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No. 8. Read the following Proceedings of the Government of India in the Financial Department, dated Fort William, 19th June 1874, No. 3853 (Accounts):—

Read again—

Financial Resolution, No. 3461, dated 5th December 1873, transferring the duty of ordinary treasury inspection from the Accountants-General to the Commissioners or other superintending officers directly under the local Governments and Administrations; and directing at the same time "that the observations of these officers on all matters connected with the accounts and treasury branches of revenue treasuries shall be communicated to the Accountant-General of the Province, together with any orders which on the occasion of such inspections they may give to the officers in charge of the treasuries," and that the Accountants-General shall forward these reports with their remarks to the Comptroller-General.

Read—

A letter from the Government of the North-Western Provinces, No. 23, dated 6th January 1874, stating that, as the Commissioners neither possess any special knowledge of the details of treasury accounts, nor have leisure to acquire it, their inspection of district treasuries can be of little service in obviating risks and abuses, or securing a full and uniform observance of the rules and system of account.

Read also—

A letter, No. 172, dated 16th April 1874, addressed by the Comptroller-General to all Accountants-General, circulating a list of questions to treasury officers with a view to obtain from them, for the Account Department, information on the chief points connected with the inspection of district treasuries.

Resolution.—The Governor-General in Council observes that a Commissioner, when inspecting a district treasury, cannot be expected to go into all the details indicated by the list of questions proposed by the Comptroller-General, and that the circular in question should therefore be cancelled. If it is, however, considered necessary for the Account Department to get information on all the points referred to in the list, it would be better to send the list of questions once a-year to Collectors, and for them to return it with their replies to the Accountant-General.

2. In the opinion of His Excellency in Council, a Commissioner's inspection of a district treasury should be of a more general character. All that he can be expected to see is that the boxes in which the money is kept are in good order; that the guard is properly posted; that the Treasurer is not allowed to keep too much money in his hands; that the spare stores of bill forms are kept under proper custody; that the Money Order Accounts, Deposit Registers, and Pension Registers are all up to date; that the Standing Orders of the department are observed; that the circulars from the Accountants-General are understood and filed to date; and generally that the office registers and records are in good order.

Ordered that this Resolution be distributed for information and guidance as follows:—

To the several local Governments and Administrations,
To the Comptroller-General, and

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
2nd July 1874.

To the several Accountants-General and Deputy Accountants-General in independent charge.

(Signed) E. F. HARRISON,
Offg Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 9. ORDER THEREON, 2nd July 1874, No. 1099.

Copy furnished to the Revenue Department, also to the Board of Revenue.

(True Extract.)

Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department.
" Board of Revenue.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

No. 2321.

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To

THE REVENUE DEPARTMENT,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated July, 2nd.

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G.O., 2nd July 1874, No. 1099.

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District Treasuries.—Resolution of the Government of India on the subject of the inspection of district treasuries, communicated to the Revenue Department and to the Board of Revenue.

No. 134. Recorded.