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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
18th February 1867.

No. 228. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Military Department :—

Passing orders on papers relating to the intended retirement of Deputy Inspector General Prichard, of the Medical Department, and the consequent necessity of considering the arrangements for the administration of the department when the contemplated reductions are effected. } (Here enter 5th February 1867, No. 460 A.)

No. 229. ORDER THEREON, 18th February 1867, No. 400.

Miscellaneous.

Communicated to the Board of Revenue,

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,

Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue, with Proceedings Military Department, No. 460 A.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers :—

Memorandum from the Adjutant General ... . Here enter 16th January 1867, No. 42.
Report from the Controller of Mily. Accts..... ... „ 29th „ „ C.

Memorandum from the Adjutant General, Fort Saint George, 16th January 1867, No. 42; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

Submitted to Government, with the Commander-in-Chief's concurrence.

From the Principal Inspector General Medical Department, Fort Saint George, 10th January 1867, No. 8; to the Adjutant General.

Referring to G. O. G.* as per margin, I have the honor to state that, as Deputy Inspector General Prichard has accepted an annuity from the Medical Fund, the regulations of which require that he must retire from the service on or before the 28th of February next, it becomes necessary to consider the arrangements for the administration of the Department when the contemplated reductions are effected.

* *No.* 421, 13*th November* 1866.

2. In my predecessor's letter,* No. 25 of 27th January 1865, it was recommended that the six circles of superintendence should be as follows :—

* *Printed with the Pro. of Govt., Mily. Dept., No.* 1498 *of* 24*th April* 1865.

1. Southern Division.
2. Northern „
3. Mysore and Ceded Districts.
4. Hyderabad and Nagpore.
5. Pegu and Straits.
6. Presidency and Centre.

3. Upon due consideration, I think that the inclusion of Hyderabad and Nagpore in one Division is objectionable, and that it is impossible for one individual to carry out the administrative duties of both. The Deputy Inspectors of these Divisions have not only to inspect the hospitals of the regular Indian Forces, but also those of the Hyderabad Contingent and of Central India, added to these, are numerous civil institutions, more especially in Central India. I would propose, therefore, that these circles remain distinct as now, and that the Northern Division be added to the circle of the Centre Division. It will be seen, on reference to the map, that the Northern Division is a narrow strip of territory adjoining the sea board, and, with regular steam communication to and from Madras, is readily approachable from the Presidency.

4. In order to lighten the heavy duty thus thrown on the Deputy Inspector General of the Presidency Circle as much as possible, I propose to relieve him of the office of President of the Standing Medical Committee, which meets weekly for the examination of Officers for sick leave and pension, and to conduct the same in my own office.

5. The circles now proposed will stand as follows :—

1. Southern Division, with the addition of Malabar and Wynaad.
2. Mysore and Ceded Districts.
3. Hyderabad.
4. Nagpore.
5. Pegu.
6. Presidency and Northern Divisions.

6. I would suggest, for the consideration of Government, that, under these arrangements, t would be highly desirable to obtain sanction for the appointment of two Staff Surgeons Major or the immediate superintendence of administrative duties in the Northern Division and in the Ceded Districts.

7. There are so many matters of detail in the provision of Medical Subordinates for emergent duties, in examining Government servants for leave and pension, &c., that it is highly advisable that these duties should be entrusted to some one on the spot.

8. The Government of India, in G. O. G. G., published with the Order quoted in paragraph , has recognized the need of such appointments at stations occupied by British Troops, and has

sanctioned a special consolidated salary of Rupees 1,400 for the duties. I may remark that Officers of this class are not less needed in the Indian Department than in the British, and I would strongly urge the advisableness of thus providing for the administrative duties in the Districts in which Deputy Inspectors General are not able to reside permanently.

9. Should His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief and Government be pleased to approve of the suggestions in regard to the re-distribution of the circles, I will do myself the honor of submitting, in due course, the name of the Officer to be posted to the Pegu Division.

With report from the Controller of Military Accounts, 29th January 1867, *C.*

ORDER, No. 460A, 5th February 1867.

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council sanctions the Inspectoral Circles of the Indian Medical Establishment of this Presidency being formed as recommended by the Principal Inspector General, and directs that they be notified in G.O.

2. With reference to the proposed appointment of two Staff Surgeons Major for the immediate superintendence of the Northern and Ceded Districts, the Government observe that the new distribution of this Presidency and its Military dependencies into six Administrative Circles in lieu of eight had been recommended as an arrangement which afforded sufficient provision for the execution of all the duties belonging to the Medical Department. Under these circumstances, His Lordship in Council resolves to defer the consideration of the suggested augmentation of the Administrative Staff until the working of the new organization, with six Deputy Inspectors General, has been tested by experience.

3. The Government doubt the expediency of the arrangement contemplated by Mr. Shaw in paragraph 4 of his letter, if it is his intention to assume the office of President of the Standing Medical Committee. In the absence of the Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals, Presidency, the next senior Officer present should, His Excellency in Council considers, act as President of the Committee.

(True Extract.)

Marshall — *Major General,*

Secretary to Government.

To the Adjutant General.
" Principal Inspector General Medical Department.
" Controller of Military Accounts.
" Public Department, } for information.
" Revenue Department, } with 5 spare copies.

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