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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 1250 Press Mis.

Dated 23rd September 1859.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, from 17th to 23d September 1859.

No. 11. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Financial Department; dated 12th September 1859, No. 508.

Ordering that the question of establishing a subordinate Treasury at Cotacamund be considered in the Revenue Department. (Vide Financial Proceedings from 10th to 16th September 1859, Nos. 3-4.)

No. 12. ORDER THEREON, 17th September 1859, No. 1260.

Ordered to be referred to the Board of Revenue for report.

(Signed) W. C. SIM,
Acting Deputy Secretary to Government.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from G. L. PRENDERGAST, Esq., Accountant General; to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 6th September 1859, No. 208.

With reference to the Orders of Government No. 429, Financial Department, dated 2nd Ultimo, requiring me to report on the propositions of Mr. Breeks, that in view to saving Government the trouble and expense of transporting large sums of money monthly from the Coimbatore Treasury to Ootacamund, where the expenditure is stated to reach 8½ Lacs of Rupees yearly, the Parsee Firms on the Hills should be granted Bills of exchange on Bombay, and the Talook Treasury at Ootacamund, erected into a subordinate Treasury, into which the surplus Collections of the adjacent Talooks should be thrown, I have the honor to state that both propositions have my concurrence, as Government will thereby be saved the risk and charges of Remittance to Ootacamund, and encouragement will be afforded to Mercantile operations, I have this day addressed the Accountant General, Bombay, requesting him to acquaint me whether he has any objection to Bills being drawn upon the Sub Treasurer at Bombay, I have proposed to him that in the event of his foreseeing that Financial inconvenience will be felt by the Bombay Government, in meeting the Bills that may be drawn upon it, that he may draw on the Sub Treasurer of this Presidency, or on the Collector of Canara, to the extent to which the Collector of Coimbatore may draw on him.

2. If the Talook Treasury of Ootacamund be made a subordinate Treasury under the charge of the Covenanted Civil Officer there, who I presume is the Sub Collector, the objections at present existing to receiving money at it, in exchange for Bills, will no longer exist. I could at once authorize the Sub-Collector to receive money and grant Bills, keeping a separate Bill register for the purpose, as is now done at Chicacole, by the Principal Assistant to the Collector of Ganjam. Under existing Rules, Bank Notes cannot be received into much less exchanged at Talook and Subordinate Treasures, and therefore Mr. Breeks' suggestion in that respect cannot be entertained at present. The question of the receipt in the above Treasuries of Bank Notes, has been, I observe, referred by Government* for the consideration of the Home Authorities, and the Government of India. The proposition of Mr. Breeks of converting the Talook Treasury at Ootacamund into a subordinate Treasury, can at once be carried out, if Government approve, leaving the settlement of the question regarding the issue of Bills on Bombay, to depend on the nature of the issue of the reference made to the Accountant General there.

* Vide *Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 23rd July* 1859, *No.* 406.

ORDER THEREON, 12th September 1859, No. 503.

Resolved, that the letter from the Accountant General and that part of Mr. Breeks' report to which it relates be referred to the Revenue Department, where the question of establishing a Subordinate Treasury at Ootacamund will be considered.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department.

Ord. A. P. W. Begbie.

R. Cons: 12th Aug 1/59
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No. 1705

Proceedings of the Madras Govt. in the Financial Department

Dated 12th } September,
Recd. 16th } 1859

Ordering that the question of establishing a Subte. Treasury at Ootacamund be considered in the Rev. Dept.

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With an order

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Ordered to be referred to the Board of Revenue for report.

Fort St. Geo. }
17th Sept. 1859 }

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