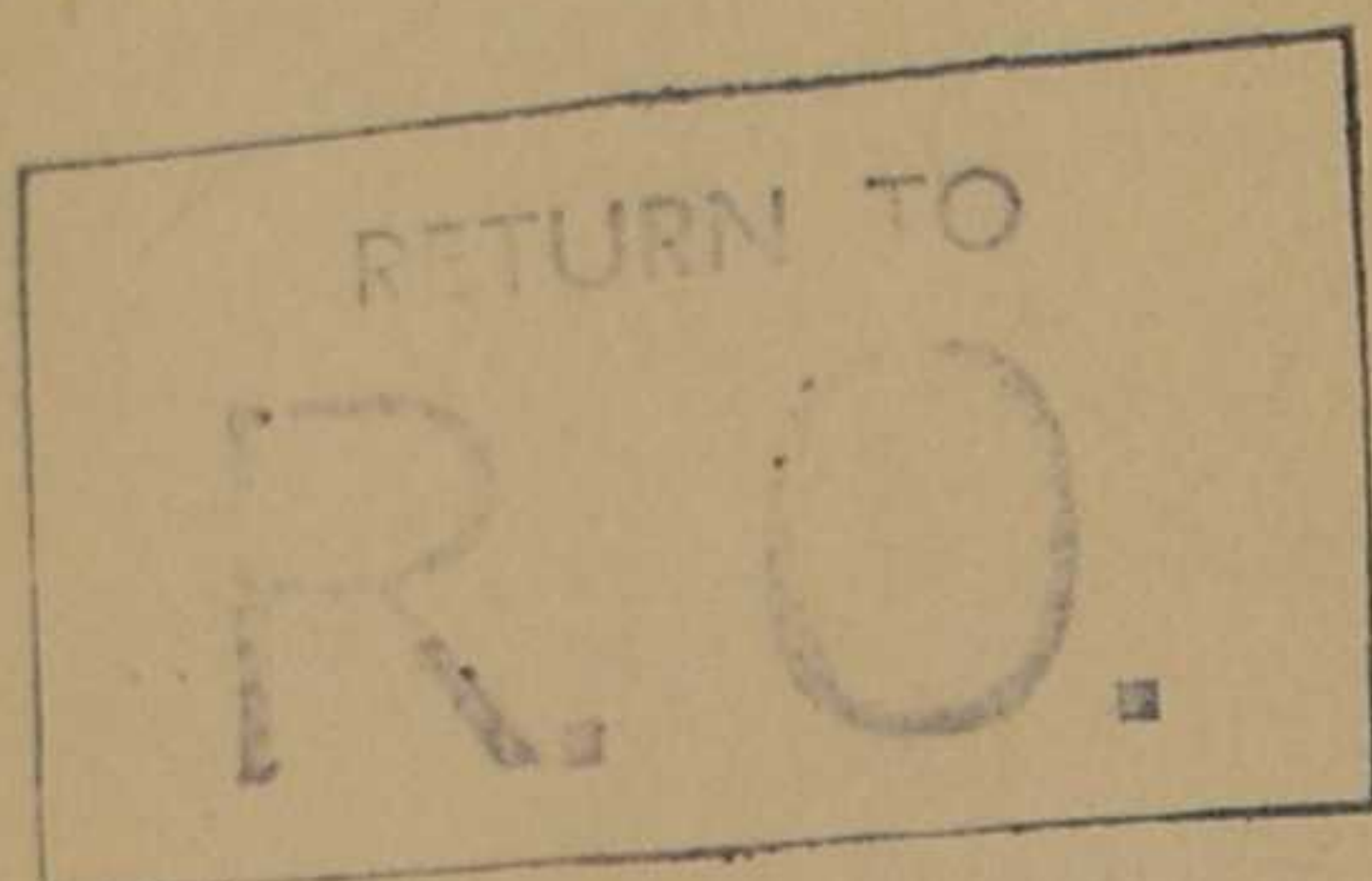


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Drum Majors' Dress Belts and Staves - Royal Marines.

(for reading, see inside)

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1908 and 1925 papers herein, not to be dissociated.

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(Revised—September, 1922.)

FROM WHOM

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MARKINGS TO BOARD.

SUBJECT.

Dress Belts for ~~Drum Major~~

(1) Standardization of pattern.

(2) Replacement of Dress Belt. By Dr.

(3) Renovation of Stave.

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NOTATION ONLY.

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+ 1570/26 re standard stave for Rm Band Service.

+ 1173/29 re standard stave for Rm Divisions

1917/32 New Belts for Charkans Division

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The Colonel Commandant.

HIS MAJESTY'S Royal Marines.

AT Plymouth.

4th April 1925.

DATED

To The Adjutant General.

Royal Marines.

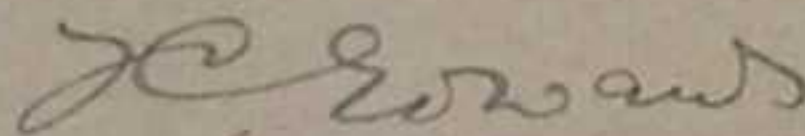
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No. S. 42. / Q1. 57 / 25.

BELTS DRESS DRUM MAJOR.
STAVES DRUM MAJOR.

The attached Board of Survey, together with observations relating thereto, and Form D-273b, on the above mentioned articles is forwarded for consideration please.

2. Approximate Cost of replacement of Belt is not known, but £50 is available under U.C. "A".



Colonel Commandant. R.M.

The Colonel Commandant
Plymouth Division
Royal Marines.

Noted. Action for the replacement of the Dress Belt will be taken through the Director of Contracts. Please cause tenders to be obtained for the renovation of the "Staff" to be obtained from the manufacturers, if known, and also from two of the following firms :-

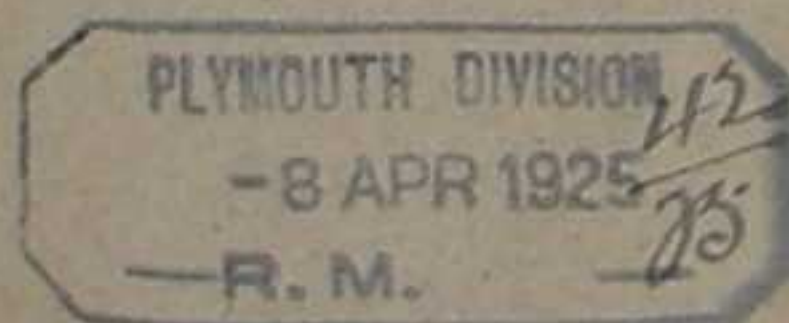
Messrs Potter.
Charing Cross Road,
London W.C.2.

Messrs Hawkes & Son.
Denman Street,
Piccadilly Circus. London W.

Messrs Hobson & Sons.
154 Tooley Street,
London Bridge, London.

Messrs G. Kenning & Son.
16 Great Queen Street,
London W.C.

2. Please cause the Belt and Staff to be forwarded to this Office in due course, the Firms invited to tender for the renovation of the latter being suitably informed as to its disposal for the purpose of inspection.



A. R. H. Hutchinson

Adjutant General R.M.
7th April 1925.

Colonel Commandant,
Plymouth Division, R.M.
2nd May 1925.

5/5/1925.

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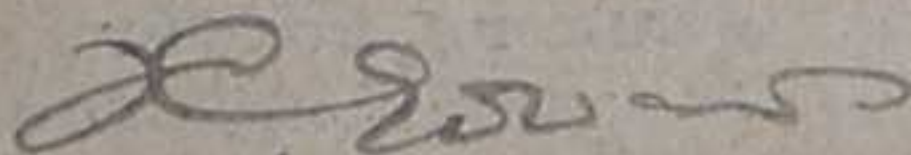
The Adjutant General.

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Three tenders for the renovation of Staff
are attached.

2. The manufacturer is not definitely known
but from an old label found on packing case, it is
believed that Messrs Hawkes & Sons were the makers.



Colonel Commandant.

Plymouth Divn. R.M.

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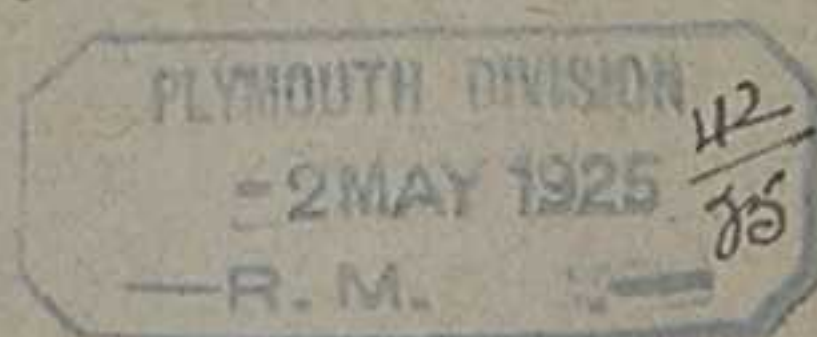
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The Colonel Commandant
Plymouth Division
Royal Marines.

Board of Survey approved and is returned
herewith.

2. The tender of Messrs Hobson & Sons Ltd., is
to be accepted, the firm being informed that the Staff
and case is to be collected from this Office.

3. Enclosures to be retained.



R.D. Donnelly
DAAG

Adjutant General R.M.
1st May 1925.

V.

The Adjutant General,
Royal Marines.

Noted.

R.M.O. 24 MAY 1925

2. Before placing the order attention is invited to
the fact that Messrs Hobson and Sons Ltd., make no mention
in their estimate of supplying new Gold Bullion Cord and
Tassels.

3. Is it to be assumed that they will do this for their
estimate of £5. ?.

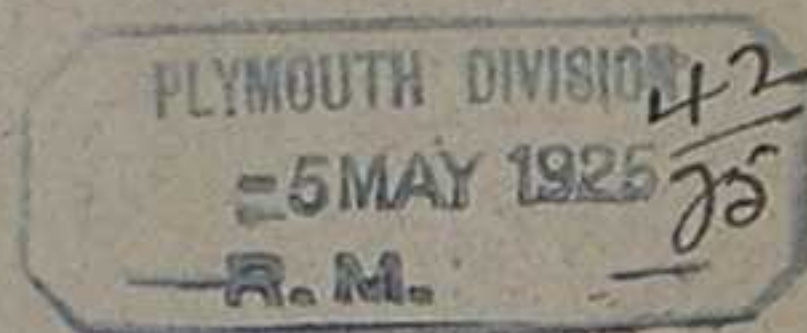
J. Brown

Colonel Commandant,
Plymouth Division, R.M.
2nd May 1925.

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VI
The Colonel Commandant
Plymouth Division
Royal Marines.

Please report whether the attention of the firm in question was called to all the points in connection with this renovation at the time they were invited to tender.



R.D. Dumbley
Adjutant General R.M.
4th May 1925.

No. S. 42/Q1.57/25.

VII.
The Adjutant General.
Royal Marines.

As the Staff was sent to the Royal Marine Office to be available for inspection by experts of the firms invited to tender, attention was not drawn to all the points in connection with this renovation.

2. The tenders of Messrs Hawkes & Potter would appear to cover all the work necessary to make the Staff serviceable. The only doubt is whether Messrs Hobson's tender includes new gold cord & tassels.

H. Sullivan

Colonel Commanding,
Plymouth Divn. R.M.
5/5/1925.

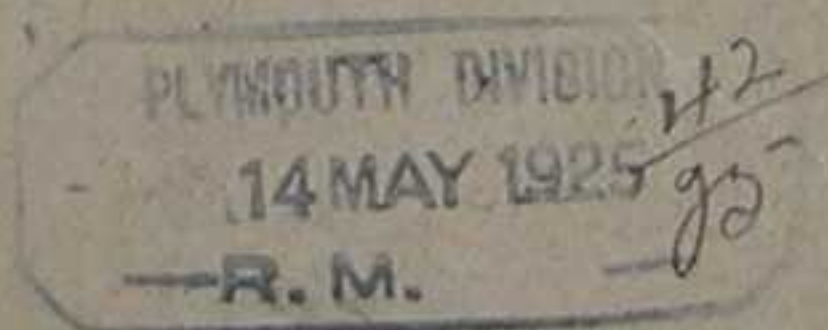
The Colonel Commandant
Plymouth Division
Royal Marines.

Noted. Messrs Hobson & Sons have been afforded facilities to submit a revised tender for the work in question to cover the details not included in the original invitation. The tender is attached for information and is to be accepted.

2. Please cause Messrs Hobson & Sons Ltd to be suitably informed and that the Staff and case should be collected from this Office for necessary action. On completion of the repairs, the Staff should be returned to your address direct from the contractors, observing that instructions were issued for its despatch to this Office for the sole purpose of affording ease of inspection by London firms for estimating purposes.

3. Attention is called to the necessity for indicating to firms invited to tender for repairs, renovations etc., of articles, the exact nature and details of the work for which they are invited to submit estimates.

4. Enclosures to be retained.



A. R. H. Hutchison

Adjutant General R.M.

IX

ADJUTANT GENERAL
ROYAL MARINES

B. 1706/25.P.

CULAR

ADMIRALTY

54 Victoria Street,
London SW 1.

15th April 1925.

DRUM MAJOR'S DRESS BELT

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Please cause the Drum Major's Dress Belt to be forwarded to this Office by Tuesday morning, 21st April 1925, for inspection.. The Belt will be returned without delay.

2. Please also state (a) the date on which the present Belt was originally supplied and (b) the date of last renovation. The relevant correspondence in respect of (a) and (b) is to be quoted.

A. R. H. Hutchison.

Adjutant General R.M.

to :-
Colonels Commandant R.M.
(except Plymouth)

Superintendent, R.N. School of Music.

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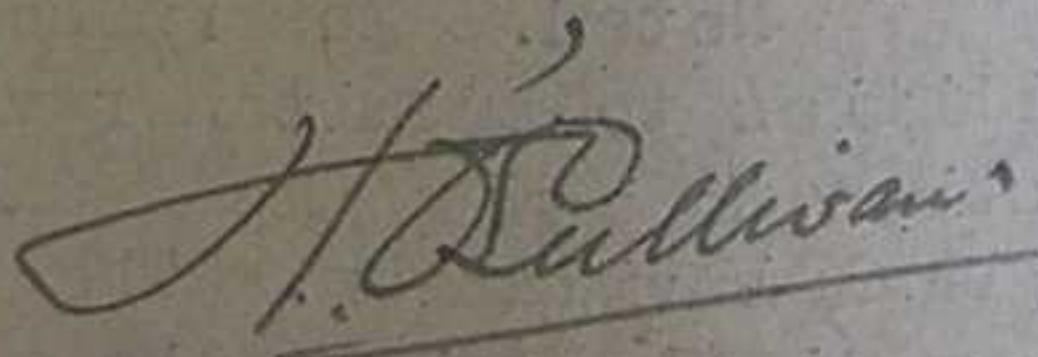
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Royal Marines.

B.M.O. 16 MAY 1925

Paras 1 & 2 noted.

Para 3 noted for future guidance.



Colonel Commanding,
Plymouth Divn. R.M.

15th May 1925.

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BENTLEY'S CODE.

A. HAWKES
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4027 REGENT (13 LINES)

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Hawkes & Son,

DENMAN STREET, PICCADILLY CIRCUS.
London, W.1.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT NO.

REF. NO. 2.

DATE

16th April, 1925.

The Office of -
The Adjutant General,
Royal Marines,
54, Victoria Street,
London, S. W. 1.

Sir,

Reference No. S.42/25/Q1.57/25

We thank you for the privilege of
examining Drum Majors Staff which we now return
to you with compliments.

We are estimating today and no doubt if
the order is placed with us you will receive
instructions for the Staff to be delivered here.

Again thanking you.

We are,
Yours faithfully,

HAWKES & SON.

By A. J. M. Dept. No. 2.

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Hawkes & Son,

DENMAN STREET, PICCADILLY CIRCUS.
London, W.1.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT No.

REF. NO. 2.

DATE

R.M.O. 16 APR 1925

16th April, 1925.

Office of
The Adjutant General,
Royal Marines,
54, Victoria Street,
London, S. W. 1.

Sir,

Reference No. S.42/25/Q1.57/25.

We have received a communication from the Colonel Commandant, H.M. Royal Marines, Plymouth requesting that a tender be submitted for the renovation of Drum Major's Staff with instructions that this Staff can be viewed at your office.

We shall feel obliged if you will permit this Staff to be brought to our Works by bearer to be properly examined and quotation can then be submitted in due course and the Staff returned to you within a couple of hours. By doing this you will oblige

Your obedient Servants,

HAWKES & SON.

By A. F. H. Dept. No. 2.

REFERENCE SHEET.

com.....The Colonel Commandant,
His Majesty's.....Royal Marines,
Chatham.
AT.....
17th April, 1925.
ATED.....

To The Adjutant General,
Royal Marines.

No. S. 1073/25. Q. 1/6/25.

DRUM MAJOR'S DRESS BELT.

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With reference to R.M.O. Circular
No., B.1706/25.P. dated 15th inst, I beg to report that the
Drum Major's Dress Belt has been forwarded per passenger
train this day.

2. This Belt was supplied new on the 28th March. 1923, the metal furniture and drum sticks of the old Belt being utilised on the new Belt. No renovations have been carried out since the Belt was supplied.

3. The relative correspondence is
R.M.O. Minute No. B. 1057/23. T. dated 23rd February, 1923.

Plumage

Colonel Commandant,
Chatham Division, R.M.

No. B. 1706/25.P.

II

The Colonel Commandant
Chatham Division
Royal Marines.

CHATHAM DIVISION

22 APR 1925

ROYAL MARINES

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W. H. M. O. N.
22.4.25

Noted. The decisions arrived at to ensure uniformity in this respect are as stated on the attached enclosure, the alterations being effected when the belt next requires renovation.

2 The belt has been returned to your address this day under separate cover.

3. Enclosures to be retained.

A. R. H. Hutchison.

Adjutant General R.M.
21st April 1925.

III.

The Adjutant General,
Royal Marines.

S. 1073/25. Q. 1/6/25.

Noted for compliance. The Drum
Major's Dress Belt duly received.

R. H. M. O. N.

Colonel Commandant,
Chatham Division, R.M.
24th April, 1925.

Done
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The Colonel Commandant,
His Majesty's Depot R.M.
Deal.
AT
20th April. 1925.

To The Adjutant General,
Royal Marines.

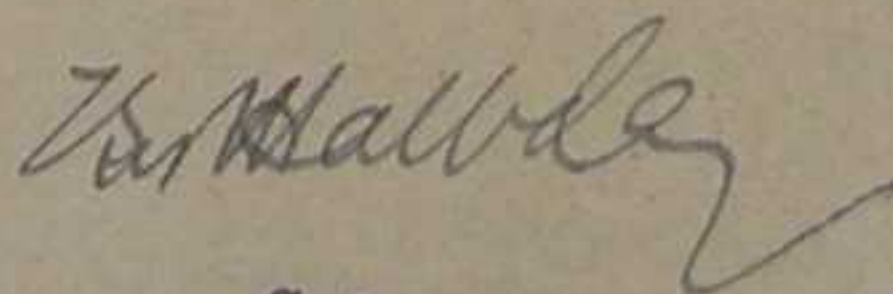
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S.1072/25.Q1/41/25.

DRUM MAJOR'S DRESS BELT.

With reference to R.M.O.B.1706/25.P of
15th April 1925 :-

1. The Drum Major's Belt has been forwarded by
passenger train this day.
2. (a), The date of supply of the present Belt is not
known.
(b). The Belt was renovated in July last. R.M.O.B.
2988/24, of 19th July 1924.



Colonel Commandant, R.M.

No. B. 1706/25.P.

II

The Colonel Commandant
Depot R.M., Deal.

Noted. The decisions arrived at to ensure uniformity in this respect are as stated on the attached enclosure, the alterations being effected when the belt next requires renovation.

2. The belt has been returned to your address this day under separate cover.

3. Enclosures to be retained.

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A. R. H. Hutchison.

Adjutant General R.M.
21st April 1925.

1072/25.Q.1/41/25.

III.
The Adjutant General,
Royal Marines.

Noted. Belt duly received this day.

W. H. H. H.
Colonel Commandant R.M.
Depot R.M. Deal.
24/4/25.

Done
A. R. H.

27-11-25

REFERENCE SHEET.

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COLONEL COMMANDANT,
Portsmouth Division, Royal Marines,
Eastney Barracks, Portsmouth

TO THE ADJUTANT-GENERAL,

Royal Marines,

London, S.W.

10th April 1925. 192

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DRUM MAJOR'S DRESS BELT.

DRUM MAJOR'S DRESS BELT.

With reference to R.M.O. Circular No.B.
1706/25. P. of the 15th April 1925:--

~~R.M. and R.N.S. of Music~~ ^{has} Belts Dress Drum Major
cover this day. been forwarded under separate

2...The R.M. Belt was supplied to Forten in 1911 but it is regretted that the actual date and relevant correspondence are not available. This Belt was renovated 15th December 1922 by Messrs Edward Stilwell & Son Ltd 25/27 Barbican E.C.1. in accordance with recommendation of Board of Survey approved by Adjutant General R.M. 5/12/22.

3...The R.N.S. of Music Belt was supplied on the 24th December 1921 under approval of R.M.O. Papers No.B.2549/21 of 13th January 1921 et seq. No renovation to this Belt has yet been necessary.

J. Clark

Colonel 2nd Commandant.
for Commandant. R.M.

No. B. 1706/25.P.

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The Colonel Commandant
Portsmouth Division
Royal Marines.

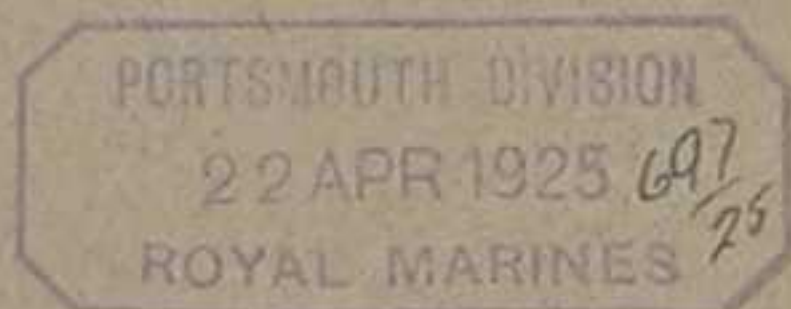
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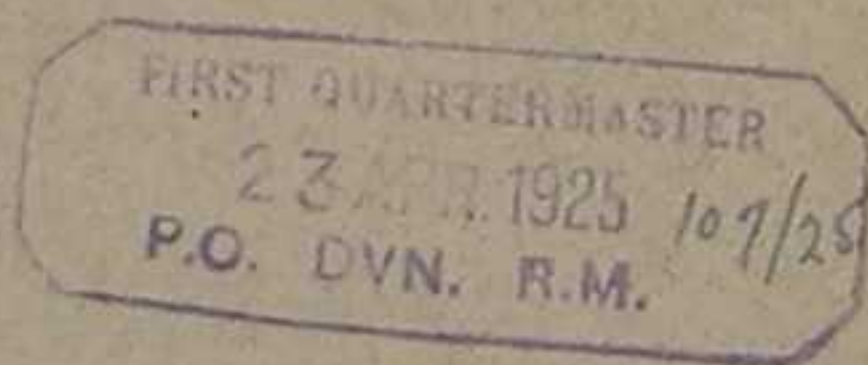
2. The belt has been returned to your address this day under separate cover.

3. Enclosures to be retained.

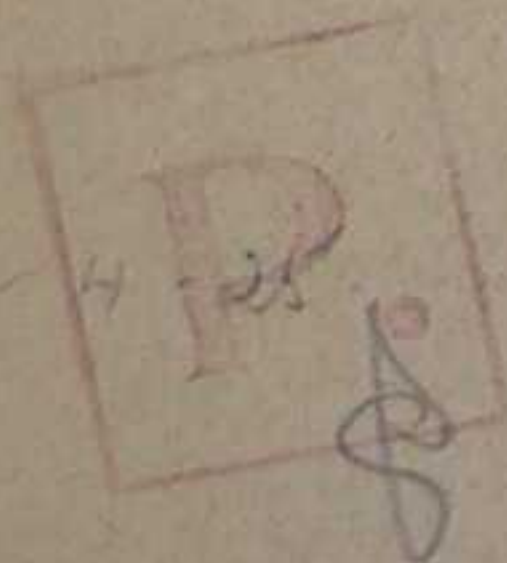


A. R. H. Hutchison

Adjutant General R.M.
21st April 1925.



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(Enclosure to R.M.O. Minute No. B. 1706/25.)

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The Director of Contracts.

21st April 1925.

GIBRALTAR

PER MARK PER TERRAM

To be gold on a blue background.

o. B. 1706/25.P.

BELTS, DRESS, DRUM MAJOR, PLYMOUTH DIVISION RM

four corners.

It is requested that tenders may be *Regimental Colour* (on

obtained for the supply of one Belt, Dress, Drum

Major, to the Plymouth Division R.M.

The scroll "Per Mare Per Terram" is to have a space of half an inch above and 2. In view of certain changes which it is

desired to effect on this occasion, it is requested

that firms invited to tender may be asked to inspect

the pattern in this Office.

ated by:-

Atwell on 23/6/25.

Bolton on 24/6/25.

Adjutant General R.M.

DRUM MAJORS' DRESS BELTS --- STANDARDISATION.

SCROLLS :-

GIBRALTAR
PER MARE PER TERRAM } To be gold on a blue background.

BUCKLE

The bugle and two side crowns to be replaced by "roses" similar to those on each of the four corners.

ANCHOR

To be interlaced with the Cypher "G.R.IV" (as on Regimental Colour).

GOLD LACE

To be "wire".

The scroll "Per Mare Per Terram" is to have a space of half an inch above and below.

The Royal Cypher below the scroll "Per Mare Per Terram" is to be that of the reigning Sovereign, and is to be changed on the demise of the Crown.

A. R. H. Hutchison

Adjutant General R.M.
21st April 1925.

Referred to Mr. Hockley

REFERENCE SHEET.

ADJUTANT GENERAL,

ADMIRALTY, ROYAL MARINES,

54 VICTORIA STREET, S.W. 1.

27th April 1925

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To

The Colonel Commandant

Portsmouth Division

Royal Marines.

Information required, or notified.

B. 1706/25.P.

DRESS BELT, DRUM MAJOR.

With reference to Circular hence No. B. 1706/25.P dated 15th April 1925 and your reply thereto No. S.697/25/Q.1/107/25 dated 20/4/25, it has been decided that the Drum Major's Dress Belt supplied to the R.N. School of Music is to conform to the standard now adopted for other R.M. Establishments, except in the following respect :-

The "Lyre" to be super-imposed on a "Foul Anchor" instead of ~~the~~ the Cypher "G.R.IV".

The necessary alterations will be effected when the belt next becomes due for replacement or renovation.

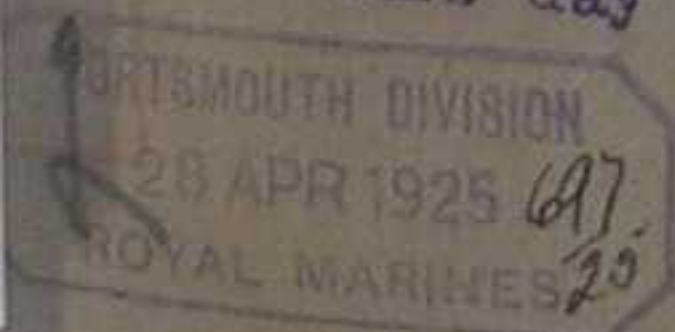
2. It is observed that the present belt appears to have been subjected to exceptional usage and that from its appearance, it is improbable that it will last the period laid down in Store Instructions Art. 299.

3. The belt has been returned to your address this day under separate cover.

A. A. H. Hutchison

Adjutant General R.M.

R.M.O. 2 MAY 1925



Royal Marine Offices,
54, Victoria Street.
S.W.

Sirs,

We shall be glad if you will please hand Bearer
the following:-

Drum Majors Staff and Case
for renovation, as instructed by the Colonel Commanding.
Royal Marines, Plymouth.

We are, Sirs,

Your Obedient Servants,

HOBSON & SONS (London) Ltd.,

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REFERENCE SHEET.

Director of Contracts (Pr.6)

Princes House,
Kingsway, W.C.2

12 June

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To
The Adjutant General
Royal Marines,
54 Victoria Street, S.W.1

R.M.O. 27 JUN 1925

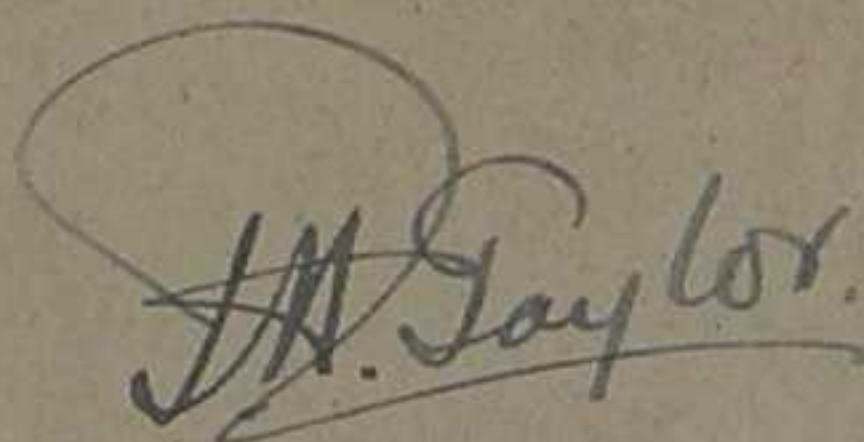
C.P. 18379/25

Information required, or notified.

with reference to your communication of 21 April
 No B1706/25, the undermentioned firms have been invited to
 tender for the Drum Major's Dress Belt required for
 Plymouth Division R.M. and it is requested that their
 representatives may be allowed to inspect the pattern
 belt upon application.

Edward Stillwell & Son Ltd.
 Firmin & Sons Ltd.
 Hobson & Sons Ltd.

18 *Tenders are due on the 25th inst*



Director of Navy Contracts.

J.H. Taylor

A.H.

24/6/25

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The Director of Contracts
(Branch 6)

Princes House,

Kingsway.

26th June 1925.

1706/25.P.

SUPPLY OF DRUM MAJOR'S DRESS BELT
FOR PLYMOUTH DIVISION R.M.

With reference to your Minute No.

C.P. 18379/25 dated 22nd June 1925, one copy of the
latest specification of the Drum Major's Dress Belt is
forwarded herewith for guidance of the contractor
concerned.

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Adjutant General R.M.

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