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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 12th March 1864.

No. 141. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Financial Department, dated 29th February 1864, No. 141 :—

Read again the following Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, dated 9th January 1864, No. 1, and recorded in the Proceedings of th el6th instant, No. 115.

The Bi-monthly Returns of Stores under provision in England for the undermentioned Departments, referred to in the 2nd paragraph of the above Despatch, having been received, ordered that they be distributed accordingly.

Medical.—Military Department.
Public, Telegraph, } Public Department.
Mint Master.
Public Works Department.
Revenue Department, Marine do. } with a copy of the Despatch.

(True Extract.)

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

No. 142. ORDER THEREON, 12th March 1864, No. 433.

1. Communicated, together with the Despatch referred to, to the Board of Revenue, Director of Revenue Settlement, Superintendent of Revenue Survey, Inám Commissioner and Conservator of Forests for information. The attention of these authorities will be drawn to the latter part of paragraph 8 of the Secretary of State's Despatch to the Government of India, No. 140, dated 8th August 1863, in view to their giving timely intimation, when necessary, to the effect therein stated.

2. An extract from the return received with the foregoing Proceedings comprising item No. 1 will be furnished to the Inám Commissioner and Superintendent of Stationery, with reference to the Proceedings of Government 19th June 1860, No. 1,013. Copy of the remaining portion of that document will be furnished to the Board of Revenue, for communication to the Officers concerned, with reference to the Orders of Government marginally* noted.

* 11th January 1864, No. 54.
23rd July 1863, ,, 1,370.
27th November ,, ,, 2,140.
18th ,, ,, ,, 2,072. †
9th December ,, ,, 2,239.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue,
,, Director of Revenue Settlement,
,, Superintendent of Revenue Survey,
,, Inám Commissioner,
,, Conservator of Forests,
,, Superintendent of Stationery,
} with Despatch.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following Despatch from the Right Honorable Sir C. WOOD, Bart., Secretary of State for India; to His Excellency the Honorable the Governor in Council, Fort Saint George, dated India Office, London, 9th January 1864, No. 1.

Herewith is forwarded, for your information, copy of a Financial Despatch to the Government of India, No. 140 of 8th August 1863, respecting the transmission of Returns of all Stores under provision in this country for which packing accounts have not been forwarded.

2. In conformity with that Despatch, Returns up to the 31st of October last will shortly be forwarded for each Department in your Presidency, addressed to the Chief Secretary to Government.

From the Right Honorable Sir C. WOOD, Bart., Secretary of State for India; to His Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor-General of India in Council, dated India Office, London, 8th August 1863, No. 140.

I have had under my consideration in Council your letter, No. 149, dated 22nd November 1862, enclosing a Report of the Audit Board, dated 15th August 1862, together with the copy of a Resolution of your Government thereon, recorded on the 22nd November, on the regulation of the supplies of stores from England, and recommending for my adoption the suggestions contained in paragraphs 14 to 17 of the above Report.

2. The Resolution of Government, dated the 25th April 1863, a copy of which was transmitted in your letter, No. 55, of 25th April 1863, rescinds that part of your Resolution of the 22nd November last, which refers to the checks upon and transmission of Indents to this country. I should have, otherwise, called your attention to the probable inconvenience and delay which would result from the proposal to forward all Indents through the Financial Department, Calcutta, and which, in two or three instances, had already been felt in this country.

3. The suggestions of the Audit Board, contained in the 14th to 17th paragraphs of their Report, refer, in the 14th and 15th paragraphs, to the transmission of certain periodical returns &c. from this country, and, in the 16th and 17th, to certain suggestions made by the Mint Master. This officer's remarks as to the invoices and tonnage accounts will receive attention, but confusion would arise by adopting the further proposal to place him in direct communication with the contractors for Mint stores in England. These persons should receive all instructions through the officers of the Secretary of State's Department, and as the stores supplied for the Mints in India are not more exceptional in their character than those supplied to other Government establishments, I see no reason for departing from the ordinary rule in the case of this Department. Indents should contain full information and detailed descriptions, with drawings or plans, if necessary, of the stores demanded, for the guidance of officers of the India Store Department in purchasing them.

4. The 14th and 15 paragraphs of the Report propose the transmission to India of various periodical returns connected with the receipt of Indents in England, the progress of purchasing, and of the shipment of stores, &c., &c.

5. The complaints of delay, and of lack of information, on which the necessity for these returns is stated to be grounded, appear to be founded on the experience of past years, and to refer to a period when the same attention was not paid to these points of detail as at the present time.

6. The adoption of the returns of invoices and stores despatched, proposed in the Audit Report, would involve very great clerical labor, and would not furnish any information which is not already transmitted in a more concise and valuable form. These returns would, in fact, be merely transcripts of the invoices and packing accounts, which are now regularly transmitted, in the case of every shipment of stores, and by which they would invariably be anticipated.

7. I am not, therefore, disposed to sanction these particular returns, but as it appears desirable that the heads of Departments in India should be more fully informed of the progress making towards compliance with their Indents and requisitions, I have sanctioned a return, according to the accompanying form, which is to be transmitted every two months to each Department, in each Presidency.

8. The return will include all stores under provision in this country, for which Indents have been received and sanctioned, but for which packing accounts have not been transmitted, and it will show, as nearly as can be calculated, the probable period of their despatch. It will thus obviate, to a great extent, complaints of the character which have latterly been made, and it will give heads of Departments the opportunity of hastening, or, if necessary, cancelling the supply of stores which may have been demanded in their Departments.

RETURN *of Stores under provision by the Director General of Stores for India.*

Presidency for which Packing accounts have not yet been transmitted; showing the Requisitions or Authorities. Department upon which they are being provided, and the arrangements made for their shipment from England.

Date of Indent or Requisition.	No.	When Indent was received in England.	Description of Articles.	Quantity.	Date of Contract.	Name of Supplier.	When reported ready for Shipment.	Probable date of Despatch from England.	Remarks, *i. e.*, causes of delay, names of Vessels engaged, when known, &c., &c.

ORDER THEREON, 16th February 1864, No. 115.

Ordered that a copy of the foregoing Despatch and its enclosure be furnished to the Public, Military, and Public Works Departments, and the Mint Master for information.

(True Extract.)

Signed H. Waterfield
Chief Secretary.

To the Public Department.
" Military do.
" Public Works do.
" Mint Master.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

Revenue Department

No. 4335

Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 12th March 1861

Read the following Proc.g
the Madras Govt. in the Fi-
nancial Department

Distributing to the accts.
concerned the Bi-monthly Returns
of Stores under provision in Exp.
Land received from the Secretary
of State for India.

(Here enter 29th July 61
No. 141)

Communicated,
together with the Despatch
referred to, to the Board of
Revenue, Director of Pub.
Instruction, Superintendent
of Revenue Survey, Inam
Commissioner and Conser-
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The attention of the Ex-
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3 of the Secretary of State's
Despatch to the Govt. of
India No 140 of 8 August 18[illegible]

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Rec.d 30th Aug.

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necessary, to the effect
therein stated.

An Extract from
the Return received with
the foregoing Proceedings
comprising Items to be furnished to the Swan
and Salt Co. of Salisbury
Communications with reference
to the Proceedings of Govt
19 June 1860 No 1013 - Copy
of the remaining portion
of that document will
be furnished to the Board
of Revenue for communication to the Officers
concerned, with reference
to the Return of Govt
marginally noted. -

11 January 1864	1	54
23 July 1863	—	1370
23 November	—	3140
18 —	—	2072
9 December	—	2229

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10	Casks of Real Sun	
4	Cases of Francks	
1	Cask of Salisbury	

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Returns of Stores under
provision in England,
received from the Ex-
Papal Government to
certain Departments.