

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 1060

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19-5-1865.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
19th May 1865.*

No. 350: Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Military Department, dated 30th March 1865.

Read the following letter from Colonel J. M. PRIMROSE, Adjutant General, to Colonel H. MARSHALL, Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Fort Saint George, 23rd March 1865, No. 213:—

SIR,

1. Adverting to the Proceedings of Government in the Revenue Department, dated 2nd August 1864, No. 1,369, communicated to the Commander-in-Chief by Military Department Order No. 2,706 of 5th idem, I have the honor, by order, to state for the information of His Excellency the Governor in Council, that the Commander-in-Chief in India has suggested to Sir Hope Grant whether it would

not be advisable to call for half-yearly Reports (as per form* enclosed) for the purpose of ascertaining and reporting on

* Requested to be returned.
all places at which liquor is obtained by the European Soldiers serving in this Command.

2. It is represented that the greatest benefit is derived, and the illicit sale of spirituous liquors to British Soldiers much checked in the Bengal Presidency by these Reports.

3. His Excellency directs me to request you will be good enough to ascertain whether there is any objection, on the part of Government, to the enquiries being made, as suggested in the accompanying form of Proceedings of Committee.

Referred to the Revenue Department.

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

No. 351: ORDER THEREON, 19th May 1865, No. 1,060.

Separate Revenue, No. 29.

Abkarry.

1. His Excellency the Governor in Council is of opinion that the appointment of the suggested Committees is in this Presidency unnecessary and open to objection, as likely to lead to discord and increased correspondence without any good results.

2. It is evident from the draft instructions that all the information contemplated can be readily obtained by reference to the Abkarry and Cantonment Acts, and to the Rules established by Government in conformity with them, or by application to the local Revenue and Commissariat Officers, and the Government consider that far more good is likely to be effected by such enquiries and by strict enforcement of the provisions of the law applicable to the case, than by the investigations of Committees to collect information which is already available, or to suggest remedies which they would be powerless to apply.

3. The Abkarry systems of Bengal and Madras differ considerably, and what is there found useful or necessary, may here be inexpedient, as the Government consider to be the case in the present instance.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Military Department.
„ the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Proceedings of the Half-Yearly Committee
 assembled at _____ on the _____ of _____ 186
 for the purpose of ascertaining and reporting on all
 places at which Liquor is obtained by the European
 Soldiers:

President.

Lieutenant Colonel A. P. D. Commanding R. M. Foot.
 Members.

Major C. D. Commanding - Brig. R. A.
 Surgeon C. F., Senior Surgeon.

Attending the Committee.

Captain G. H., Supdt. Cantonment Abtween

Station and Date.

Questions.

Answers.

1. What are the Regulations and restrictions in force in the Cantonment of _____ as regards the sale of _____ Liquor to European Soldiers and their followers?
2. Have the Committee reason to believe that _____ the sale of Liquor takes place within Cantonment _____ contrary to the regulations and rules referred to in the preceding question?

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Per 2. Aug 5/64 1865-22-23

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Pro. of the Military
 Dept. in the Military
 Department.

25073 March, 1865.

Per 30 of 1865-19 Aug

Per 1

Referring to the
 letter from the Adjutant
 Genl. of the Army regarding
 the uniformed soldiers
 there being objection on
 the part of the British
 officials being made at
 seeing the places at
 which liquor is obtained
 by European soldiers.

Per 101

3. Record the names and description of the persons by whom the Committee have reason to believe ~~that~~ Liquor is clandestinely sold to the Soldiers either within or without the Cantonment; and in the former case, the distance of the Liquor shops from the Barracks.

4. Record the names and description of the persons by whom the sale of Liquor is sanctioned within the Cantonment of, and by whom the sale is authorized.

5. State the measures adopted by the local station Authorities to prevent the illicit sale of Liquor within Cantonments.

6. State the measures adopted by the Military in communication with the Civil Authorities to prevent liquor being smuggled into Cantonments by the licensed vendors of Liquor residing beyond Cantonment limits.

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7. What cases have occurred of persons being detected in the illicit sale of spirits within the last 6 months?

8. What measures were taken to bring the offender in each case to justice?

9. State any thing further the Committee may desire to report.

N.B. - In order to obtain the necessary information, Committees will ask any questions that may be necessary of the Commanding Officer of European Corps at the Station, and that Officer will give all information in his power.

G. F. Capt^o, Supt. Cant. M. Karry,
Attending the Committee.

N.B. Lieut Col., Comdg. F. M. - Fob,
President.

C. D. Major, Comdg. - Brigade R. A. }
C. F. Surgeon, Section Surgeon, ... } Members.

[Signature]

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It will not be possible to work
his proposed system of Committee
without creating endless disputes between
Military & civil officers, & the correspondence.
The Abkany in Bengal & the N. West must be differently treated
~~and~~ strongly carried into operation,
if a half-yearly Committee of officers be
employed to select the items of information
which the "Questions" suggested would
bring before the Committee.

Hence, it will be simply necessary for the
Govt to direct the Board of Revenue or the
local Collector, to prepare a statement
of the rules affecting the Abkany in his charge,
for the Military authorities of a Cantonment
to know at once as much as the best collector
could state to the most inquiring Committee that
ever sat. Indeed, that statement, more
than any other, would give a good deal of
information, which would be extracted from a collector or his
sub who might happen to be cited before
a Committee to be questioned on the subjects of
Question No 1. In answer.

As regards
the answer to No 2, there can be no doubt
about it. Of course, it will be "yes" - for who
has ever heard of a Cantonment in which soldiers
did not drink and play shopmen sell,
contrary to rules & regulations?

What benefit will arise from No 3? A person
could not be a member of the Committee
without being a member of the Cantonment.
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Of course

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Three things
human
comprehension
of punishment
man
Coulter sitting twice a year w. receive twice
as much money as 12 months what a f.o would barely provide
any day of the week - and having got it, he
w. be bound! I apprehend, immediately to provide
for officers.

Surely this What is sought for by Section 4 could be
had without the trouble of a court.
On being asked for by the collector would
be prepared to at once to the C.O.
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Our code of laws is ample and
requires nothing more than enforcement.
If C. Officer be strictly enjoined at once
to execute, a great deal in an easy
manner, will be done, and, I should
hope, with much repressive effects - at
the best, as the law is would be in-
conceivable bodies, competent, as the law
stands, to do nothing more than Report, -
and as their reports come, as soon the
matter, be only media for advice that
C.O. should do what they can now
do, ought to do, without these Reports
any belief that the former plan w.
be productive of no advantage, I should
most certainly, I would create a deal
of ill feeling
13.4.65

For the paper in the Mr Phillips - Our Abkhaz &
Canton must be & rules properly worked by the CO
Police & Canton must be kept in an
sufficient to express itself in a
Canton must - so far as it is possible to express
it - Then Committee would do nothing toward
that will be would probably be in implication
feeling between civil & military. & give birth

to many crude suggestions on the part
of the Committee & charges & recommendations
between authorities military & civil.

I observe that this experience has been made
to us in consequence of a suggestion
made to the H E R C C L by the H E the C of
India - With all deference I do not think
that this is the regular course of proce-
-dure - It seems to me that any suggestion
that H E R C C L of India may have to
make in respect either of the military
Abkhaz or any thing else military should
be made to the Supreme Govt. who if
they thought fit would address us on the
subject in the military Dept. I note this
as I do not remember any suggestion
on military matters having been at
any time made to us, I am in the
way that I am mentioned.
J.P.

No. 1060

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 19th May 1865

Read the following
Proceedings of the Madras
Govt in the military Dept.

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from the Adjutant Genl of the
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(Here enters 30th March
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application to the local
Revenue and Commission-
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To the Secretary, Dept. of Revenue
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of 19th May 1865.

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Considering unnecessary
the appointment of Commis-
sioners on the subject of places
at which Liquor is obtained
by Soldiers. -