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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 8th March 1864.

No. 67. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Military Department :—

Granting authority for the distillation of Alcohol by the Commissariat Department being resumed and continued for a further period of six months. } (Here enter 3rd March 1864, No. 742.)

No. 68. ORDER THEREON, 8th March 1864, No. 397.

Communicated to the Board of Revenue, with reference to their Proceedings, dated 26th February 1864.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue, with Proceedings Military Department, No. 742.

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MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers :—

From Messrs. J. L. DeBeaux and Co., Esplanade Dispensary, Madras, 22nd February 1864 ; *to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.*

We beg respectfully to bring to your notice that the recent Order of Government prohibiting the sale of Alcohol by the Commissariat Department, has considerably inconvenienced us in the preparation of Medicines, as, not having heard of the intention of Government previously to the Order coming into operation, we did not make provision to have our wants supplied otherwise than as usual, through the Commissariat. On the 19th instant, we sent in an Indent to the Commissariat Department for ten Gallons of Alcohol, which Indent was returned to us, with an endorsement, that none was available for sale to private individuals; but as we have large orders for Medicine from the "Madras and the Southern Railways," which cannot be executed without a supply of Alcohol, and as, moreover, the article cannot be procured elsewhere, we would esteem it a particular favor if you would kindly obtain the permission of Government to our being supplied on this occasion by the Commissariat with fifteen Gallons of Alcohol as per enclosed Indent.

Referred to the Commissary General for prompt report, with reference to the Proceedings of Government, No 632, dated 23rd February 1864.

23*rd February* 1864.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department.

Read the following letter from the Commissary General, Madras, 24th February 1864, *No.* 26 ; *to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, Fort Saint George.*

I have the honor in returning a letter to your address, with its enclosures, from Messrs. D'Beaux and Co., to report that the stock of Alcohol is exhausted, and the Department is at this moment unable to complete a requisition from the Principal Commissary of Ordnance, for 300 bottles of that article, I consequently take this opportunity to request that authority may be given to continue distillation for a period of six months, in order that in the meantime arrangements may be made to procure Alcohol from other sources.

22nd February 1864.

2. If the authority now solicited is granted, private orders will, as heretofore, be met so long as they do not interfere with the requirements of the service.

Referred with letter No. 884, to the Revenue Department.

FORT SAINT GEORGE, *25th February* 1864.

(Signed) H. MARSHALL, Colonel,
Secretary to Government.

ORDER THEREON, 25th February 1864, No. 347.
Forwarded to the Board of Revenue for early report.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 26th February 1864.

Read Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, dated 25th February 1864, *No.* 347.

Under the circumstances stated by Colonel Hill, and as by Order of Government it has been recently notified to the public through the Collector of Madras that the stock of Alcohol on hand in the Commissariat is available to meet their immediate requirements—whereas it now appears that there is no stock on hand. The Board are of opinion that it is desirable to continue the distillation for a further period of six months as proposed by Colonel Hill, to prevent inconvenience to the public and to Government Departments.

The Collector of Madras will be instructed to notify to the Trade, that they can supply themselves from Calcutta or Bombay on payment of the Import Duty, as for European made Spirits of Wine.

(A True Extract.)

(Sigued) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary.

Transferred to the Military Department.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

27th February 1864.

ORDER, No. 742, *3rd March* 1864.

For the reasons stated in the first paragraph of the foregoing Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, the Governor in Council grants authority for the distillation of Alcohol by the Commissariat Department being resumed, and continued for a further period of six months.

2. The selling price of the Alcohol, supplied to the public, will be fixed at a rate sufficient to cover the *entire* cost of the same to Government.

3. This authority is not to be considered as sanctioning the construction of the extra Stills in the Alcohol Distillery, referred to in paragraph 2 of Order of Government, No. 3995, Military Department, 16th December 1863.

(True Extract.)

Secretary to Government.

To Messrs. J. L. DeBeaux & Co., with an enclosure.
To the Revenue Department. *Sent 20 spare copies*
" Public Department.
Secy. to the Board of Revenue.
" Public Works Department.
" Commissary General.
" Controller of Military Finance.
" Military Accountant.
" Examiner of Commissariat Accounts.
" Adjutant General.

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Dep.t dated 2d January
1864

Ordering authority
to call for explanation
of Medical Off.r Commanding
Det.t being recommended
for a further sentence
of seven years

No. 397

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Fort St. George
8th March 1864.

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