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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Police **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
23rd March 1867.

No. 160. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Military Department, dated 9th March 1867, No. 856.

Sanctioning, temporarily, the grant of a }
salary of Rupees 30, with Rupees 15 } (Vide Proceedings, Military Department,
foreign allowance, to an unpassed Clerk } dated 9th March 1867, Nos. 227 & 228.)
of the Commissariat Department at }
Penang, named "Cheng Ho."

No. 161. ORDER THEREON, 23rd March 1867, No. 311.

Communicated to the Commissioner for the Uncovenanted Civil Service Examinations.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

To the Commissioner for the Uncovenanted Civil Service Examinations.

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MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers :—

From the Controller of Military Accounts, Fort Saint George, 25th February 1867, B; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor to forward a letter from the Commissary General, dated 22nd February 1867, No. 6616, requesting sanction for a salary of Rupees 30, with

“Cheng Ho.”

Rupees 15 foreign allowance, being passed to an unpassed clerk entertained at Penang for employment until a passed clerk could be sent from Madras, no passed candidate being available, and no unpassed clerks being willing to accept the maximum salary admissible to an unpassed man.

2. Under the circumstances, Government may see fit to sanction the admission of Rupees 45 to the clerk in question.

3. With reference to the last paragraph of the Commissary General's letter, I would remark that, in view of the early transfer of the Straits' Settlements to the Colonial Office, it appears unadvisable to send any clerk from Madras.

From the Commissary General, Madras, 22nd February 1867, No. 6,616; to the Controller of Military Accounts, Fort Saint George.

I have the honor to inform you that a Store clerk of this Department at Penang, by name “Oh Chin Lin,” was discharged for misconduct in June 1866.

2. As passed candidates are not available in the Straits, one “Cheng Ho,” an unpassed candidate, but competent to perform the duties required of him, was appointed by the Executive Commissariat Officer to fill up the vacancy.

3. In consequence of the employment of an unpassed candidate, I sanctioned his appointment as a temporary measure, on a salary of Rupees 25.

4. Lieutenant Colonel J. Elphinstone now represents that “experience has shewn that a competent clerk cannot be had in the Straits to serve on that salary, and the present writer would certainly not remain in the office if his pay were to be reduced from Rupees 45 to Rupees 25—the latter sum being the rate of pay allowed to him in the recommendation certificate.” He has instructed Lieutenant Wheldon, Assistant Commissary at Penang, to keep him on Rupees 45 until a clerk is sent out from Madras, as otherwise, it cannot be expected that the cash accounts and store returns of that station can be kept up to date.

5. Under these circumstances, I request you will be good enough to obtain the sanction of Government for the retention of the above clerk at Penang on Rupees 30, and foreign allowance Rupees 15, until he is relieved by a competent clerk from Madras, for which endeavours are being made.

6. Meanwhile, as the Straits' Settlements are shortly to be transferred to the Home Authorities, I would beg to be informed whether it would be advisable to send a clerk from this to Penang.

ORDER, No. 856, 9th March 1867.

Sanctioned as a temporary arrangement.

(True Extract.)

John Elphinstone Colonel

Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Controller of Military Accounts, with an enclosure.

Commissary General

Public Department.

With 5 spare Copies

Exd. A. W. Cooke.

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