From the Accountant General, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated 17th April 1866, No. 358.

Budget Department.

Vide your Office Memorandum, No. 111, dated 10th April 1866, Educational Department.

2. The actual expenditure during the first ten months of the current official year, under "Education, Science, and Art," was Rupees 6,43,040, to which if one-fifth, viz., Rupees 1,28,608 of that amount be added, as the probable expenditure during the remaining two months, the savings for the whole year will appear to be Rupees 1,40,546; but I have to remark that nearly the whole of this amount will be required to meet excess expenditure under other heads of service, as stated in this Office Memorandum, No. 249, dated 2nd February 1866.

No. 121.

ORDER THEREON, 27th April 1866, No. 430.

Under the circumstances stated in the foregoing Memorandum from the Accountant General, His Excellency the Governor in Council regrets that he is unable to comply with Captain Mitchell's application for a grant of Rupees 4000 for the purchase of coins.

2. The Government of the North-Western Provinces will be informed, in reply to Mr. Secretary Simson's letter of the 11th January last, that, on further consideration, the Madras Government do not think it advisable to incur any expenditure in the purchase of coins, and request that their application for aid in the matter may be considered to be withdrawn. A similar communication will be made to the Government of India, and the Governments of Bengal and Bombay.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Superintendent, Government Central Museum.
Accountant General.

J. H. Burns.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT

No. 431.

FROM

A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Esq.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
HOME DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

With reference to my letter of the 29th January last, No. 87, I am directed to inform you that, on further consideration, the Madras Government do not think it advisable at present to incur any expenditure in the purchase of coins, and request that their application for aid in the matter may be considered to be withdrawn.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
27th April 1866.

Chief Secretary.

Ed. J. H. Burns.

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PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

No. 432.

FROM

A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Esq.,

Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL.

SIR,

With reference to my letter to the Government of India, of the 29th January last, No. 87, a copy of which was furnished to the Government of Bengal, I am directed to inform you that, on further consideration, the Madras Government do not think it advisable at present to incur any expenditure in the purchase of coins, and request that their application for aid in the matter may be considered to be withdrawn.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

FORT SAINT GEORGE,

27th April 1866.

Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

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PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

No. 433.

FROM

A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Esq.,

Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George,

TO

R. SIMSON, Esq.,

Secretary to Government, North-Western Provinces.

SIR,

In acknowledging the receipt of your letter of the 11th January last, No. 112 A, I am directed to inform you that, on further consideration, the Madras Government do not think it advisable at present to incur any expenditure in the purchase of coins, and request that their application for aid in the matter may be considered to be withdrawn.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
27th April 1866.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

Chief Secretary.

Ed. J. H. Burns.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

No. 434.

FROM

A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Esq.,

Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY.

SIR,

In acknowledging the receipt of the letters dated as per margin, I am directed

7th November 1865, No. 2,028
28th December „ „ 2,321
3rd January 1866, „ 9

to inform you that, on further consideration, the Madras Government do not think it advisable at present to incur any ex-

penditure in the purchase of coins, and request that their application for aid in the matter may be considered to be withdrawn.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
27th April 1866.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

Chief Secretary.

Public Department
N^o 4432
Memorandum 15/

The under secretary to Govt
Public Department is directed
to request that the Superintendent
Government Central Museum will
be good enough to state whether he
has funds from which he can
purchase any of the coins referred
to in his letter of the 3rd Instant
N^o 205 that he requires

Fork St George
11th November 1865

Signed J. C. G. Walker
Under Secretary

To The Superintendent
Govt Central Museum.

No. 112 A of 1866.

FROM

R. SIMSON, ESQUIRE,

Secretary to the Government of the
North Western Provinces,

TO

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE, MADRAS.

Dated Camp *Muchlreshkur* the 11th January 1866.

SIR,

GENERAL DEPT.

I AM desired to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 1269, of the 13th ultimo, with its enclosure.

2. In reply I am desired to remark that the misapprehension as to the coins of which specimens are required for the Government Museum at Madras, has arisen mainly from the terms of Captain Mitchell's letter No. 159, of the 8th August last, to your address.

3. He states in it that he desires to obtain examples of Indian coins "which may be current in Native States politically connected with the Government of India, or of coins issued by the several Governments." It has been officially reported that British coin alone is current in Rampore, the only Native State directly connected politically with this Government, and no coins have been issued by the Government of the North Western Provinces since its establishment.

4. In regard to the request now made by Captain Mitchell in his letter No. 232, of the 4th ultimo, I am to state that this Government will be happy to assist in collecting specimens of such of the coins enumerated as are at present procurable in these Provinces, but I am to enquire within what limits the expenditure which it will be necessary to incur in the purchase of such coins, is to be kept.

I have the honor to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

R. Simson

Secretary to the Government of the
North Western Provinces.

Copy
Public Dept
Memorandum Date
11th November No. 132
of 1865.

Public Department

No 74.

Memorandum

The Under Secretary to Government Public Department is directed to request that the Superintendent Government Central Museum will state what sum he requires to be placed at his disposal for the purchase of Coins.

Signed J. Grose.
Under Secretary.

Fort St. George }
6th March 1866 }

To The Superintendent Government
Central Museum.

No 13 Receipts No 3843

Recd 1866

1866

No 430

1866

No 91

Under Secretary
in connection with
the Coins required for
the Indian Museum.

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Letters from the Superintendent of the Government Central
Museum dated 8th and 14th November 1806 and 24th March 1806.

Memorandum

In sending Captain
Mitchell a list of the description
of coins procurable at Ahmednug-
gur, the Collector requested a
remittance to the amount of the
value of such as Captain Mitchell
might select - the sum was small.
On his referring the Collector's
request for the instructions of
Government, Captain Mitchell
was asked if he had funds from
which he could purchase any of
the coins. He replied that it was
not a question of paying for
these few coins, the value of
which he could readily spare,
but of paying for all the coins
which might be procurable in
all India, Madras excepted.
He pointed out that in his
original letter of the 8th August

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Coins and from the
10th March 1806.

24. 11.

as possible of all coins of India,
as well ancient as modern, and
current coins.

The letter from ^{the} Government
N.W. Provinces of the 11th January
1866 is not yet disposed of.
That Government enquired with-
in what limits the expenditure,
which it will be necessary
to incur in the purchase of
coins, is to be kept.

Public Department
N^o 432
Memorandum 13/

The under secretary to Govt.
Public Department is directed
to request that the Superintendent
Government Central Museum will
be good enough to state whether he
has funds from which he can
purchase any of the coins referred
to in his letter of the 3rd Instant
N^o 205 that he requires

Fort St. George.
11th November 1865

Signed J. C. G. Walker
Under Secretary

To The Superintendent
Govt. Central Museum.

suffice. He expresses a hope
that the Authorities in Bengal
and the upper Provinces will
understand that his object is

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers;

From the Superintendent Govt. Printing Press (Here entered 20th March 1866 No. 205; 214 & 223)
" Secretary to Govt. N. W. Provinces (11th January 1866 No. 112)
Memoranda from the Accountant General (17th April 1866 No. 358)

Order thereon 27th April 1866 No. 430.

Under the circumstances stated in the foregoing Memorandum from the Accountant General, His Excellency the Governor in Council regret that he is unable to con- sider with Captain Ritchie's application for a grant of 4,000 for the purchase of coins.

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(Council)

V. G.

W. G.

will be informed in reply to
Mr. Secretary Simons letter
of the 11th January last that on
^{further} ~~public~~ consideration the Madras
Government ^{do not} think it advisable
to ~~immediately~~ ~~expenditure~~ in
the purchase of coins and
request that their application
for aid in the matter may
be considered to be withdrawn.
A similar communication
will be made to the Govern-
ment of India and the Govern-
ments of Bengal and Bombay.

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To the Supdt. Govt. Arch. Museum }
" Accountant General - } 1845

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Public Department. 21/

No. 431.

To

The Secretary to the Government
of India,

Home Department.

Sir,

With reference to my
letter of the 29th January last
A. 87, I am directed to inform
you that on further consideration,
the Madras Government do
not think it advisable to incur
any expenditure in the pur-
-chase of coins, and request
that their application for aid
in the matter may be con-
sidered to be withdrawn.

For S. S. S. S.
27 April 1866

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Public 1860. Department

No. 430

PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT.

Dated 27 April 1866.

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Public Department

N. 432.

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To
The Secretary to the Government
of Bengal.

Sir,

With reference to my
letter to the Government of India
of the 29th January last No. 27,
a copy of which was furnished
to the Government of Bengal,
I am directed to inform you
that on further consideration
the Madras Government ~~do~~
not think it advisable ^{at present} to incur
any expenditure in the purchase
of coins, and request that their
application for aid in the
matter may be considered to
be withdrawn.

For Lt. Genl.
27 April 1866



Public Works Department

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The Secretary to the Govt
of India

Letter 27/4/66 (1866)

deposited

No. 433.

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Recd 18 May

To, P. Simson Esq.
Secretary to Govt. North Western Province.

Sir,

I acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th January last No. 112 A. I am directed to inform you that on your consideration the Government do not think it advisable to incur any expenditure in the purchase of coins, and request that this application for aid in the matter may be considered to be withdrawn.

Wm. A. Lawrence
27 April 1863

W.A.L.

Private Secy to Govt.

18 May 1863

Secretary to the Govt.
of Bengal

Recd 29th May 1863

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Public Department

N. 434.

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To

The Secretary to the Government
of Bombay

Sir,

In acknowledging the receipt of the letter dated as per margin, I am directed to inform you that on further consideration the Madras Government do not think it advisable ~~to incur~~ ^{to incur} any expenditure in the purchase of coins, and request that their application for aid in the matter may be considered to be withdrawn.

7th November 1865 No. 2028
28th December " 2021
3rd January 1866 " 9

John St George
27 April 1866

[Signature]

hit 28 May

Public Works Department

N. 433.

W. Henderson Esq.
Secretary to Govt.
North Western Provinces.

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8 Jan 1866 28 & 29.
29 Jan 58 & 59.
12 Jan 52 & 53.

list of 8 Jan.

Public Works Departt.

N^o 434

The Secretary to the Govt
of Bombay

Dated 27th April 1866.