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Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
3rd September 1862.*

No. 27. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Military Department, dated 1st September 1862, No. 3,001:—

Requesting this Department to make arrangements for the }
early relief of Lieutenant Ouchterlony, Assistant Conser- } (Vide Military Proceedings, 1st September
vator of Forests in Salem, who is directed to join his } 1862, Nos. 9, 10.)
Corps.

No. 28. ORDER THEREON, 3rd September 1862, No. 1,866.

1. Communicated to the Officiating Conservator of Forests, who will be requested to submit at an early date the names of two or three Officers whom he would recommend for Lieutenant Ouchterlony's appointment.

(Signed) P. P. HUTCHINS,
Acting Deputy Secretary to Government.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.
PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letters:—

From the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, Fort William, 20th August 1862, No. 696; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, Fort Saint George.

In transmitting the accompanying copy of a communication from the Officiating Adjutant General of the Army, No. 681, of the 2nd instant, conveying the recommendations of the Commander-in-Chief in India that all Officers employed in the Civil and Public Works Departments who have been appointed to the new Line Regiments, should be directed to join these Corps, I am desired to acquaint you, for the information of the Government of Fort Saint George, that the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council concurs in the view of Sir Hugh Rose, as expressed in that communication, and to request that effect may be given to His Excellency's wishes in respect to Officers of the new Line Regiments in the Madras Presidency, who are employed under the Government, who should be ordered to join their Corps at the public expense.

From the Officiating Adjutant General of the Army, Head Quarters, Simla, 2nd August 1862, No. 681; to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department.

With reference to Government General Order No. 705 of the 15th ultimo, placing at the disposal of the Commander-in-Chief certain Officers of the Cavalry and Infantry of Her Majesty's Indian Army for appointment to the new Line Regiments, I am directed to request you will be good enough to move the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council to the issue of a General Order, directing the Officers included in that List, who are employed in Civil and Public Works Departments, to join the Regiments to which they respectively stand posted.

2. The Commander-in-Chief considers that it is of the utmost importance to the efficiency of those Regiments that they should be fully and completely officered; and as all those Officers have elected for general service with the full knowledge that in doing so, they would have to join the Regiments to which they might be allotted, His Excellency does not conceive that any hardship would be inflicted by now ordering them to do so.

3. The spirit of the Amalgamation Order of the Staff Corps Warrant, and the Right Honorable the Secretary of State's Despatches, fully bear out Sir Hugh Rose's belief that it is not intended that Officers of the new Corps should be withdrawn from their Regiments for Civil employ.

4. In unpublished question and answer 52, it is laid down that an Officer of a new Line Regiment may, if the Commander-in-Chief can spare him, hold an appointment, such as those stated in the margin of paragraph 76 of Government General Order No. 332, 10th April 1861—those are, Adjutant General's Department, Quarter Master General's Department, Brigade Majors, Fort Adjutants, and Personal Staff. This, and the fact that the Staff Corps was avowedly established for the purpose of creating a body of Officers for employment in the various Civil and Military appointments hitherto held by Officers of the Indian Army, and to abolish the system of withdrawing Officers for such employment, while permanently remaining on the strength of their Regiments, which has been condemned by various high authorities, fully warrant the assumption that the Officers of the new Regiments are not intended to be thus employed.

5. His Excellency further ventures to remark, that appointment to the new Regiments has been eagerly coveted by a large number of Officers, many of whom have been disappointed in their hopes. It appears therefore to Sir Hugh Rose that those who have been fortunate enough to obtain a position in those Regiments, should not, in justice to those who have not been placed, many of whom are without Regiments and unemployed, be allowed to retain their appointments and thus stand in the way of those who have been less fortunate, in failing to obtain admission into the new Regiments.

6. On these grounds therefore, and more especially with reference to the interests of the Service, the Commander-in-Chief solicits the issue of an Order directing the Officers in question to join their new Regiments.

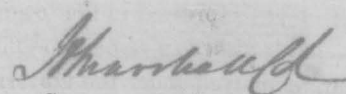
ORDER, No. 3001, 1st September 1862.

Communicated to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

2. Lieutenant Ouchterlony, Assistant Conservator of Forests in Salem, the only Officer of the new Line Regiments in this Presidency in Civil employ, will be directed in G. O. to join his Corps at the public expense, immediately on being relieved.

3. The Revenue Department will make arrangements for the early relief of that Officer.

(True Extract.)


Secretary to Government.

To the Adjutant General.

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