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Recording communication from the Dy Adj: Genl forwarding copy of letter addressed to the Govt of India furnishing information in detail regarding receipts and charges of the Nilgiri Volunteer Rifles.

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Payment	Amount Rs A P	6 Receipt	Amount Rs A P	Remarks
Cesson arms 280/8/- 4th (& last) Instalment for magazine 1894/	475 12 –			
1. Custody, Care and Repair of Arms	2039 12 3	By balance from la[illegible]	1791 5 9	
2. Rifle Ranges	2027 0 7	" Capitation Grant for years 1895 [illegible]	[illegible]	
3. Store Rooms	2378 14 6	" Sale of Empty Cartridge cases 94-95	2[illegible] 10 8	
4. Drill grounds, Sheds, &c	34 3 3	" Serge and Equipment issued to officers	366 4 3	
5. Clothing	3474 6 2	Sergeant-Instructors house rent	720 – –	
6. Cost of conveyances to and from Parades Drills, Target Practice	802 1 1	Payment ammunition expended on Ranges	501 8 1	
7. Camps of Exercise	– –	Field day allowance for 18th Decr. 1894	145 – –	
8. Extra Ammunition and Stores on payment	823 15 –	" " " " 8th March 1895	456 – –	
9. Service Labels Telegrams, Books, Returns, &c	574 15 4			
10. Store Keeper's allowance	120 – –			
11. Miscellaneous payments	1773 13 10			
Advance of Capitation Grant received 8th March 1895	3000 – –			
	17794 14 7			
Balance in hand on 31st March 1896	816 8 1			
	18561 6 8		18561 6 8	

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Payment	Amount Rs	A	p		Rs	A	p
Cess of arms Rs 279 second instalment for magazine 1894	468	4	–	ear	662	3	–
1. Custody, care and Repair of Arms	1668	3	10	By Balan the year 1893-94	11050	–	–
				ce for 1894-95.	3000	–	–
2. Rifle Ranges	1255	11	7	" Capital ge Cases (amount not yet drawn)			
3. Store Rooms	1467	14	9	" Sale of ent sold to officers	340	15	6
4. Drill Grounds, Sheds, &c	9	8	6	" Serge an rs' House Rent	740	–	–
5. Clothing	6957	3	"	Sergeant- expended on Ranges	536	6	9
6. Cost of Conveyances to and from Parades, Drills, Target Practices....	545	1	"	By sale of			
7. Camps of Exercise	–	–	–	" "			
8. Extra Ammunition and Stores on payment	1450	–	–				
9. Service labels, Telegrams, Books, Returns &c	507	10	1				
10. Store keeper's allowance	120	–	–				
11. Miscellaneous payments	1669	8	10				
Balance on hand on 1st April 1894	662	3	–				
	14781	4	7		16329	9	3

This amount is included in the [illegible] under item 3 [illegible]

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Adjutant, Nilgiri Volunteer Rifles

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Captn.
Adjt Genl.

(Sd) Robert E. Cox Colonel,
Commandant, Nilgiri Volunteer Rifles.

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Payments	Amount Rs	A	p	Re
Cross arms A1274 3rd Instalment Magazine Rs 1894	465	4	–	
1. Custody, Care and Repair of Arms	1806	15	6	By Balance fro
2. Rifle Ranges	1456	12	2	" Capitation Gr
3. Store Rooms	2010	4	6	" Sale of Empty
4. Drill Grounds, Sheds, &c.	58	12	–	" Sergeant Ex
5. Clothing	4174	0	4	Sergeant In
6. Cost of conveyances to and from Parades, Drills, Target Practices –	740	10	–	Payment, ammu
7. Camps of exercise	161	13	–	
8. Extra Ammunition and Stores on payment –	781	5	4	
9. Service labels, Telegrams, Books, Returns, &c	478	4	10	
10. Storekeeper's allowance	120	–	–	
11. Miscellaneous payments	2186	1	11	
Balance in hand on 1st April 1895	1791	5	8	
	16329	9	3	

ammunition) artridge cases					Rs 729
ipment sold to Officers and others	454	1	11		
atory House rent					Rs 500
idge cases & lead	152	11	7		
ent ammunition	364	7	3		
					Rs 400 Carriage Freight
	4781	4	7		

(Sd) C. J. W. Grant Major
Adjutant, Nilgiri Volunteer Rifles

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Major
Vr: Rifles.

(Sd) Robert E. C
Commandant, N

n. Captain,
sst: Adjt: Genl.

Advances
Volunteers Corps

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No. 3170 F.

Government of India,
Military Department.

Simla, the 17th October 1896

To

The Lieutenant-General
Commanding the Forces, Ma

Sir,

With reference to the corresp ending with your Excellency's letter No. $\frac{B}{M.V.V.8201}$, dated 1st September 1896, on the subject of a loan of six thousand Rupees (Rs: 6000) applied for by the Nilgiri Volunteer Rifles, I am directed to observe that in Military Department telegram No. 2550 F, dated 17th August 1896, the Government of India called for a statement of the receipts and expenditure of the corps for the last three completed years, and also an estimate of the probable receip and expenditure, for the future, consisten with the past figures after allowing for anticipated savings. The Officer Comm-ing the Corps in his letter No. 382, dated 22nd August 1896, has given the totals only of the receipts . . . .

s regards the future -

I am to observe at it is not possible for the Government of India to properly consider question of granting the loan pplied for until there is sufficient idence to show whether it will be racticable for the corps, by means savings or otherwise, to repay loan with regularity; and on this asis I am to request that full details oth for the past and future, may ow be furnished, through the ontroller of Military Accounts adras Command.

I have etc:

(Sd) F. S. Ramsden
For Dy: Secretary to the
Government of India

y to Controller of Military Accounts
Madras Command.

(True copy)

Captn:
Offg: Dy: Asst: Adjt: Genl:

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Enclos. No 3
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Ootacamund 2nd November

No: 417.

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From
Major A. F. Bardett
Offg: Comdt: Nilgiri Volunteer Rifles,

To
The Asst: Adjutant General
Southern District,
Wellington.

Sir,

With reference to Government of India letter No: 3170 dated Simla, 17th October 1896, forwarded with your Minute No: 3/80 dated 20th October on Dy: Adjutant General's No. 13/M.H. 4497 dated 29th October I have the honour to forward herewith copies of the accounts of the Corps under my Command for the past three complete years. The receipts are those furnished in accordance with Regulations to the Controller of Military Accounts, Madras Command. They have been scrutinized and passed by that Officer as correct. They will be found to support the statements made in my letter No: 332 dated 22nd August last, but give the details more fully. A similar statement, being an estimate for the current year, is also sent as asked for.

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[illegible] If we first [illegible] I have shewn against the different items, the savings it is estimated could be made during the ensuing year [illegible], with reference to items [illegible] these savings are not desirable, and could be effected with great care, should these be absolutely [illegible] it would appear to be false economy to [illegible] the expenditure to that absolutely necessary to keep the Corps going, as it is very essential that it should be maintained to the reasonable satisfaction of the members. This satisfaction in a Corps, purely Voluntary, is an important factor. The possible savings are shewn as Rs: 2,500, but it will be inadvisable to require the Corps to pay [illegible] more than Rs: 1000 per annum. This [illegible] interest will be a sufficient, though [illegible] easy burthen.

[illegible] Statement that the Corps [illegible] in meeting these payments. [illegible] Alexandra House as its [illegible] monthly rent of Rs: 125 [illegible] after its removal into the [illegible] though it has now [illegible] the Corps [illegible] rent at Rs 75 per mensem, Rs: 900 per annum [illegible] no rent to pay [illegible] Rs 900 [illegible] which will go towards repayment [illegible] loan. There will only be a balance of Rs [illegible] [illegible]

instalment of principal [illegible]
interest on Rs [illegible] at 5 p.c. [illegible]
1st year [illegible]
[illegible] annually after [illegible] 210
Total Rupees 210

Savings on magazine [illegible]
[illegible] on arms Rs. 50 — Rs: 239
saving by rent not payable — " 900
[illegible] be met by savings in Items nos. 5 and 11 — " 71
Total Rupees 1,210

annual instalment plus the interest, to make up annually. In the margin I give a synopsis of the annual Government Claim and how it will be met. The outlay is small considering the permanent advantage the Corps will gain hereafter in having suitable permanent Head Quarters free of rent; and the Corps may confidently expect an increased roll of members besides indirect support as the Band and Large Room can now be used for public Entertainments, etc. The Room has already been used in this way, and [illegible] entertainments are [illegible]. In such case proper precautions would be taken to protect the arms and accoutrements.

4. I believe that I am correct in saying that this Corps, of which I have only lately assumed the Command, but in which I have held a Commission since its formation 18 years ago, has

been

[illegible] of an Armoury
[illegible]. The Corps was indeed charged with a portion of the cost of the small magazine erected by the Government, on the ground that they stored their ammunition in it. Other Volunteer Corps have been liberally helped by Grant-in-aid, or by Loans, towards their Building. The urgency for the erection of the present Armoury has before been fully explained; a plain, but sturdy and suitable building has alone been erected. The amount of help we require from Government, (and that as a loan), even is small indeed, considering the purpose to which the money has been applied. The Madras Volunteer Guards, require, I believe, Rs. 50,000 to carry out a similar undertaking.

7. The Government of India have on several [illegible] lately stated that the welfare of the [illegible] movement has their careful consideration [illegible] that its value is fully appreciated by them: [illegible] new act is calculated to increase the [illegible] of the force, and Volunteers have been [illegible] to consent to its provisions, and thus [illegible] to extend their obligation. The [illegible] necessity has arisen on account of the [illegible] having provided itself with Head Quarters,

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as encourage, if not required by the Regulations. This undertaking, on the face of it, shews that it most beneficial to all concerned, (the Armoury [illegible] been constructed in the interests of the Corps, [illegible] the Government). I trust therefore that, now [illegible] opportunity offers, the Government will see [illegible] way to assist the Corps [illegible] may be [illegible] an early date.

I have &c:

(Signed) A. S. Cowdell, Major,
Offg: Comdt: Nilgiri Volunteer Rifles

"True Copy"

Captain
Offg: Dy: Asst: Adjutant General

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[illegible] Statement of expenditure of [illegible] Volunteer Rifles for the past three years, showing the yearly average of the different [illegible]

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Date	1 [illegible]	2 Ranges	3 [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	7 [illegible]	8 Extra ammunition	9 [illegible]	10 Store Keepers	11 [illegible]	[illegible]	Cost of magazine	Permanent Staff
	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P	Rs A P
[illegible]93 – 94	[illegible] 3 11	[illegible] 4 7	1457 4 9	9 [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	650 – –	527 10 1	120 – –	169 9 10	379 – –	189 4 0	
1894 – 95	[illegible] 15 6	[illegible] 13 2	1270 4 6	[illegible]	[illegible] –	161 13 0	781 5 4	478 4 10	120 – –	210 1 11	374 – –	189 4 0	
1895 – 96	[illegible] 12 8	287 0 9	1458 4 6	[illegible]	[illegible] 1 1	– – –	822 15 –	574 15 4	120 – –	145 12 10	286 [illegible]	189 4 0	
Total	[illegible] – –	[illegible] 5 6	4217 1 9	[illegible]	[illegible] 1	161 13 [illegible]	2255 [illegible] 4	1580 14 3	360 – –	524 8 7	[illegible]	567 12 0	
Average	[illegible] 5 [illegible]	[illegible] 13 6	[illegible] 4 3	34[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	685 1 5	520 4 9	120 – –	174 13 6	[illegible]	189 4 0	

Total average yearly expenditure Rs 39[illegible]–11–10.

Future Expenditure

With regard to future expenditure, there is no reason to anticipate any material increase under any of the headings.

There will be a further average annual [illegible]

Average [illegible] annual cost of [illegible] ([illegible]) Rs 177–4–0

" " [illegible] 90–0–0

" " [illegible] 90–0–0

Total Expense 1139–4–0

*Includes the amounts spent on [illegible] days.

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Ootacamund,
6th November 1896

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(Sd) A. G. [illegible] Major
Offg. Commandant Nilgiri Vol.

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No. M.W. 12774 18th November 1896.

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The Lieutenant-General COMMANDING the FORCES, Madras

To the Secretary to Government, Military Department

I have the honor to forward herewith letter No. [illegible] of the 6th instant from the Commandant of the Nilgiri Volunteer Rifles, giving the information called for in your letter No. 2170 [illegible] of the 17th ultimo.

I am etc.

(Sd) F. Ventris Colonel

Asst. Adjutant General,

for Lt. Genl. Comdg. the Forces

Madras (in charge)

Ootacamund, 18th November

No. 2 / M.W. 12774

Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras.

For information with a copy of Government of India letter No. 3870 F of the 17th ultimo and of the

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tement of Receipts of the Nilgiri Volunteer Rifles during [illegible] and the estimated receipts for the 6 years 1896-97 to 1901-02.

Date	3 Subscriptions			5 Clothing Fund			9 Ammunition			Corps Fund			Band Fund			Permanent Staff			Capitation Grant			Field Gra
	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P	Rs
93 - 94	-	-	-	[illegible]	1	11	317	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,350	-	-	457 -
94 - 95	-	-	-	340	15	6	526	4	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11050	-	-	1631 -
95 - 96	-	-	-	366	14	3	757	2	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12295	-	-	1174 -
	-	-	-	1158	15	8	1610	12	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35695	-	-	3262 -
verage	-	-	-	386	5	3	603	9	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11898	5	4	1087 5
Estimated receipts for the 6 years 1896-97 to 1901-02																						
				380	-	-	600	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13500 x	-	-	1150 -

Remarks

x The amount earned during 1895-96 & received during 1896-97 was Rs. 13415. 2 & it is hoped that the grant will still continue to increase, as has been the case during the past few years.

Ootacamund, 6th November 1896.

(Sd) A. G. Cowdell Major

Offg. Commandant Nilgiri V. Rif

(True copy)

[illegible] Captn.

Offg. Dy. Asst. Adjt. Genl.

2nd instant with enclosures.

✓ J. E. Rallinne Colonel,
Asst: Quarter Master Genl:
for Dy: Adjt: General.

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