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MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

16th January 1878, No. 246.

Drill and Instruction—Artillery.

Read the following papers:—

No. 205. *From Brigadier-General H. O'CONNELL, Quartermaster-General, to Colonel J. MICHAEL, C.S.L., Secretary to Government, Military Department; dated Fort St. George, 4th January 1878, No. 40.*

The Collector at Trichinopoly has informed the Officer Commanding Royal Artillery there, that the crops on the artillery range will not be cut till the end of February, and that in consequence practice cannot take place till March.

2. As it will be too hot to have Europeans out so late in the season, and His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief hesitates to recommend any thing that may cause destruction of crops this year, I have the honor, by order, to request the sanction of Government for bringing the gunners to the Mount for practice, as was done last season (Proceedings of the Madras Government, No. 6614, dated 19th December 1876).

3. An early reply is requested, as the men should be brought up at once.

4. In ordinary seasons, some destruction of crops and payment of compensation was contemplated: see paragraph 2 of this office letter published in Proceedings of the Madras Government, 4th January 1876, No. 5. The Officer Commanding Southern District will be requested to ascertain, if possible, what the ordinary sum for compensation would be, and if it is higher than the cost of moving the gunners from Trichinopoly and back, it would perhaps be better to order as a permanent arrangement that the Trichinopoly battery annually send its gunners by rail to the Mount for practice.

5. Government will be addressed again on this subject when a reply is received from the Southern District.

No. 206. *With report from the Controller of Mil. Accounts, 5th January 1878, A.*

No. 207. ORDER THEREON, 16th January 1878, No. 246.

The arrangement proposed in paragraph 2 of the Quartermaster-General's letter is sanctioned for this year; but His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief is requested to ascertain, in communication with the local Revenue authorities, whether there is no place of sufficient area for artillery practice, without injury to crops, to be found in the Trichinopoly District, to which the battery might go annually at less cost than to and from St. Thomas' Mount.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. MICHAEL, Colonel,
Secretary to Government.

To the Quartermaster-General.
„ Controller of Military Accounts.

Exd. A. Raith.

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Sanctioning the proposed arrangement to
ring up the gunners of the Battery of Artillery
at Trincomopoly for practice at St. Thomas
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