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PART I.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATIONS TO THE PUBLIC.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

The following correspondence regarding rules for the conduct of Postal duties in connection with Field Forces, is published:—

"No. 282.

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA .- FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Separate Revenue .- Post Office.

To THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY.

Fort William, the 22nd January 1868.

SIR,

I am desired to forward copies of the papers noted in the margin, regarding rules for the conduct of Postal duties in connection with Field Forces, and to Progs. Home Dept. (Post Office) Nov. 1864, Nos. 14 and 15.

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them as may not interfere with any arrangements which may have been ordered by the Government of Bombay in connection with the Abyssinian Expedition.

2. A copy of the rules so published should be sent to this Department.

I have the honour to be, &c.

(Signed) E. H. Lushington,

Secretary to the Government of India."

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Enclosure to Letter No. 282 of 1868.

No. 1736, dated 20th October 1864.

From A. M. Monteath, Esq., in charge of the Office of Director General of the Post Office of India-To the Officiating Under-Secretary to the Government of India.

In returning the original document received with your endorsement, No. 2863, dated the 23rd ultimo, I have the honour to offer the following remarks on the subject of the organization of Postal arrangements in connection with Military Forces engaged on Field Service.

- 2. The request made by the Military Department may be enumerated as follows:-
- I.—That specific and clear rules be laid down for the conduct of Postal duties in connection with Field Forces.
- II.—That specific rules be laid down, showing what Postal Establishment should be allowed for Forces of certain specified strengths, in view to obviating the necessity of the Military Authorities making a preliminary reference in each case.
- 3. The Military Department thinks that a portion of the expenses entailed might fairly be debited to the "Military Department," suggesting that, in cases of Forces numbering not more than 1,000 men of all arms, the Postal duties might be entrusted to a Serjeant under the orders of the Staff Officer, and that for larger Forces, a Commissioned Officer on a small salary should have charge, in the event of no regular Post Master being available.
- 4. There are two distinct modes in which I think it will be advisable to provide for the Postal requirements of Field Forces, and these modes I shall describe separately.
- 5. The first mode may be adopted in respect of small Forces consisting of (say) not more than 2,500 men of all arms. For such Forces, it would be sufficient for the Military Authorities to organize an Agency for the conveyance, to the nearest regular Post Office, of all covers posted in the Camp, as well as for the conveyance from that Office to the Camp, of all covers received to its address. In this case the covers posted in Camp might be made up in a sealed packet or bag, and sent to the nearest regular Post Office, with a Memorandum of contents of the form given in enclosure A; the receipt being acknowledged by the next despatch from the Post Office, and the duties connected with the stamping, making, sorting and despatching of the covers to their destination being all performed by the Post Office, just as if the covers in question had been posted there originally.
- 6. Similarly the covers received at the regular Post Office in question, to the address of the Camp, would be made up in a single packet, addressed to the anthorized Camp Officer, and made over to the establishment employed by him for their conveyance to the Camp. With each such despatch a Memorandum,* as per form
- *A copy being kept in the Post Office. given in enclosure B, would be sent, showing the number of covers of all classes sent, and the postage realizable on them as well as an abstract account indicating the balance at the debit of the Camp Postal Officer. The Camp Postal Officer would have to compare this Memorandum with the contents, and acknowledge its receipt by the next despatch from the Camp.
- 7. It will be observed that the form of Memorandum to be sent by the Camp Officer with each despatch is very simple, and that the Memorandum sent to him with each despatch from the Post Office contains not only a classification of all the covers and the postage realizable, but gives full information respecting the state of the account between him and the Post Office. The chief portion of the work, both in respect of the Mails sent to, and those received from the Camp, will thus be done at the nearest Post Office; the establishment of which can, if necessary, be strengthened for the purpose by the Postal Department.

- 8. It is probable that a Serjeant, under the orders of the Staff Officer of the Force, would be quite able to manage the Camp Postal duties, and to make all necessary arrangements both for the road service, and for the delivery of letters in Camp.
- 9. Where arrangements of the above kind might be made, the Military Authorities would be responsible for the Camp Postal duties, and for the organization and maintenance of the requisite establishment.
- 10. The second mode of providing for the Postal requirements of Field Forces might be adopted in respect of larger Forces, consisting (say) of not less than 2,500 men of all arms. In such cases it would be advisable for the Post Office Department to organize a regular Camp Post Office; and, if certain general rules respecting the strength, pay, and working of such Officers are laid down, there would be no objection to allow of the provisional organization of such Offices, by the Inspecting Post Master of a Division, in direct communication with the Military Authorities.
- 11. Wherever a regular Camp Post Office is established, I am clearly of opinion that it should be managed by a trained Officer of the Postal Department. The experience gained from the working of Camp Post Offices with the Forces which operated in the field in 1857-58 and 1858-59, goes strongly to show that Staff or Regimental Officers, with no previous acquaintance with Post Office work, and with other duties to perform, cannot carry on efficiently the work of a regular Post Office. The failure to keep up proper registers, the loss of chulans, and other irregularities not only indicated the inefficiency of these Officers, but precluded, in many cases, the adjustment of accounts, and resulted in prolonged and very unsatisfactory correspondence.
- 12. I am fully aware of the importance of having some Officer of the Army charged in a general way with looking after the Camp Postal arrangements, so as to bring to their support a due amount of official influence, and a knowledge of the internal organization and requirements of a Military Camp. This object can, I think, be sufficiently attained by the appointment, on the part of the Military Authorities, of an Officer of the Army to be ex-officio Post Master, under whose general control the Post Office Establishment would be placed. It would probably be considered unnecessary to give any special remuneration to the Officer so appointed, as the detailed departmental business of the Camp Post Office, and the departmental responsibility arising therefrom would rest primarily with the Deputy Post Master appointed by the Postal Department. The question of remuneration to the ex-officio Military Post Master is, however, a matter that might be left for the consideration of the Military Department, it being understood that any remuneration given would be a Military charge. It should also be understood that arrangements must be made by the Military Authorities for supplying the requisite Camp equipage for the Post Office Establishment; the charge for such equipage, and for the carriage of the same when the Force may be in motion, being borne by the Military Department.
- 13. The Postal Establishment to be organized, and paid for by the Postal Department, would be divided into Office and Road Establishments; the former (Office Establishment) being regulated by the size of the Field Force, and treated as a fixed temporary establishment, and the latter (Road Establishment) being organized according to varying requirements, and treated as a contingent charge. It is, of course, unnecessary and impossible to prescribe any scale for the Road Establishment, as that must depend entirely on the distance of the Camp Post Office from the nearest Post Office or Post line, and would be subject to vary with the movements of the Force. For Office Establishment, I think the following scale might be adopted as a standard, subject, of course, to alteration in particular cases when it might be shown to require it.

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As already stated, the above scale of establishment would be subject to modification in any particular case, according to proved requirements. For instance, the number of Peons would depend both on the area of delivery, and on the number of covers to be delivered, and both these points could be made the subject of specific report, if they were such as to render necessary a modification of the standard scale.

14. I have already observed that the Inspecting Post Master of the Division, in or near which a Field Force was destined to operate, might unobjectionably be allowed to make, if necessary, provisional arrangements according to the above scale, on receiving a requisition from the Military Authorities. He could always do this, if necessary, on short notice, by provisionally detaching an intelligent Post Master from some other Office in his Division, and making temporary arrangements for the conduct of the duties of that Office by assuming charge of it himself, or by entrusting it to the Head Clerk for a time

15. If the above suggestions be approved, I shall be ready to issue the necessary instructions on the subject to the Officers of Postal Department,

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CAMP MEMORANDUM.

No.

Dated

From the Officer in charge of the Postal arrangements of

To the Post Master of

Contents of Mail sent herewith.

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[·] Addresses of the registered letters of which the receipts are enclosed, viz :-

The following Mails have been received from Post Office, since the despatch of the last Camp Memorandum, viz:—

Post Office Memorandum, No-

, dated

with the covers therein entered.

(Signed) A. B.,

In charge of the Postal Arrangements of the Field Force,

B. .

Post Office Memorandum.

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From the Post Master of
To the Officer in charge of the Postal arrangments of the

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t The addresses of the registered letters entered above are as follows :-

No. 369, dated 19th September 1864.

Office Memorandum .- By the Secretary to the Government of India, MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

The question of the allowances to be paid to Officers and Non-Commissioned Officers who may be entrusted with the Postal duties of a force in the field, and the duties which will have to be performed by such Officers, baving come lately under the consideration of Government in the Military Department, the undersigned has the honour to request that the question may be considered in the Home Department, in view to specific and clear Rules being laid down in that Department for the conduct of these duties.

- 2. It may, however, be considered whether, regard being had to the suddenness with which field operations are usually undertaken in this country, it will always be possible for the Home Department to equip a Post Office Establishment in time to take the field with the troops, or even to decide what establishment shall be allowed; moreover such forces are always liable to be subdivided. It would seem necessary, therefore, that specific rules be laid down, showing what Postal Establishment should be allowed for forces of certain specified strengths, in view to obviating the necessity of making a reference in each case,—a certain proportion of the expenses entailed might, it is believed, be fairly debited to the Military Department.
- 3. It is suggested that, in ordinary cases of troops being assembled for field service, a Serjeant might have charge of the Postal duties under the orders of the Staff Officers of the force. This would probably answer for a force of not more than 1,000 men of all Arms, with its proportion of European troops; but if the force was much over a thousand men, it would be desirable for a Commissioned Officer (if no regular Post Master was available) to have charge on a small salary with an allowance for a Clerk, peons, &c.

No. 2863, dated 23rd September 1864.

Endorsed by the Home DEPARTMENT.

Forwarded to the Officer in charge of the Office of Director General of the Post Office of India for early report, and return requested.

No. 338, dated 10th December 1864.

EXTRACT from the Proceedings of His Excellency the Governor General of India in Council, in the Military Department.

Read communication No. 5410, dated 15th ultimo, from the Home Department, forwarding for consideration in the Military Department, the proposals of the Officer in charge of the Office of Director General of the Post Office of India, relative to the organization of Postal arrangements in connection with Military Forces employed in Field Service.

OBSERVATIONS.—The arrangements proposed appear generally judicious; but the employment of a Serjeant in charge of the Camp Post Office with a Force of a strength exceeding 1,200 men is considered very inexpedient. When the strength of the Force exceeds that number, the appointment of a trained Officer of the Postal Department, as proposed in Paras. 10—15, appears to the Military Department to be far preferable; the salary and establishment being reduced as the Home Department may think fit when the Force numbers less than 2,500 men.

- 2. It appears also to the Military Department that the arrangements for conveying the packets to and from the Camp should, in all cases, be made by the Postal Department, and the cost be a charge to that Department; it being understood that the Military Commandant should be required to aid by furnishing Sowars, when Escorts or mounted Expresses are deemed necessary, provided men can be spared for the duty.
- 3. The Military Authorities would supply the requisite Camp Equipage for the Post Office Establishments, and bear the charge for its carriage also.
- 4. For a Force of less than 600 men, the Commanding Officer must make his own arrangements, his Regiment or Detachment Staff distributing the letters, &c., without any extra remuneration: but when it equals or exceeds that number, the Serjeant in charge of the Camp Post Office should receive monthly Rupees (30) thirty, Staff salary, with Rupees (7) seven for a peon, and Rupees (8) eight for paper, twine, and other contingencies.
 - 5. In this case the Serjeant's salary and the other charges would be paid by the Military Department.

ORDERED, that a copy of the above be forwarded to the Home Department for information, with the request that the decision of Government on the question may be communicated to the Military Department.

No. 6809, dated 22nd December 1864.

From A. P. Howell, Esq., Officiating Under-Secretary to the Government of India, To The Director General of the Post Office of India.

With reference to your predecessor's communication, No. 1736, dated the 20th October, on the subject organizing Postal arrangements in connection with Military Forces employed in Field Service, I am rected to forward to you the accompanying copy of an Extract from the Military Department, No. 338, dated the 10th instant, and to state that the proposals made therein are approved generally, subject to any modification that on trial may be found desirable.

No. 6810.

Endorsed by the Home DEPARTMENT.

Copy forwarded to the Military Department for information, with reference to the Extract quoted.

(True copies)

R. W. WILLOUGHBY,
Assistant Secretary to the Government of India."

By order,

E. W. RAVENSCROFT,
Acting Chief Secretary to Government.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

The following Statement is published for general information:-

"No. 258 of 1868.

Statement of Cotton shipped from the Ports in Sind, in the Presidency of Bombay, to Foreign External Ports, during the Month of February 1868.

Quantity.	 Value.	By what Ships.	To what Port.	
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N.B.-80 lbs. equal to 1 Maund; 8 Maunds equal to 1 Candy.

W. T. Cole, Collector of Customs.

Kurrachee, Custom House, 2nd March 1868."

By order,
E. W. RAVENSCROFT,
Acting Chief Secretary to Government.

Bombay Castle, 13th March 1868.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

The following Notification by the Government of India is republished for general information:

"FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTIFICATION.

Fort William, the 4th March 1868.

No. 1328.

Under the provisions of Section 4 of Act X. of 1862, the Governor General in Council is pleased to permit the use of Adhesive Stamps of the requisite value on the Proxy Papers described in the additional Clause to Article 43, Schedule A, Act X. of 1862, enacted by Section 5, Act XXVI. of 1867."

By order,
E. W. RAVENSCROFT,
Acting Chief Secretary to Government.

Bombay Castle, 19th March 1868.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

The Right Honourable the Governor in Council is pleased to declare the Ferry at Nawassa, on the Purwarra River, in the Ahmednuggur Collectorate, a public one, under the provision of Section I. of Act XXXV. of 1850.

By order of the Right Honourable the Governor in Council.

M. K. KENNEDY, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Under the provisions of Section XVI., Clause 2 of Regulation II., of 1827, it is hereby notified for general information, that the following alterations in the territorial distribution of the Zillahs of Ahmednuggur and Khandeish are to come into force from the 1st April 1868:-

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By order of the Right Honourable the Governor in Council,

C. GONNE, Secretary to Government.

Bombay Castle, 12th March 1868.

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NOTIFICATION BY THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

Whereas by a Rule of the High Court on the Crown Side, dated 26th day of May 1866, the Second Sessions of Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery for the year are appointed to commence on the 10th day of April in each year, and whereas the 10th day of April in the present year is Good Friday, and it is not expedient that the said Sessions should commence before Tuesday the 14th day of April next; It is therefore hereby ordered that the Second Sessions of Oyer and Terminer, and Gaol Delivery for the present year do commence on Tuesday the 14th day of April now next ensuing.

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GENERAL ORDERS

BY THE RIGHT HONOURABLE THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Bombay Castle, 6th March 1868.

No. 160 of 1868.*—The following appointment is made, subject to the approval of the Secretary of State for India:—

Colonel J. S. Gell, Deputy Quartermaster General, to be Quartermaster General of the Army, from the 20th February last, vice Colonel Phayre, whose tenure of office ceased on that date.

* To be substituted for the G. O. of the same No. and date already published.

Bombay Castle, 12th March 1868.

No. 182 of 1868.—The following rules for precautions against Fire, proposed by the Commander of the Forces, are sanctioned:—

Commanding Officers of stations are held responsible that due attention is paid to the orders on the subject of precautions against fire.

No fires, except in regularly constructed fire-places, are to be permitted either during the day or night in any Quarters. The prohibition must be strictly attended to in Quarters occupied by married soldiers. When paus of charcoal are used in buildings, during damp weather, under proper authority, they must be protected by light bamboo frames.

All lights, whether candles or lamps, used in Government Quarters of any kind, whether occupied by Commissioned or Warrant Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers on the Staff, or attached to Regiments, or Batteries, or by soldiers, must be protected by lanterns (which for public purposes will be supplied by the Barrack Master); and no fire is to be carried about on windy days unless properly covered.

The discharge of fire-arms, or fire-works, of any kind in the Lines near thatched-roof barracks, or other thatched buildings, the property of the State, is prohibited, except on the regular parades.

The launch of fire-balloons in and about Military Cantonments, is strictly prohibited. Officers commanding stations should take every precaution for the prevention of such a practice, which so greatly endangers property in a country where buildings of inflammable material are so numerous.

No stacks of dry grass or straw, no thatched huts or tents, no mat or Jhamp enclosures, no cooking-places or choolahs, are to be allowed within 100 yards of any Barrack, stable, or other large public building having a thatched roof.

Tents placed near barracks for the temporary accommodation of Troops, or for any other purpose, are to be pitched in the direction of the prevailing wind, but as much as possible to leeward of the buildings-

No hookah smoking is to be allowed in Cavalry stables during certain hours of the night, to be fixed by the Local Military authorities.

Earthen pots for holding water, for use in case of fire, should be supplied to all public buildings having that ched roofs. The number will be determined by the Barrack Master in communication with the Local authorities.

The water-pots for the Regimental buildings of European Corps must be supplied by the Commissariat Department through the Barrack Master, but will be kept full by the Establishment under the orders of the Quarter Master. Those for Native Corps will be supplied at the rate of 100 per Troop or Company, by Quarter Master, and kept full by their Establishments. Commanding Officers are held strictly responsible that the pots are kept filled, and the regulated number always maintained.

For other public buildings, the water-pots will be supplied, in the first instance, by the Barrack Master, and will be kept complete and filled with water by the Officer occupying the building.

When Regimental lines and public buildings are vacated, the Barrack Master will take charge of the waterpots, keep the number complete, and employ under a station order, the necessary Establishment for keeping them
full. He will grant receipts for the number of water-pots made over to him, and will demand receipts, in return,
when he delivers charge of the lines, or buildings, to new occupants.

Where tanks have been constructed, and buckets have superseded water-pots, the buckets are to be suspended on the ropes with hooks in the Barrack verandahs nearest the water tanks.

The Barrack Master is responsible that proper provision is made for securing, at all times, an ample supply of water for the Engines, in tanks capable of being filled from wells or otherwise.

The roof and walls of Cook-houses are to be kept free from soot by the Regimental authorities, and Barrack Masters are to state, in their monthly reports, that they have visited them and found them clean or otherwise.

Barrack Masters in charge of Barracks provided with Ventilators, will cause them to be inspected weekly, and will prevent the accumulation of any inflammable materials therein. Chimneys will be in like manner inspected at the beginning of the cold season, and swept regularly during the season, under the Superintendence of the Barrack Department. When fires are used in public buildings, all chimneys shall be swept monthly and the fact certified.

In the event of a chimney catching fire, the fuel should be removed from the grate and extinguished as rapidly as possible; at the same time padding, such as "ressais" or other bedding, should be at once applied to the bottom of the flue to check the draught of it; some means should also be tried to close up the top of the flue.

All unmustered followers who may be residing in the lines of Corps, must be required to observe strictly the rules respecting precautionary measures against fires, as a condition of their being permitted to reside there.

The practice of burning fires at night in barracks at hill stations, is strictly prohibited; all fires must be extinguished after tattoo beating. In hospitals, fires may be burnt at night, at the discretion of Medical Officers. All fires in any buildings, cook-room, &c., connected with barrack ranges, are to be extinguished exactly at the prescribed hour; and all inflammable materials carefully removed from the vicinity of the fire-places.

When buildings requiring protection are left vacant, the Barrack Master will apply to the Officer Commanding the station to authorize, by station order, the entertainment of the requisite number of chowkeedars, who should be duly warned of their responsibility as regards fire, and should, occasionally, be visited by Barrack Serjeants during the night to see that they are vigilant.

Commanding Officers are required to impress on the men under their Command, the necessity of adopting every precaution for the prevention of fires, as compensation for loss by them is admissible only when they appear to have broken out through sheer accident, and it is satisfactorily established that they have not occurred from want of proper care and attention on the part of the Regiment, or through any deviation from the Regulations. No compensation is admissible for Native Soldiers' huts destroyed by fire.

Executive Engineers and Barrack Masters are required to draw the attention of Commanding Officers of stations to any instance in which the foregoing rules have been neglected.

Officers Commanding stations are authorized to offer a reward of 50 Rupees for the discovery of the incendiary in all cases where doubt exists as to the origin of a fire; the reward to be paid on conviction of the perpetrator, and reported to the Quarter Master General.

A printed copy of the above precautions is to be hung up in a conspicuous place in every Regimental Quarter Guard.

Bombay Castle, 14th March 1868.

No. 183.—Lieutenant C. W. Hume, Rifle Brigade, is appointed to officiate as Military Secretary to Major General the Honourable A. H. Gordon, C.B., pending further arrangements, and in addition to his duties as Aide-de-Camp.

This appointment has effect from the 5th February last.

Bombay Castle, 16th March 1868.

No. 184 of 1868.—General Order 235, of 4th April 1867, is to be treated as applicable only to General, Divisional, and Departmental Staff Offices.

No. 185 of 1868.-The following Officers are allowed furlough to Europe on medical certificate:-

Lieutenant Colonel W. Ashburner, Staff Corps, Commandant Her Majesty's 1st Regiment Light Cavalry, for one year.

Major H. A. Woodhouse, Staff Corps, Wing Officer Her Majesty's 8th Regiment Native Infantry, for twenty months.

Lieutenant A. Currie, Adjutant Her Majesty's 1st Regiment Light Cavalry, for fifteen months.

Lieutenant W. S. Seton, Staff Corps, Adjutant Her Majesty's 4th Regiment Native Infantry, for twenty months.

Lieutenant M. M. Carpendale, Staff Corps, Officiating 2nd in Command 1st Regiment Sind Horse, for eighteen months.

Lieutenant G. R. B. Drummond, General List, Assistant Superintendent of Police, Sattara, for twenty months. Lieutenant A. Ollivant, Bengal Staff Corps, for twenty months.

Bombay Castle, 17th March 1868.

No. 186 of 1868.—The following rules will be observed for the supply, repair, and replacement of the canvas bed-cases sanctioned for European troops in G. G. O. No. 773 of 1867:—

They will be supplied on Indent by and borne on the Returns of the Barrack Department, which will obtain them from the Commissariat Department.

Commanding Officers will assemble Committees quarterly, i.e. on the 1st January, 1st April, 1st July, and 1st October, for the inspection of the bed-cases in charge, the Barrackmaster attending to afford information and advice; articles condemned by the Committee should be replaced by Indent on the Barrack Department, when they should be returned to that Department, and those requiring repairs in the opinion of the Committee should be repaired Regimentally.

To avoid the necessity for replacing the bed cases while under repair, the Quartermaster should arrange to repair a certain number each day, and return them to the men before night.

Washing should likewise be done under Regimental arrangements, by not more than fifty at a time in Regiments and twenty in Batteries, a spare supply to this extent being kept up in Regiments and Batteries to replace the articles while at the wash.

The washing should be performed once in every two, four, or six months according as the Commanding Officer may find to be necessary, with reference to the season of the year and local circumstances.

The cost of repairs and washing should be charged in the Pay List, the charge for the former being supported by a copy of the Committee's Proceedings, and a certificate of the market daily rate of pay for a tailor, and that for washing by a certificate of the market rate for such work; these certificates to be obtained from the Cantonment Magistrate or Superintendent of Bazaars.

The bed-cases must not be taken away from a station when the troops move, but should be returned into stores. It is to be understood that when they are returned the bed-cases must be in good repair.

The straw should be renewed when necessary in the opinion of the Commanding Officer, once in every two to six months, for which purpose an Indent should be preferred on the Commissariat Department for the material, and for attendants to fill the bed-cases under the supervision of the officers of that Department.

No. 187 of 1868.—The following General Orders by His Excellency Sir Robert Napier, G.C.S.I., K.C.B., Commanding the Abyssinian Expeditionary Force, are published:—

Head Quarters, Senafe, 9th February 1868.

LXXXVIII. At an European General Court Martial assembled at Senafe in Abyssinia, on the 24th day of January, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, by order of Major General George Malcolm, C.B., Commanding at Senafe, under authority conveyed to him by His Excellency Lieutenant General Sir Robert Napier, G.C.S.I. and K.C.B., Commander-in-Chief of the Abyssinian Expeditionary Force, dated 9th January 1868, Captain A. W. Macnaghten, 3rd Bombay Light Cavalry, was arraigned on the following charge:—

Charge

For conduct unbecoming the character of an Officer and a Gentleman, in having, on or about the Eighth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven, at Camp Adoods, in Abyssinis, entered the tent of Lieutenant C. L. Halbert, of the same Corps, then in arrest, and violently assaulted the said Lieutenant Halbert by repeatedly striking him with a whip.

The above being in breach of the Articles of War.

Finding.

The Court finds that the prisoner, Captain A. W. Macnaghten, 3rd Bombay Light Cavalry, is "Guilty" of the charge preferred against him, with the exception that the assault was committed on the 15th November 1867, instead of the 8th November 1867, as stated in the charge.

Sentence.

The Court sentences the prisoner, Captain Macnaghten, 3rd Bombay Light Cavalry, to be reprimanded in such manner as His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief may deem proper.

(Signed) J. Collings, Brigadier General,

Senafe, 24th January 1868.

President of the General Court Martial.

Confirmed but not approved.

Captain Macnaghten's offence, deliberately committed, deserved a severe sentence-

Senafe, 1st February 1868.

(Signed) R. Napier, Lieutenant General, Commander-in-Chief, Abyssinian Expeditionary Force.

The Major General Commanding at Senafe will convey the sentence of the Court to Captain Macnaghten, who will be released from arrest and return to duty.

Adjutant General's Office, Head Quarters, Senafe, 3rd February 1868.

LXXXIX. Lieutenant W. S. A. Lockhart, 14th Bengal Cavalry, attached to 3rd Regiment Scinde Horse, is appointed Aide-de-Camp to Brigadier General Merewether, C.B., with effect from 22nd ultimo.

XC. Issue of Spirits on payment at Stations south of Koomaylee will be restricted in future to fighting men.

Head Quarters, Camp Goon Goona, 5th February 1868.

XCI. When Officers Commanding Stations, and Station Staff Officers are removed from one command to another, the Station Order Book must not be taken away from the station to which it belongs, but will be handed over to the Officer who succeeds to the command.

This order will be considered retrospective.

XCII. Ammunition in charge of Infantry Regiments serving at or beyond, or proceeding to Senafe, will be increased to 200 rounds per rifle musket.

The quantity over and above what is carried by the soldier will be considered as the First Reserve.

The proper proportion of this reserve will always accompany any portion of the Regiment that may be detached.

The Second Reserve will be at Senafe, under charge of an Officer, and will consist of the following amount :-

Snider Ammunition—250 rounds per rifle.

Musketry do. 150 do. do.

Carbine do. 100 do. per carbine.

The remaining portion will remain at Zoulla under charge of the Commissary of Ordnance.

The Second Reserve will be forwarded to Senafe, so soon as carriage can be spared for its transport, under orders of Major General Sir Charles Staveley, K.C.B., Second in Command.

XCIII. Lieutenant Henry M. Hozier, 2nd Life Guards, is appointed Assistant Military Secretary to His Excellency the Commander in-Chief.

Head Quarters, Camp Focada, 6th February 1868.

XCIV. Officers Commanding Regiments and Detachments of Cavalry, stationed with of Senafe, will invariably send two mounted soldiers with all despatches, letters, or messages, that may be ordered to be forwarded to the front or rear.

Head Quarters, Camp Addigerat, 7th February 1868.

XCV. Staff Assistant Surgeon Jay will perform the duties of Sanitary Officer at Senafe until further orders.

Captain Watts, Bombay Staff Corps, extra Aide-de-Camp to Major General Malcolm, C.B., will officiate as Station Staff Officer, as a temporary measure, until further orders, in addition to his own duties.

Head Quarters, Camp Senafe, 10th February 1868.

XCVI. Mr. Marston, Head Clerk, Deputy Quarter Master General's Office, Abyssinian Expeditionary Force, being unable from loss of health to accompany the Force from Zoulla, is allowed to return to India.

XCVII. With reference to G. O. C. No. 42, dated the 23rd ultimo, the number of doolies or dandies to be allotted to each Corps on the march is to be as follows :-

3 per cent. for European Troops.
2 per cent. for Native Troops.
6 bearers will be allowed to each dooley or dandy.

XCVIII. The Commander-in-Chief has noted the irregular way in which the Land Transport animals return unladen from the front. They are met in fives or tens straggling on the road. When no Inspector returns with them, application should be made to the Commanding Officers of Stations for an escort, who should receive strict orders to keep the convoy together.

The following are the names of the stations occupied by the Force in Abyssinia, and His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief desires, in order to prevent confusion, that in all correspondence and returns, where it is necessary to mention these stations, their names may be spelt in the following manner:-

> Zoulla. Senafe. Goon Goona. Koomaylee. Sooroo. Mai Muzrub. Undul Wells. Focada. Rayrayguddy. Addigerat.

C. The following orders regarding the Establishments attached to the 10th Company Royal Engineers, are published for general information and guidance:—

All Distribution, Camp Equipage, and other periodical Army Returns are to be forwarded by the Officer Commanding the Company to the proper Departments.

The lines on which telegraph communication is to be established will be decided by the Commander-in-Chief in the Quarter Master General's Department.

The Photography, Signallers, and direction of the telegraph will also be under the orders of the Quarter Master General's Department.

CI. All correspondence connected with the Land Transport Corps, will in future be submitted to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief in the Quarter Master General's Department.

All letters from the Director Transport Corps, connected with the organisation, disposition, or interior economy of the corps, requiring His Excellency's orders, should be submitted to the Quarter Master General at Army Head Quarters, through the channel of the Controller of Supply and Transport.

All minor details connected with the corps should, as heretofore, be submitted to Army Head Quarters by General Officers Commanding Divisions.

Adjutant General's Office, Head Quarters, Camp Addigerat, 14th February 1868.

CXXIII. The Line of Telegraph from Zoulla to Senase having been completed, messages may now be sent between those and the following intermediate stations:-

> Rayrayguddy, Undul Wells, Sooroo, Koomaylee.

The telegraph offices at Zoulla and Senafe will be open day and night; those at other stations from 6 to 7 a.m. and from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., unless messages are marked "emergent," when they will be received at any hour.

CXXIV. Captain Hands, 82nd Regiment, being the senior officer of the Corps on the Highlands, will act as Sub-Director of Land Transport, as a temporary measure, until further orders.

CXXV. The undermentioned Officers are reported to have arrived at Sucz, on route for Abyssinia, on the 21st December 1867 :-

> Lieutenant Colonel Milward, R.A. Lieutenant Hozier, 2nd Life Guards.

CXXVI. In continuation of G. O. C. No 42, dated the 23rd ultimo, the following are the scales of camp equipage, carriage, sick carriage, and followers, to be taken on beyond Senafe, for Field Hospitals for this Force :-

Camp Equipage.

3 bell tents, double cloth, for each field hospital.

1 bell tent, single cloth, for the hospital establishment of each field hospital.

bell tent, single cloth, for the necessary of each field hospital.
bell tent, single cloth, for every 5 warrant officers, hospital assistants, apprentices, &c.
bell tent, single cloth, for every 16 public followers.

Carriage.

1 mule, for every bell tent, double cloth.
1 mule, for every 2 bell tents, single cloth.
1 mule, for medicine chests for every field hospital.
2 mules, for cooking utensils and stationery of field hospital, British troops.
2 mules, for medical comforts of each hospital.
1 mule, for fracture apparatus for every field hospital.

1 mule, for the conveyance of the baggage of every eight public followers, the baggage of each follower being limited to 20 lbs.

1 mule, for the conveyance of the baggage of every 4 warrant officers, the baggage of each warrant officer being limited to 40 lbs.

Sick Carriage.

15 dandies, doolies, or hammocks, with six bearers each, for every field hospital.

Followers.

11 second class servants and 90 dooley bearers for each hospital.

The scale of camp equipage, carriage, and followers for Medical Officers with Field Hospitals, will be the same as that allowed for Staff Officers.

Commanding Officers of Corps and Detachments will always arrange (in communication with the Transport authorities) for such spare carriage as may be available to accompany the Hospital on the march, for the purpose of receiving the Kits of the dooley bearers (carried by them), when the dooley or dandy is actually required.

Medical Officers are held responsible that this order is duly observed in marches of all detachments of sick under their charge.

CXXVII. The Weekly "Distribution Return" rendered by Assistant Adjutant Generals of Division is to be discontinued, and in lieu thereof the "Monday morning State" of each Regiment, Battery, and Detachment is to be punctually rendered direct to this office, copy being furnished to Assistant Adjutant Generals of Division for record with the other Morning States.

These states should show the number of Public and Private Followers, and the number of all animals for which

- 2. The Distribution Returns furnished by Corps—according to present form—on the 1st of each month, are to be sent, in original, to this office, after due examination by the Assistant Adjutant Generals of the respective
- 3. Weekly Distribution Returns of all Departments in this Force, rendered direct every Monday morning to this office, need only show the actual number of Departmental Officers, Men, and Followers drawing rations, respectively, as

Total

Mules

The greatest accuracy in this Return is particularly enjoined.

Head Quarters, Camp Addigerat, 15th February 1868.

CXXVIII. The following temporary arrangements are confirmed, with effect from the 8th instant :-

2nd Regiment Bombay N. I. (Grenadiers).

Captain Edwards to officiate as Second in Commend, and Captain Boyd as Wing Officer, in addition to his own duties during the absence of Major Sheppard (appointed Provost Marshal at Zoulla), or until further orders.

CXXIX. The services of the undermentioned Officers are placed at the disposal of the Director, Land Transport Train, with effect from the 12th instant :-

> Lieutenant Pollard, 45th Foot. Lieutenant Ramsbottom, 82nd Foot.

> > By order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief,

FRED. THESIGER, Colonel, Deputy Adjutant General. No. 188 of 1868.—The following General Orders by His Excellency Sir Robert Napier G.C.S.I., K.C.B., Commanding the Abyssinian Expeditionary Force, dated the 15th to 20th February 1868, are published:—

Adjutant General's Office, Head Quarters, Camp Addigerat, 15th February 1868.

CXXX. The Commander-in-Chief requests that as the Head Quarters of this Force will now be so distant from Zoulla, the Weekly Return of Sick of Native Troops furnished for his information may be sub-divided.

One from S. Pelly, Esq., containing information as to all Corps and Departments from Zoulla to Rayrayguddy inclusive.

The second from Deputy Inspector General Mahaffy containing information as to all at Senafe and the front.

A memorandum will accordingly be issued for the guidance of the respective Medical Regimental Officers.

The return is to be in the same form as the present, but a foot note is to be added recording remarks as to the prevalent diseases—the nature and probable cause and duration of them;—the cause of deaths, if any, and any other information which Drs. Pelly and Mahaffy respectively may wish to offer for Sir Robert Napier's attention.

The above applies also to the Distribution Return of Followers lately called for in G. O. C. from Departments.

All Medical arrangements for the Force are for the present to be conducted under the foregoing distribution and supervision, and Dr. Mahaffy will at once and at all times consult Dr. Pelly on all such points as may be necessary to be Departmentally carried out, in order to give due effect to Sir Robert Napier's wishes.

Dr. Mahaffy, Dr. Wyllie and Dr. Shepherd will proceed to Antalo with such Establishments and Medical Stores as may be deemed necessary in order to establish a small depôt hospital there, and to provide for a field hospital to accompany the Force when it advances from that station.

CXXXI. The Commander-in-Chief is pleased to notify for information and guidance, that Government have ruled that Dooly-bearers shall receive no more than Rs. 10 pay, with warm clothing and rations, while on Foreign Service.

CXXXII. The following distribution of the Commands of Divisions and Districts is ordered for the present.

Beyond Addigerat— Major General Sir Charles Staveley, K.C.B. Between Addigerat and Senafe (inclusive)--Major General Malcolm, C.B. Zoulla to Rayrayguddy (inclusive)--Brigadier General Stewart.

CXXXIII. The Senior Executive Medical Officer at each Station, is to be considered the Sanitary Officer of that Station.

CXXXIV. The Chief Engineers of the Bombay Marine will be received on board any of the Hospital Ships for treatment when sick. They will receive Cabin accommodation and be subjected to Hospital stoppages of Rupees two, per diem, Government paying an equal sum, as in the case of Subaltern Officers of the Army.

CXXXV. On the recommendation of the Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals, Indian Medical Service, Assistant Surgeon Lalor is appointed Sanitary Officer to the Force in the Indian Medical Department, vice Surgeon Lumsdaine, appointed to the Staff of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

CXXXVI. Private Mahomed Allee, 27th N. I., is attached to the Transport Train as a 4th Class Inspector, with effect from the 11th instant.

CXXXVII. Subject to confirmation of Government, furlough on medical certificate for twelve months has been granted to Sub-Conductor Maggs, Commissariat Department.

Head Quarters, Camp Addigerat, 17th February 1868.

CXXXVIII. Brigadier General Wilby, accompanied by his Staff, will proceed to Addigerat, and assume

The Brigadier General Commanding at Zoulla will be good enough to arrange for the efficient Command of Koomaylee by a Field Officer.

By order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief,

FRED. THESIGER, Colonel, Deputy Adjutant General.

Adjutant General's Office, Head Quarters, Cump Addigerat, 18th February 1868.

CXXXIX. The Commander-in-Chief desires that whenever troops march, the number of mules to which Officers on the Staff, Corps, or Departments are entitled according to the regulations, may be handed over to them the evening previous to the march, and that each corps will tell off an officer and a fatigue party whose special duty it will be to see the mules attached to it properly fed and watered every day.

During the march these mules will be entirely in the charge of the Officers, Departments, or Corps to which they are attached, and at each new encampment will be picketted in rear of their respective lines.

This order does not apply to the Commissariat Department-

- CXL. Commanding Officers of Corps and Detachments on the march and officers in charge of convoys will see that the spare mules allowed by the regulations, at the rate of 5 per cent., are handed over in charge of the rear guard, and on no account laden except in the event of some of those carrying loads actually breaking down upon the march, and by the men of the rear guard.
- CXLI. Captain C. F. James, Bombay Staff Corps, is appointed a Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General with the Force, and will receive instructions regarding his movements from the Assistant Quarter Master General at Head Quarters.

Head Quarters, Camp Adabagah, 19th February 1868.

- CXLII. Captain Hand, Acting Sub-Director Land Transport Corps with the Force, is vested with the power of an Assistant Provost Marshal until further orders.
 - CXLIII. The following temporary arrangement is sanctioned :-
- Captain Edwards, 2nd Regiment N. I. (Grenadiers), to act as a Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General at Zoulla.
- CXLIV. Ensign Grubb, 45th Foot, is appointed to the Land Transport Train as a Subaltern of Division, with effect from the 15th instant.
- CXLV. Lieutenant Sweny, 4th Foot, Aide-de-Camp to Brigadier General Wilby, having tendered his resignation of that appointment, will join the nearest detachment of his corps as early as possible.
 - CXLVI. The following arrangements are ordered :-
- Captain Llewellyn and Lieutenant Rawle, G Battery 14th Brigade R. A., will join the Head Quarters of their Battery,—the former as soon as possible; and the latter, on being relieved by Lieutenant Knox, will proceed to Addigerat for duty with the Detachment G Battery 14th Brigade R. A.
- CXLVII. Officers in Command of Divisions of the Land Transport Train and Depôts, are directed to issue pay certificates to all Inspectors and Muleteers leaving their stations, in order that the Land Transport Officer at the station to which they are proceeding may be able to issue pay to them when it is due.
- CXLVIII. The Brigadier General Commanding at Zoulla will be good enough to issue such instructions as will prevent individuals marching between Undul Wells and Rayrayguddy (or further if deemed necessary), without escort, and the Officers commanding posts in the passes should be held responsible that this order is not evaded.
- CXLIX. The Commander-in-Chief is pleased to intimate that Indian Local Rank will be held to be in force in this country, pending decision on a reference made on the subject to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India.
- CL. The Commander-in-Chief desires that Officers Commanding Divisions and Brigades on the Highlands will employ every means in their power to procure mules and ponies, suitable for the Transport Service, from the people of this country.

Officers belonging to Commissariat and Land Transport, when on detached duty, should be commissioned to make inquiries, and to purchase as many efficient animals as are offered for sale. Particulars regarding price should be conveyed to all who are so situated.

Advances of money may be made to Officers for this purpose, and any disbursements made by officers from their private funds should be at once made good from the nearest Treasure Chest, and the amount charged to the Public Account.

Head Quarters, Camp Adabagah, 20th February 1868.

- CLI. Subject to confirmation by Government, the Staff Pay of the Provost Marshal is fixed at Rupees 180 per mensem, Provost Serjeants at 25, and their Assistants at 15 rupees a month in addition to their ordinary pay.
- CLII. Serjeants Alfred Whitney and Charies Ogden, 35th Foot, are appointed Commissariat Serjeants, with effect from the 16th instant-

By order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief,

FRED. THESIGER, Colonel,

Deputy Adjutant General.

No. 189 of 1868.—The undermentioned Officer, having completed twelve years' service, to be Captain from the date specified, subject to Her Majesty's approval:—

Staff Corps.

No. 190 of 1868.—The following General Order by the Government of India, dated 5th March 1868, No. 235, is republished:—

"No. 235 of 1868.—The following Military Letter from the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India, No. 32, dated 31st January 1868, is published for general information:—

Military.

'INDIA OFFICE; London, 31st January 1868.

To His Excellercy the Right Honourable the Governor General of India in Council.

Sir,—The Commissioners of Chelsea Hospital being of opinion that the present mode of payment by them (by means of the ordinary form of order) to claimants in India, of shares of prize money due to them for service in British Regiments in the instances in which such shares have been inadvertently remitted for payment in this country, entails very great delay, I have consented, on the repayment to this Office of the amount of any such shares, to authorize their payment in India.

2. On all future occasions, therefore, payments will be authorized by the Governments of the respective Presidencies in which the claimant may reside, a report of the date of payment being made to this Office.

I have, &c., '(Signed) STAFFORD H. NORTHCOTE.'

(Signed) H. W. NORMAN, Colonel,

Secretary to the Government of India."

No. 191 of 1868.—The undermentioned Officers of Royal Engineers are raised to increased pay, viz :-

No. 192 of 1868.—The following Extracts from the London Gazette of 14th February 1868, page 722, are published for general information:—

"WAR OFFICE, PALL MALL, 14th February 1868.

Brevet.

The local rank of Major General conferred upon Brevet Colonel Thomas Tapp, C.B., 103rd Foot, to be antedated to the 4th November 1865.

The undermentioned promotions to take place in Her Majesty's Indian Military Forces consequent on the death of Licutenant General William Henry Marshall, Bengal Infantry, on the 29th January 1868.

Colonel Edward Lechmere Russell, Bombay Infantry, to be Major General."

No. 193 of 1868.—Captain and Deputy Commissary S. Chetham, of the Ordnance Department, is transferred to the Invalid Establishment under the provisions of G. O. No. 75, of 29th January last.

No. 194 of 1868.—The services of Lieutenant Arthur Fitzgerald, 26th Regiment Punjab N. I., having been placed at the disposal of the Bombay Government for service with the Transport Corps in Abyssinia, that Officer is appointed a Subaltern of the Corps accordingly.

Bombay Castle, 18th March 1868.

No. 195 of 1868.—The following Officer, having applied for admission to the Staff Corps under the provisions of paragraph 5 of G. O. G. I. No. 531, dated 27th June 1864, is appointed to the Bombay Staff Corps from the date specified opposite his name, subject to the approval of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India:—

Rank and Name,	Corps.	Staff Appointment.	Date from which admitted.
Lieutenant Augustus Berkeley Port- man.	Royal Artillery	Assistant Superintendent o Police, Sattara.	f 18th April 1866.

No. 196 of 1868.—Lieutenants W. B. Seton and E. S. Walcott, Probationers Commissariat Department, have passed the prescribed examination, on 10th March 1868. They are promoted to be acting Sub-Assistant Commissaries General, 1st Class, from that date.

No. 197 of 1868.—The following General Order, by the Government of India, dated 3rd March 1868, No. 224, is republished:—

"No. 224 of 1868.—With reference to Government General Order No. 523 of the 22nd June 1864, it is hereby notified that the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India has been pleased to direct that the order contained in paragraph 2 of Sir C. Wood's letter No. 133, dated 9th May 1864, under which forfeiture of all claims to Indian pensions is involved by exchanges between Officers of the non-purchase Regiments, be rescinded.

(Signed) H. W. NORMAN, Colonel, Secretary to the Government of India."

No. 198 of 1868 .- The following General Order, by the Government of India, dated 6th March 1868, No. 242, is republished :-

"No. 242 of 1868.—In continuation of Government General Order No. 154, of the 14th ultimo, the services of the undermentioned Officers are placed temporarily at the disposal of the Government of Bombay, for employment with the Abyssinian Expeditionary Force :-

> Captain F. W. Russell, of the late 3rd European Light Cavalry. Captain L. H. P. DeH. Larpent, of the Bengal Staff Corps.

>For the Land Transport Corps.

Major, Lucknow.

Lieutenant H. G. Becher, of the Bengal Staff Corps, 2nd Wing Subaltern, 11th Native Infantry.

Lieutenant A. J. Wallace, of the Bengal Staff Corps. Lieutenant H. L. Young, of the General List, Infantry Lieutenant C. W. Babington, of the General List, Infantry, In charge of Camel-men pro-

ceeding from the Punjab.

lst Squadron Subaltern, 9th Cavalry.

Lieutenant P. H. Moubray, of the Royal Artillery, 2nd Wing Subaltern, of the 13th (The Shekhawattee) Re
in charge of Muleteers progiment Native Infantry.

> (Signed) H. W. NORMAN, Colonel, Secretary to the Government of India."

No. 199 of 1868.—The following Adjustment of rank and promotion are made:-

Cadre 23rd Regiment N. L. I.

Captain John Bourchier Fenwick (Staff Corps) to have the position of Captain, from the 14th July 1867, vice Paul, resigned.

Lieutenant Gordon Forbes Birdwood (Staff Corps), to have the position of Captain, from the 6th August 1867, vice Turnbull, deceased.

No. 200 of 1868, Lieutenant F. W. Major, Staff Corps, Assistant Superintendant Mysore Revenue Survey. passed an examination in Canarese, according to the Standard laid down in G. G. O. No. 443, of the 23rd September 1864.

> W. F. MARRIOTT, Colonel, Secretary to Government.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

Bombay Castle, 17th March 1868.

No. 9 of 1868.-The following temporary arrangements are confirmed :-

By Captain J. W. Young, C.B., Superintendent of Marine.

Thomas Theration, Gunner's Mate, and Rozario Narauho, Carpenter's Mate, of H. M.'s Gun Boat "Hugh Rose," proceeding from Bushire to Bombay on medical certificate, were each provided with a deck passage and victualling on board the British India Steam Navigation Company's Steamer "Penang" from 6th to 17th February 1868, both days inclusive.

One Naique and 10 Privates of the 21st Regiment N. I. (Marine Battalion) of H. M.'s Gun Boat "Hugh Rose" (relieved by another party), were provided with passages from Lingah to Bombay on board the B. I. S. N. Company's Steamer "Penang" from the 9th February 1868.

Sub-Assistant Surgeons Abdool Rahim and Gonsalves, appointed to the medical charge of the Gun Boats "Hugh Rose" and "Clyde," were each accommodated with a 1st Class passage from Bombay to Persian Gulf, the former by the B. I. S. N. Company's Steamer "Governor Higginson" on the 3rd February, and the latter by the Steamer "Kurrachee" on the 17th February 1868.

W. F. MARRIOTT, Colonel,

Secretary to Government.

CIVIL APPOINTMENTS, &c-

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Bombay Castle, 18th March 1868.

Mr. G. A. Kittredge resumed charge of the duties of Vice Consul for the United States of America on the 13th instant.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Bombay Castle, 13th March 1868.

Rao Saheb Muhiputram Roopram, Mr. Dinshaw Hormusjee, and Mr. Behcherdass Ambaidass, Members of the Municipal Commission of Abmedabad, are appointed Honorary Magistrates, and each invested with the powers of a Subordinate Magistrate of the First Class in that District.

Bombay Castle, 14th March 1868.

Mr. R. H. Showell, Second Magistrate of Police, Bombay, is allowed leave of absence for six months, from 4th proximo, to proceed to Europe on private affairs, under Section 12, Clause 1, of the Uncovenanted Service Absentee Rules.

The undermentioned persons are each invested with the powers of a Subordinate Magistrate of the Second Class in the Rutnagherry District :--

Azum Succaram Narayen Bhavé, Mamlutdar of Sungmeshwur Talooka.

Azum Sewram Bapuji Desace, Head Carkoon to the Mamlutdar of Sungmeshwur Talooka.

Azum Sewram Rameristna Raikur, Head Carkoon to the Mamlutdar of the Sooverndroog Talooka.

Azum Prubhakur Govind Baput, Head Carkoon to the Mamlutdar of the Malwan Taluka.

Bombay Castle, 17th March 1868.

Mr. R. F. Mactier and Mr. A. C. Watt respectively delivered over and received charge of the Adawlut at Sattara in the forenoon of the 13th instant.

Under the provisions of Section 6 of Act XXII. of 1864, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council is pleased to establish in the Cantonment of Deesa a Court of Small Causes.

His Excellency in Council is also pleased to invest Major Hathway, Cantonment Magistrate of Deesa, with the powers of a Magistrate under the Criminal Procedure Code within the limits of the Cantonment.

Bombay Castle, 18th March 1868.

The Honorable the Judges of Her Majesty's High Court of Judicature have permitted the adjournment from the 1st to the 15th May next of the Court of Small Causes at Ahmednuggur.

The Honorable the Judges of Her Majesty's High Court of Judicature have permitted the adjournment for six weeks, from the 20th April next, of the Civil Courts in the Surat District.

The Honorable the Judges of Her Majesty's High Court of Judicature have permitted the adjournment for six weeks, from the 15th proximo, of the Civil Courts in the Ahmedabad District.

Mr. John Connon, Barrister-at-Law, to act as 2nd Magistrate of Police, Bombay, during the absence of Mr. R. H. Showell on leave, or until further orders.

Azum Bapoojee Nuthoobhaee, 1st Carkoon of the Anund Talooka, is invested with the powers of a Subordinate Magistrate of the 2nd Class in the Kaira District.

By order of the Right Honourable the Governor in Council,

C. GONNE,

Secretary to Government.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT

Bombay Castle, 13th March 1868.

Mr. A. F. Bellasis is to continue to act as Revenue and Police Commissioner, Southern Division, pending the receipt of further orders.

Bombay Castle, 16th March 1868.

Mr. G. H. D. Wilson was in charge of the Office of First Assistant Collector of Sattara from the 12th June to 5th of July 1867, both days inclusive.

Bombay Castle, 18th March 1868.

Mr. Shamrao Kunderao to be Special Sub-Registrar of Assurances for the Barsee Sub-District in the Sholapoor District.

Mr. Balkrishna Nilkunt to be Special Sub-Registrar of Assurances for the Punderpoor Sub-District in the Sholapoor District.

Mr. F. Thelwall, Second Assistant Collector of Kulladghee, has been allowed leave of absence on medical certificate for twelve months, to proceed to England. He has also been allowed preparatory leave for twenty-one days.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

Bombay Castle, 17th March 1868.

Surgeon J. Mills to be Presidency Surgeon, 2nd District, during the absence of Surgeon A. M. Rogers.

Bombay Castle, 18th March 1868.

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council is pleased to publish the following Notification, in supersession of that portion of the Notification relative to the appointment of Surgeon Major Pirie, published at page 343 of the Bombay Government Gazette, of the 24th October 1867:—

"Surgeon Major J. Pirie, M.D., to be Civil Surgeon, Ahmedabad, during the absence of Surgeon Major Wyllie, M. D."

By order,

E. W. RAVENSCROFT,

Acting Chief Secretary to Government.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Bombay Castle, 18th March 1868.

Mr. Charles Nuttall, Controller 3rd Class, 3rd Grade, Public Works Account, Hydrabad (Deccan), is permitted to proceed to Europe on medical certificate for twenty months.

By order of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council,

M. K. KENNEDY, Colonel, R.E., Secretary to Government.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Bombay Castle, 18th March 1868.

Mr. W. W. Crowe, C.S., received charge of his duties as Acting Professor in the Poona College on the 7th instant.

Bombay Castle, 18th March 1868.

C. A. Farran, Esq., B.A., is appointed to act as Government Law Professor and Perry Professor of Juris-prudence during Dr. Reid's absence on leave.

Sir A. Grant, Bart., Director of Public Instruction, has been allowed privilege leave of absence for three months, dating from the 29th April next.

Mr. Mahadeo Govind Ranadey, LL.B., joined his appointment as Acting Professor in the Elphinstone College on the 11th instant.

By order of the Right Honourable the Governor in Council,

C. GONNE, Secretary to Government.

NOTIFICATIONS BY THE ACCOUNTANT CENERAL.

No. 70.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Officers at the Presidency are hereby reminded that the Examiner of Claims will not be able to disburse the amount of their Salary Abstracts for this month, until the Statement required by this Office Circular No. 5782, dated 8th January last, shall have been received by the undersigned; and Officers in the Mofussil, as well as Disbursing Officers, are reminded that their Salary Abstracts for this month will not be passed until the above Statement shall have been received in this Office.

Bombay, Accountant General's Office, 14th March 1868.

No. 71.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

All Officers in charge of Civil Treasuries are requested from and after 1st April next, to credit at once in their accounts all recoveries made on account of the Bombay Military Fund to "18 Miscellaneous Receipts", under a distinct subordinate head "Military Fund," instead of remitting the amounts by Transfer Receipts to Her Majesty's Treasury, Bank of Bombay. The usual return of all recoveries realized should be sent as heretofore by the Treasury Officer to the Sceretary, Bombay Military Fund.

Bombay, Accountant General's Office, 17th March 1868.

J. L. LUSHINGTON,

Accountant General.

NOTIFICATIONS BY THE REVENUE AND POLICE COMMISSIONERS.

NORTHERN DIVISION.

The following Rules regarding the removal of earth, stones, sand, &c., subsidiary to the Rules under Section 35 of Act I. of 1865, sanctioned in the Government Resolution No. 4507, dated 1st November 1865, in the Surat Collectorate, are published for general information:—

- "1.—Any persons may, with the sanction of the Village Authorities, take, free of all charge, from village tanks, as much earth, stones, sand, &c., as they require, subject to the following conditions, viz:—
- (d.)—That they shall dig only in certain parts of tanks which will be pointed out by a Punchayat, composed of the Patell and four Khatadars, and assembled by him on the 1st of November in each year.
 - (B.) That they shall not remove any stones that may have fallen in from the banks of built tanks.
 - (C.) That they do not dig within four "haths" of the embankment, or "palee" of such tanks.
- II.—Landholders, Village Koombhars, and other permanent residents may take earth, stones, sand, &c.,
 free of all charge, for all agricultural and domestic purposes, from Government unassessed unculturable waste, not being reserved for village common use, for forest, or any other public purpose on obtaining the written permission

use, for forest, or any other public purpose, on obtaining the written permission of the Patell and Tullatee; and if these Officers should refuse to grant permission, applicants can complain to the Mamlutdar, who will decide whether such refusal is warranted. The persons mentioned above, if requiring to dig earth, &c., in this description of land, for purposes of sale or trade, and all other persons, will be required to pay the fee prescribed in Rule VI.

- III.—Landholders, Village Koombhavs, and other permanent village residents may take, without fee or permission, earth, stone, sand, &c., from the beds of rivers and nullas, for all agricultural, domestic, and public purposes, within the limits of the villages in which the beds may be situate.
- IV.—No person will, under any ordinary circumstances, be permitted to take earth, stones, sand, &c., for any purpose, out of Government assessed unoccupied waste, under a penalty of thirty times the assessment of the entire number, which penalty shall confer on him the occupancy, but subject to the annual assessment.
- V.—Occupants of Government land may, ofter obtaining the Mamlutdar's permission, take, without fee, Government occupied land.

 carth, stones, sand, &c., from their own fields for any purpose connected with their farms, such as for bricks for the construction of their own farms, such conditions as the Collector may impose.

For the attention of the orge. - want Debran Mach

NOTIFICATIONS BY THE RECISTRAR GENERAL OF ASSURANCES.

The following Officers have respectively delivered over and received charge of Sub-Registry Office on the date specified:—

District.	Sub-District.	Name of Officer delivering over charge.	Name of Officer receiving charge.	Date of the same.	Time.
Ahmednuggur.	Egutpoora	Mr. Raojee Vittul	Mr. Vinayek Pandoo	21st Feb. 1868	In the afternoon.

F. F. ARBUTHNOT,

Bombay, General Registry Office, 17th March 1868.

Registrar General.

STATEMENT of Appointments made under Section 12 of Act XX. of 1866, between the 12th and 18th March 1868.

No.	Persons appointed.	To what duties.		At what place.
2	Mr. Poorshotum Narayen "Purshram Bhasker "Swamerao Venktesh "Appajee Chimnajee "Gopallsing Dowlatsing "Lujjashunkur Moolshunker, Mamlutdar	Do. Do. Do. Do.	Sub-Registrar, do. do. do. do.	Bhewndy, in the Tanna District. Salsette do. do. Dharwar, in the Dharwar District. Rahooree, in the Ahmednuggur District. Ahmednuggur, in the Ahmednuggur district. Veerungaum, in the Ahmedabad District

F. F. ARBUTHNOT,

Bombay, General Registry Office, 18th March 1868.

Registrar General.

The following Officers have respectively delivered over and received charge of Sub-Registry Offices on the dates specified:—

District,	Sub-District.	Names of Officers delivering over charge.	Names of Officers receiving charge.	Date of the same. Time.
Tanna Do Dharwar Alibaugh	Salsette Dharwar	" Sittaram Trimbuck " Beesto Seshadree .	Mr. Poorshotum Narayen. ,, Purshram Bhasker 1 ,, Swamerao Venktesh. 1 ,, Ganputrao Atmaram 2	5th ditto Do. 2th ditto Do.
Rutnagherry .	Veerungaum	hanabaie, 1st Carcoon.	" Lujjashunkur Mool-	25th ditto Do. 7th Mar. 1868 Afternoon
Ahmednuggur	Kopergaum .	" Hurry Sakharam	" Pandoorung Raghoo- nath.	9th Ditto Forenoon

F. F. ARBUTHNOT,

Registrar General.

Bombay, General Registry Office, 18th March 1868.

NOTIFICATION BY THE INSPECTOR GENERAL, INDIAN MEDICAL DEPT.

No. 29.—The follow	ving transfers are ordered:-	From	To
1st Grade Apprentic	Shaik Dawood (No. 570)	Callian Dispensary	Ophthalmic Hospital,
			Bombay.
Acting ditto	Bugwunt Succaram (No. 660).	Bhewndy Dispensary.	Oorun Dispensary.
2nd ditto	Chinoo Lingoo (No. 691)	24th Regt. N. I	Punderpore Dispensary.
Ditto	Ambajee Kansay (Nc. 739)	13th Regt. N. I	Bandora Dispensary.
Ditto	Mhadoo Bapoo (No. 781)	22nd Regt. N. L	Baicherdass Dispensary,
	1 (0. 10 -) 1. 10		Ahmedabad.
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By order of the Inspector General Indian Medical Department, T. B. JOHNSTONE, M.D.,

Bombay, 18th March 1868.

Surgeon Major, Secretary.

VI.—All persons requiring to take earth, stones, sand, kunkur, moorum, &c. &c., for purposes of sale or trade, from any place, except a tank, as provided in Rule I., must obtain the written permission of the Mamlutdar, and pay the fee prescribed below. Breaches of this rule to be punished by inflicting twice the fee as penalty:—

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If taken out of	Within 5 miles of Surat and Broach.						herry	3,000 Town:	s, and	tants, Rail-	All other villages.					
TO SHE DO NO.	Earth.	Stones.	Kunkur.	Moorum.	Sand.	Earth.	Stones.	Kunkur.	Moorum.	Sand.	Earth.	Stones.	Kunkur.	Moorum.	Sand.	1
Seemed Said Self	Per yard As.	Cart	Per Cart As.	Cart	Cart	vard	Cart	Cart	Cart	Cart	Per yard Pies.	Cart	Cart	Cart	Per Cart Pies.	
Tanks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	. 0	0	
A River or Nulla	2	*	4	0	1	11	*	3	0	9	6	*_	2	0	6	
Government unassessed uncul- turable waste	2	8	4	3	0	11	6	3	2	0	6	4	2	1	0	
Government occupied land	3	12	6	41	0	23	9	41	3	0	9	6	3	11/2	0	

^{*} Building stones, annas 4, 3, and 2 per cart for classes I., II., and III. respectively. Shingle, annas 2, 1\frac{1}{2}, and 1 do. do. do.

N.B.—The yard superficial is intended, but the rates will cover excavation three yards deep.

VII .- The site of a kiln (Pajawo Bhutee, &c.) will be charged for at the same rate as for excavation.

VIII.—All persons wishing to obtain land of whatever description for building bungalows, factories, or other special purposes, must obtain the written permission of the Collector, and comply with such special terms as he may prescribe.

IX.—A discretionary power is reserved to the Collector of leasing, or selling by auction, the right of taking earth, kunkur, stones, sand, moorum, &c., out of all Government unoccupied land, whether culturable or not, when he may find special circumstances rendering it advisable.

X.—All cases of magnitude should be referred by the Collector for the sanction of the Revenue Commissioner.

March 1868.

A. ROGERS,
Revenue and Police Commissioner, N.D.

SOUTHERN DIVISION.

Lieutenant Colonel W. Pirie and Mr. J. F. Armstrong respectively delivered over and received charge of the Office of the Superintendent of Police, Kulladghee, after Office hours on the 2nd March 1868,

A. F. BELLASIS,

Officiating Revenue and Police Commissioner, S.D.

Poona, 11th March 1868.

NOTIFICATION BY THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS, SALT, AND OPIUM.

Notice is hereby given, that the Farm of the Revenue derivable from certain Cranes on the Town Custom House Bunder, from 1st April 1868 to 31st March 1869, being 12 months, will be let by Public Auction at the Town Custom House, on Monday, the 23rd instant, at 1 p.m.

2. A deposit of 25 per cent, will be required, and other conditions made known at the time of sale,

A. TAYLOR,

For Acting Deputy Commissioner of Customs, P. D.

Bombay, Custom House, 18th March 1868.

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POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

Changes of Address.—All communications on the Subject should be made to the Post Master of Bombay, or other Post Masters, and not to the Post Master General. The name of the Post Town to which letters will be found addressed should be stated in the application.

No request for alteration in the destination of letters can be attended to in the Bombay Post Office after the Overland Mail is signalled.

Complaints from Residents of Bombay requiring redress as to surcharge of postage, missending, or delay in the delivery of letters, &c., should be made to the Post Master, accompanied by the envelopes of the letters referred to.

Similar complaints in the Mofussil should be made to the Inspecting Post Master of the Division, also accompanied by the envelope.

An appeal against the decision of the Post Master of Bombay, or of the Inspecting Post Master, can always be made to the Post Master General.

Overland Wails.—The Overland Mails per P. and O. Company's Steam Packet will be closed every Saturday at 2 p.m. After Packet at 3 p.m.

After-Packet Letters will not be forwarded unless an 8-anna stamp is affixed to the letter in addition to the postage.

Registered Letters will be received until 1 P.M.

The latest hour for posting Overland Covers at the several Branch Post Offices is 1 P.M.

China Mail.—The Post Office Packets for Ceylon, Penang, Singapone, and Hongkong, per P. & O. Company's Steamer, will be closed on Friday, the 27th March 1868, at 9 a.m. A Packet for late Letters will be kept open, on payment of the usual fee, until 10 a.m.

Postal Guide.—The Bombay Postal Guide, with Postal Map of the Bombay Postal Circle, corrected up to the 1st May 1867, can now be had on application at the Post Office.—Price 1 Rupee.

DESPATCH OF MAILS FROM BOMBAY.

	Late	est hour for Posti	ng.				
Mails.	At General I	At General Post Office.					
	Ordinary Letters and Papers.	After Packet Letters.	At Branch Post Offices.				
For Post Towns on the N. E. Line of the G. I. P. Railway, i.e. for Khandeish, Malwa, Berar, Central Pro-		*********					
vinces, Punjab, N. W. Provinces, and Bengal For Post Towns on the S. E. Line of the G. I. P. Railway, <i>i.e.</i> for Poona, the Deccan, S. M. Country, and	4-30 г.м.	5 Р.М.	3-30 р.м.				
Madras Presidency	1 P.M.	2 р.м.	0-30 г.м.				
way, i.e. for Stations on the Railway Line as far as Poona	8 л.м.		of previous day.				
Post Offices on the Railway Line, Guzerat, Scinde, Kattiawar, and Kutch	4-30 л. м.	5 а.м.	f previous day.				

Registered Letters and Banghy Parcels for despatch by all Mails will be received, except on Sundays, from 7 to 8 A.M. and from 12 (noon) to 5 P.M.

Overland Mails.—In continuation of this Office Postal Notice, dated the 26th instant, the following Table, showing the dates of departure of Overland Mail Steamers from Bombay during the year 1868, is published for general information. It will be noticed that, during the monsoon months, the P. & O. Co.'s weekly Contract Steamers will quit Bombay on Tuesdays.

Le	ave Bombay on	Leave Bombay on									
Month.	Day.	At 5 P.M.	Month.	Day.	At 5 P.M.						
January 1868 Ditto February Ditto March Ditto June Ditto	Wednesday Friday Saturday	29 14	July 1868 Ditto August Ditto Ditto Ditto September Ditto	Tuesday	21 28 4 11 18 25 1 25 15 22 29 6 13 20 31 7 14 21 28 5 12 19 26						

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Overland Postage Rates.—Under the authority of the Treasury Warrant, published in page 490, Part I. of the Bombay Government Gazette, dated 26th December 1867, the correspondence of Officers of the Army in India is excluded from the operation of the increased rates of Postage on letters passing between India and the United Kingdom, intimated in this Office Postal Notice No. 4, dated 26th instant, and will be charged, from 1st April 1868 the uniform rates below mentioned, in which Inland Postage has been included.

2. Letters entitled to the privileged rates laid down in the Warrant, may be classed as follows, and must be subject to the conditions enumerated. Should any of these conditions not have been regarded, the cover will be considered an Ordinary Overland letter, and treated accordingly:—

I .- LETTERS POSTED IN INDIA.

- (a.) The sender must be a Commissioned Officer of the Army, actually employed (otherwise than in Civil employ) in Her Majesty's Service in India.
- (b.) The letter must be one addressed to the United Kingdom.
- (c.) The letter must bear by way of superscription,-
 - 1. The signature of the Commissioned Officer who sends the letter.
 - 2. The signature of the Commanding Officer of the Regiment, Corps, or Detachment in which the sender is serving, or of the Local Head of the Department to which he belongs.
 - A specification by the Commanding Officer or Local Head of the name of the Regiment, Corps, or Detachment in which the Officer is serving or of the Department to which he belongs.

II .- LETTERS DELIVERED IN INDIA.

- (a). The letter must be one which has been posted in the United Kingdom.
- (b). It must be addressed to a Commissioned Officer of the Army actually employed (otherwise than in Civil employ) in Her Majesty's Service in India.
- (c). It must bear by way of superscription,-
 - 1. The rank of the addressee; and
 - 2. The Regiment, Corps, or Detachment in which he is serving, or the Department to which he belongs.
- 3. As regards the term "Civil employ," it will be proper to regard all Military Officers serving under the orders of the Civil Administrations (i. e. not under the orders of the Commander-in-Chief) as being in Civil employ. For instance, Military Officers belonging to the Survey, Public Works, Education, Telegraph, Post Office, Police, Jail, and other similar Departments, as well as Secretaries to Government, Cantonment Magistrates, Commissioners, Deputy Commissioners, Civil Surgeons, &c., will be regarded as being in Civil employ.
- 4. The condition that the Officer must be "actually employed" in Her Majesty's Service in India, excludes Officers who may be on leave from a title to claim the privilege.
- 5. The term "Local Head of a Department" may be regarded as meaning the Chief Officer of the Department in the station where the letter is posted.
 - 6. The privileged rates, subject to the abovenamed conditions, are as follows:—

Viá Southampton.

On every letter not exceeding ½ oz. in weight.	On every letter exceeding ½ oz. and not exceeding 1 oz. in weight.	On every letter exceeding 1 oz., and not exceeding 2 ozs. in weight.	On every letter exceeding 2 ozs. and not exceeding 3 ozs. in weight.	REMARKS.
		£ s. d. Rs. a. p. 0 2 0 i.e. 1 0 0		the weight of 3 ozs. will be

7. As under para 4 of the Warrant, Foreign postage is chargeable in addition to the above rates the charges viá Marseilles will be as follows:—

Viâ Marseilles.

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	E s. d.	Rs. a. p.	£ s. d.					-			Ρ.	Every fraction of an oz. above the weight of 3 ozs. will be charged with £ s. d. Rs. a. p. 0 1 8 i.c. 0 13 4					

^{8.} These privileged rates must be prepaid in full; if unpaid or insufficiently paid, every such letter will be charged with the deficient postage, together with a further and additional rate of postage of 6d, or 4 annas.

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2. Letters entitled to the privileged rates laid down in the Warrant, may be classed as follows, and must be subject to the conditions enumerated. Should any of these conditions not have been regarded, the cover will be considered an Ordinary Overland letter, and treated accordingly:—

I .- LETTERS POSTED IN INDIA.

- (a.) The sender must be a Commissioned Officer of the Army, actually employed (otherwise than in Civil employ) in Her Majesty's Service in India.
- (b.) The letter must be one addressed to the United Kingdom.
- (c.) The letter must bear by way of superscription,-
 - 1. The signature of the Commissioned Officer who sends the letter.
 - 2. The signature of the Commanding Officer of the Regiment, Corps, or Detachment in which the sender is serving, or of the Local Head of the Department to which he belongs.
 - A specification by the Commanding Officer or Local Head of the name of the Regiment, Corps, or Detachment in which the Officer is serving or of the Department to which he belongs.

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- (a). The letter must be one which has been posted in the United Kingdom.
- (b). It must be addressed to a Commissioned Officer of the Army actually employed (otherwise than in Civil employ) in Her Majesty's Service in India.
- (c). It must bear by way of superscription,—
 - 1. The rank of the addressee; and
 - 2. The Regiment, Corps, or Detachment in which he is serving, or the Department to which he belongs.
- 3. As regards the term "Civil employ," it will be proper to regard all Military Officers serving under the orders of the Civil Administrations (i. c. not under the orders of the Commander-in-Chief) as being in Civil employ. For instance, Military Officers belonging to the Survey, Public Works, Education, Telegraph, Post Office, Police, Jail, and other similar Departments, as well as Secretaries to Government, Cantonment Magistrates, Commissioners, Deputy Commissioners, Civil Surgeons, &c., will be regarded as being in Civil employ.
- 4. The condition that the Officer must be "actually employed" in Her Majesty's Service in India, excludes Officers who may be on leave from a title to claim the privilege.
- 5. The term "Local Head of a Department" may be regarded as meaning the Chief Officer of the Department in the station where the letter is posted.
 - 6. The privileged rates, subject to the abovenamed conditions, are as follows:-

Viâ Southampton.

On every letter not exceeding ½ oz. in weight.	On every letter exceeding ½ oz. and not exceeding 1 oz. in weight.	On every letter exceeding 1 oz., and not exceeding 2 ozs. in weight.	On every letter exceeding 2 ozs. and not exceeding 3 ozs. in weight.	REMARKS.
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On every letter not exceeding 1 oz. in weight.	On every letter exceed- ing } oz. and not exceeding 1 oz. in weight.	On every letter exceed- ing 1 oz. and not exceeding 2 ozs. in weight.	On every letter exceed- ing 2 ozs. and not exceeding 3 ozs. in weight.	Remarks.
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^{8.} These privileged rates must be prepaid in full; if unpaid or insufficiently paid, every such letter will be charged with the deficient postage, together with a further and additional rate of postage of 6d. or 4 annas.

Overland Postage Rates.—Under instructions this day received from Her Majesty's Post Master General, it is hereby notified for the information of the public, that the single rate of postage on Letters sent between the United Kingdom and India, viá Southampton, has been raised from 4 Annas to 6 Annas, the rate on those forwarded viá Marseilles by British Packet, or by French Packet, being in like manner raised from 6 Annas 8 Pie to 8 Annas 8 Pie.

Unpaid Letters, whether forwarded viá Southampton, viá Marseilles, or by French Packet, will be liable, in addition to the foregoing rates, to a fine of 6 Annas, and insufficiently paid Letters will be liable to the deficient postage, and a like fine of 6 Annas.

All Letters forwarded from India through the United Kingdom to Foreign Countries or British Colonies will in like manner be subject to an additional charge of 2 Annas per 1/2 oz. over and above the rates which have heretofore been chargeable in India.

It has also been decided to alter the scale of progression for charging Letters above the weight of ½ oz., and to adopt a scale of charge rising by half ounces.

The above changes have been ordered with effect from the 1st April next; Letters posted in India on or after that date being subject to the new rates.

The following Table shows the rates chargeable in India, under the abovementioned provisions, on Letters addressed to the United Kingdom:—

Letters addressed to the United Kingdom.

	Not exceed- ing 1 oz.		Exceeding 1 oz. and not exceeding 1 oz.		Exceeding 1 oz. and not exceeding 1½ oz.			Exceeding 1½ oz. and not exceeding 2 oz.			For every additional ½ oz.					
By British Packet.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs	. a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	I	ls.	a.	p.
Viâ Southampton Viâ Marseilles By French Packet.	0	8	0 8							1 2 y Bri				0	8	8

Note.—The change in rates does not, as will be observed, affect Newspapers, Books, or Patterns, and it applies only to Letters sent to or through the United Kingdom. The charges for instance on Letters sent to Foreign Europe via France or via Trieste, or through the British, French, or Austrian Post Offices at Alexandria, or to Malta or Gibraltar, or British Colonies in Asia, are not affected by the present alteration.

Postage to the United States.—The public are hereby informed, that, under a new Postal Convention concluded by Her Majesty's Postmaster General with the United States of America, the postage chargeable on letters sent from England to the United States has been reduced, provision being also made for the transmission of Book and Pattern Packets.

2. Under the new arrangement, the consolidated rates of postage (including the increased rates recently ordered between India and the United Kingdom) chargeable on Letters, Newspapers, and Book and Pattern Packets, addressed to the United States of America, will be as follows, viz.:—

Letters.

	Not exceed ½ oz	Exceeding 1 oz. and not exceeding 1 oz.			Exce 1 oz. a exce 1 ½	la oz	eedi and eedi ozs.	not	For every additional		
	Rs. a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a. p	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs. a. p.
Viâ Marseilles	0 12	0	1	8	0	2	4 0	3	0	0	0 12 0
Viâ Southampton	0 9	4	1	2	8	1	12 0	2	5	0	0 9 4

Newspapers.

For each paper not exceeding 4 oz .-

Rs. a. p.

 Viâ Marseilles
 0
 3
 4

 Viâ Southampton
 0
 2
 8

Book and Pattern Packets.

		Not exceed- ing 4 oz.			Exceeding 4 oz. and not exceeding 8 oz.		d-	Exceeding 8 oz. and not exceed- ing 12 oz.		Every additional 4 oz.			
		Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
(*)\	Viá Marseilles	0	6	0	0	12	0	1	2	0	0	6	0
	Viâ Southampton	0	4	8	0	9	4	0	12	0	0	4	8

The conditions in respect to the mode of packing, maximum weight, &c., of Book and Pattern Packets addressed to the United States of America, will be the same as those relating to Packets addressed to Great Britain.

Postage to Turkey.—Under instructions from Her Majesty's Post Master General the following rates of postage will be chargeable in India, on correspondence addressed to Europe "via Trieste," or sent through the Austrian Post Office at Alexandria, to places* in Turkey where there are Austrian Post Offices.

The full prepayment of these rates is in all cases compulsory, and they do not carry the covers to destination, being in fact only the Indian and British Packet rates. The Austrian rates cannot be prepaid in India.

Leiters.

Not exceeding 1/2 oz.	Exceeding & oz. and not exceeding 1 oz.	Exceeding 1 and not exceeding 1½ oz.	Exceeding 1½ oz. and not exceeding 2 oz.		
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
0 4 8	0 9 4	0 14 0	1 2 8		

And so on adding 4 Annas and 8 Pie for every additional & oz. or fraction thereof.

Newspapers.

Not exceeding 4 ozs. 1 Anna 4 Pie cach.

Book and Pattern Packets.

Not exceeding 4 ozs.	Exceeding 4 ozs. and not exceeding 8 ozs.	Exceeding 8 ozs. and not exceeding 1 lb.	Exceeding 1 lb. and not exceeding 1 lb.		
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
0 2 8	0 5 4	0 10 8	1		

And so on adding 5 Annas 4 Pie for every additional 1 lb.

* Note.—In the following list of Austrian Post Offices in Turkey, those places have been omitted where there are French Post Offices, as correspondence directed to them is ordinarily sent through the French Post Office at Alexandria.:—

Adrianople	Canea	Kustendjie	Roman
Antivari	Cavalla	Lagos	Rutshuk
Bakau	Chio	Larnaka	Seres
Berlad	Durazzo	Phillippopel	Sofia
Botuschany	Fookshan	Piatra	Tehernavoda
Bourgas	Giurgevo	Plojeshte	Venedos
Bucharest	Janina	Prevessa	Valona
Caifa	Jassy	Retimo	Vola
Candia	Jerusalem		

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List of Books now lying at the Dead Letter Office without addresses.

- Griffith Gaunt, Vols. I. and II.
 Friends in Council, Vols. I. and II.
 Short Studies on Great Subjects, Vol. II.
- 2 A Troubled Stream, Vols. II. and III. 2 Weighed in the Balance, Vols. I. and II.
- 1 Field Exercise, 1867.
- 1 Packet containing Photographic Views.
- 1 The Army List.
- 1 Bundle containing Illustrated London News and other papers.
 1 The Retrospect of Medicine, by W. Braithwaite, M.D.

- 1 Children's Prize, 1867. 1 The Christmas Eve Dream.
- Sutton's Amateur's Guide.
 Packet of Patterns of Muslin.
- Do. of Blank Cards.
 Do. of small Pamphlets.
- 2 Army Lists for January 1868.
- Gentleman's Washing Book.
 Leather Pocket Book, without pencil.
- 1 Packet containing sample of coloured Woollen Cloth.
- 1 Calendar for King's College, London, for 1867-68.
- 1 Proceedings of the Royal Artillery Institution, Vol. V.
- 1 The Gospel in Turkey, 1866-67.
 1 Royal School for Daughters of Officers of the Army.
- 1 Leather Pecket Book.
- 1 Oliver and Boyd's new Edinburgh Almanac for 1868.
- 4 Army Lists for 1868.
- 2 Prendergast's Series.
- Belgravia, London Magazine.
 Cassell's Magazine.
- 1 All the Year Round.
- Family Herald.
 Royal Albert, and Illustrated Repertory for 1868.
- 1 Belgravia.
- Chambers' Journal.
- 1 The Secret of the Lord.
- 1 Register of the Members of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons.
- Young Ladies' Journal. Army List for 1868.
- 2 Magazines entitled the "Belgravia."
- 1 Chambers' Journal.
- 1 Pack of Cotton Thread Samples.
- 1 Child's Woollen Cap.

Book Post,-Consequent on an alteration of the postage rates on packets of Books and Patterns or Samples of Merchandize forwarded through the German Postal Union, the following reduced rates will be chargeable on Packets of the above description posted in India, and addressed viá the United Kingdom to those places* in Turkey, Moldavia, or Wallachia, at which Austrian Post Offices have been established, viz:—

For a Packet.

Not exceeding 2 ozs.	Exceeding 2 ozs. and not exceeding 4 ozs.	Exceeding 4 ozs. and not exceeding 8 ozs.	Exceeding 8 ozs. and not exceeding 1 lb.	Every additional ½ lb.		
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p. ·	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
0 3 8	0 6 4	0 12 8	1 9 4	0 12 8		

No packet of patterns or samples must exceed 8 ozs. in weight, and no book packet must exceed 3 lbs. in weight.

The above rates include the Indian inland postage of one anna per 4 ozs.

^{*} Adrianople, Alexandretta, Autivari, Bakan, Berlad, Beyrout, Boluschany, Bourgas, Bucharest, Caifa, Candia, Canea, Cavalla, Chio (Ichesme), Constantinople, Dardanelles, Durazzo, Fookschan, Galatz, Gallipole, Guirgevo, Ibruila, Ineboli, Jaffa, Janina, Jassy, Jerusalem, Kustendjee, Lagos, Larnaka, Latakia, Mersina, Mitylene, Philippopel, Piatra, Plojeshte, Prevesa, Retimo, Rhodes, Reman, Rutshuk, Salonica, Samsoun, Sercs, Sinope, Smyrna, Sofia, Sulina, Tchernavoda, Tenedos, Trebiyond, Tripoli, Tultscha, Valona, Varna, Volo.

Book Post.—The following reduced rates of Postage will be payable on Book and Pattern Packets posted in India and addressed to the United Kingdom viá Southampton and Marseilles:

For a Packet.

	Viâ Southampton.			Viâ Marseilles.		
	Rs.	a.	р.	Rs.	a.	р.
Not exceeding 4 oz.	0	2 5 8	8	0 0 0	4	0
Exceeding 4 oz. and not exceeding 8 oz	0	5	4	0	8	0
Do. 8 oz. do. 12 oz	0	8	0	0	12	0
Do. 12 oz. do. 1 lb	0	10	8	1	0	0
	And so on, adding 2 annas 8 pies for every additional 4 oz.			And so annas for tional 4 oz	ever	

Note. - No packets exceeding 5 lbs. in weight will be received. The above rates include Indian Inland Postage.

Arrangements having been made for the establishment of an Indian Post Office in connection with the Abyssinian Expeditionary Force, the public are hereby informed that Letters and other articles addressed to Abyssinia, for transmission $vi\hat{a}$ Aden by British or French Mail Packets, will be subject to the same conditions and rates of postage as if addressed to Aden.

- 2. Letters and other articles posted in Abyssinia, for transmission viá Aden by British or French Mail Packets, will be subject to the same conditions and rates of postage as if posted in Aden.
- 3. Letters and other articles conveyed by Indian Post from one part of Abyssnia to another, or between Abyssinia and Aden, will be subject to the conditions and rates of the Indian Inland Post.

Eight ounces has been fixed as the excess limit of weight for articles sent from India to Belgaum by Packet Post.

C. A. STUART,

Bombay, General Post Office, 18th March 1868.

Post Master.