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READ—the following papers:—

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G.O., No. 444, Educational, dated 12th July 1907.

ABSTRACT.—Declining to approve the payment to Mrs. Atkinson of the contribution of Rs. 7,500 proposed by the Committee of the Lawrence Asylum, Ootacamund, from the funds of that institution.

II

Letter—from the Revd. J. W. FOLEY, Acting Principal and Secretary, Lawrence Asylum, Ootacamund.
To—the Director of Public Instruction.
Dated—Lovedale, the 21st August 1907.
No.—1217.

I have the honour to forward the undernoted extract from the proceedings of the Ootacamund Lawrence Asylum Committee, at their meeting on the 16th instant, for submission to Government.

ENCLOSURES.

(1)

Extract from the Proceedings of the Ootacamund Lawrence Asylum Committee, dated the 16th August 1907.

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Letter—from the Revd. A. W. ATKINSON, Principal, Lawrence Asylum, Ootacamund (on leave).
To—the Members of the Lawrence Asylum Committee.
Dated—the 16th April 1907.

It is with deep regret and pain that I am obliged to submit to you this my resignation of the Principalship of the Lawrence Asylum, but I owe it alike to you, to the schools and to myself for I find that I have not the strength to do the work as I did it for so many years, and as it

ought to be done. I therefore must ask you “to accept” my resignation, with the usual six months' notice, or with whatever period will enable you to make the necessary suitable arrangements for my successor, not less, however, on my own behalf, than four months.

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III

Endorsement N. Ref. on Cur. No. 6240, dated 30th August 1907.

Submitted to Government.

T. T. LOGAN,
Ag. Director of Public Instruction.

Order—No. 588, Educational, dated 7th September 1907.

The Government, in the circumstances now represented, accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Lawrence Asylum, Ootacamund, to grant a bonus of Rs. 7,500 to Mrs. Atkinson in consideration of her husband's long and devoted services to the institution.

(True Extract.)

H. D. TAYLOR,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Committee of the Lawrence Asylum, Ootacamund.
“ Director of Public Instruction.

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NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., No. 588, EDUCATIONAL, DATED
7TH SEPTEMBER 1907.

[SUBJECT.—*Bonus to Mrs. Atkinson.*]

Demi-official from A. Y. G. Campbell, Esq., I.C.S., Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor, to H. D. Taylor, Esq., I.C.S., Acting Secretary to Government, Educational Department, dated Ootacamund, the 18th July 1907.

I am desired to ask you to look up precedents for the grant of pensions and gratuities to ex-officials and servants of the Lawrence Asylum; among the cases are those of Mr. Dene, Principal, before Mr. Atkinson, Sergeant Perkins and Mrs. Boggie. His Excellency also wishes to see the order allowing the payment of a gratuity to the widow or children of Mr. Brown, District Board Engineer, Gódávári, which was passed in 1903. Please send me at the same time the papers relating to the proposal to give Mrs. Atkinson a gratuity.

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3. Papers in the case of Mr. Walker, Coimbatore (1906), and of Mrs. Pinsent (Harbour Trust Board), may also be put up. Also papers relating to Provident Fund, Lawrence Asylum.

H. D. TAYLOR—18-7-07.

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 " " 304 " " 26th " "
 " " 447 " " 11th November 1904.
 G.O., Nos. 127, 128, Marine, dated 13th March 1905.
 G.O., No. 218, Marine, dated 27th April 1905.
 " " 293 " " 25th May "

The reply of the Government of India to letter No. 128, Marine, dated 13th March 1905, had not been furnished by the Marine Department and a very urgent requisition was sent for it on the 24th instant. No reply has been received to the requisition. That department has been reminded yesterday. In the meantime, the papers are submitted to save time.

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K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—31-7-07.

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 Article 915, Civil Service Regulations.
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In a recent case of Mr. Dwyer, Local Fund Engineer, Tanjore, who retired on 30th April 1907, the Government declined to pass final orders until he had actually retired and the fact of his retirement was officially reported. The preliminary enquiries which involved reference to other District Boards were, however, made.

In Mr. Brown's case orders were passed sanctioning a gratuity prior to actual retirement though he delayed retirement pending receipt of orders. The more proper course would have been to have deferred final orders in his case until his retirement was actually reported.

2. Reference is invited to the Hon'ble Mr. Hammick's note on page 21 of the file in Mr. Walker's case where a widow applied for a gratuity which would have been due to her deceased husband, who, however, had been allowed as a special concession to remain on in Local Fund employ for some time after he was 55 years of age.

3. Mr. Pinsent's case is different in some degree from that of Mrs. Atkinson, as That was money paid under contract. in the former case the widow received some Rs. 6,000 from the Port Trust Provident fund. No Provident fund at present exists in connection with the employes of the asylum.
 G. S. F[ORBES].

4. It has been usual to grant gratuities to employes of the Lawrence Asylum on retirement in accordance with the provisions of article 474 (a), Civil Service Regulations.

In 1890 a *pension* of Rs. 20 per mensem was granted to a matron Mrs. Lee on retirement. That appears to be the last case of the grant of a *pension*, which has been refused in other cases, *e.g.*, Revd. Dene, who was given a gratuity of Rs. 5,000.

There is no official application on record from Mr. Atkinson for a gratuity preparatory to retirement. My note of 22nd April 1907 states that Mr. Buckley informed me un-officially that Mr. Atkinson was proposing then to send in his resignation. Mr. Atkinson died on 10th May 1907.

5. It is to be observed that, owing to the good offices of George Simpson, who undertook the duties of Principal without remuneration, Mr. Atkinson was in receipt of full pay while on leave from 17th July to 31st December 1906. He would ordinarily have been entitled only to 3 months' leave on full pay (Rs. 950).

H. D. TAYLOR—31-7-07.

G. S. F[ORBES]—2-8-07.

I understand that this question is about to be raised by the Committee in another form.

I therefore return the file.

A. L[AWLEY]—19-8-07.

From the Director of Public Instruction, dated 30th August 1907, No. 6240.

Please put up papers.

2. What is Mr. Atkinson's pay since his employment and to what extent was it raised on the amalgamation of the Military Female Orphan Asylum?

H. D. TAYLOR—2-9-07.

Papers are submitted.

2. The following statement shows the several stages in Mr. Atkinson's pay, since his appointment*, as Principal of the Lawrence Asylum:—

	RS.
1891 to 1896	700—25—800
1896 to 1901	800
1901 to 1904 (1st October)	800
1904 to 1907 (May)	950

Mr. Atkinson's pay was raised from Rs. 800 to Rs. 950 per mensem in 1904, in consequence of the amalgamation of the Military Female Orphan Asylum with the Lawrence Asylum.
 G.O., No. 605, Educational dated 3rd October 1904.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—2-9-07.

Please see also at page 2 K.W., G.O., No. 444, Educational, dated 12th July 1907, where Mr. Atkinson's leave allowances are set out.

C. A. SOUTER—2-9-07.

The Committee of the Lawrence Asylum requests a reconsideration of G.O., No. 444, dated 12th July 1907, declining to sanction the payment from the funds of the Lawrence Asylum of a gratuity to Mrs. Atkinson in respect of the services of the late Revd. A. W. Atkinson.

The amount of gratuity originally proposed was Rs. 7,500 or Rs. 100 more than the equivalent of 8 months' pay at the rate drawn by Mr. Atkinson at the time of his death. Mr. Atkinson was absent from 17th July to 31st December (or 5½ months) on full pay, the maximum period of absence ordinarily admissible on full pay being three months. There appear to be no special rules on the subject of gratuities applicable to this institution, but the general rule in similar cases is to limit the amount of a gratuity to 9 months' emoluments—*vide* article 474 (a), Civil Service Regulations, and article 260, Local Fund Code.

2. No special grounds of reconsideration are urged, but the Committee encloses *Vide* article 915, Civil Service Regulations. a letter, dated 16th April 1907, from the late Mr. Atkinson applying for permission to retire on six months' notice, or at the least on four months' notice. Mr. Atkinson died on 10th May 1907, or 24 days after submitting his application. The case is not quite the same as that of Mr. Brown, as the latter wanted to go *at once*.

If it be held, on reconsideration, as a special case, that this preliminary application may be treated as sufficient to admit of the grant of a gratuity, the amount of the gratuity is to be determined. In this connection it would seem right to take into consideration the fact that Mr. Atkinson was absent quite recently on full pay for 5½ months, while the rate of salary drawn by him (Rs. 950) dates from 1904 only, the maximum pay of his appointment before that date being Rs. 800 per mensem. Mr. Atkinson's predecessor, Revd. C. Dene, received a gratuity of Rs. 5,000. There seem also to be precedents for the grant of passages home to former Principals and their families; or if it be deemed that the grant of a gratuity, as such, is objectionable in principle, Mrs. and Miss Atkinson might at least be granted free passages to England with a margin for incidental expenses.

G. S. F[ORBES].

But they have settled here and don't want to go to England?

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H. D. TAYLOR—3-9-07.

Mr. Atkinson had not retired and therefore no gratuity was due. The Committee seem to be extremely anxious to undertake, at the expense of public funds, a duty which he himself omitted to do, that is, make in the ordinary way a suitable provision for his wife. For all I know Mr. Atkinson may not have desired to make such provision! Mrs. Atkinson, as I understand, has now settled here and *bought* a house.

2. There would be hundreds of similar cases arising every year if we created a precedent such as this. Government officials die every month just a short time before the prescribed gratuity is due; but however hard the case is, many harder than this, the Government do not allot the gratuity that would have been due if the official had lived a few hours or a few days or a few weeks longer, though he leaves a starving wife and children.

The claim is inadmissible on principle. As in Mrs. Green's case, Mrs. Atkinson's friends must contribute among themselves. It may be a very hard case, but we cannot do as we like with public funds, much as one would like to help her.

G. S. F[ORBES]—4-9-07.

If the Lawrence Asylum was a Government institution, I think we should be debarred by the rules from giving a gratuity. But it is not so and is outside those rules. The responsible managers of the institution desire to give the bonus. There

can be no doubt that Mr. Atkinson was a most zealous and efficient head of the school since 1891 and that his work deserves the recognition proposed. He had definitely resigned though he had not been relieved. On the whole I do not see why Government should oppose the grant proposed by the Committee.

G. S[TOKES]—5-9-07.

Discussed in Council.

Agreed that the Government would reconsider their original decision and would accept the recommendation of the Committee.

A. L[AWLEY]—6-9-07.

A draft is submitted for approval.

H. D. TAYLOR—7-9-07.

I dissent from the decision. Draft may issue.

G. S. F[ORBES]—7-9-07.

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H. D. TAYLOR—9-9-07.

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Station M a d r a s, Dated the 30th August 1907

From (Name) The Hon'ble Mr. T. T. Logan, B. A.,

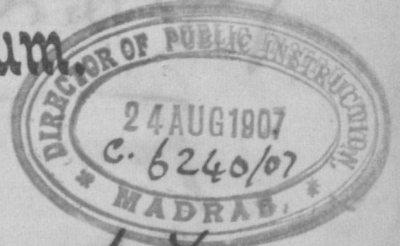
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To the Secretary to the Government of Madras,
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Ootacamund Lawrence Asylum



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N. Ref on Cur No. 6240/G7, d/ 30th August 1907.

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For Director of Public Instruction.

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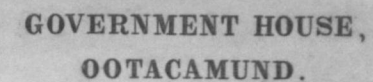
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a & employer for some time after he was
55 years of age.

2. Mr. Puzetti's case is different in some degree
from that of Mr. Atkinson, as in the former
case the widow received some \$3000 from
the Post Trust Provincial Fund. In Puzetti's
fund at present exists in connection with
the employees of the Ogilun.

3. It has been usual to grant gratuities
to employees of the Lawrence Ogilun on
retirement in accordance with the provisions
of act 47 of C.R.

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In 1880 a pension of \$20 per annum was granted
to a native, Mr. Lee on retirement. This
appears to be the last case of the grant of a
pension. - which has been refused in
other cases - e.g. Rev. O. Dene who was
given a gratuity of \$5000.

That was money
paid under contract

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There is no official application or word from
Mr Atkinson for a gratuity preparatory to
retirement. My note of 22.4.07 states that
Mr. Baileys informed me unofficially that
Mr. Atkinson was proposing then to send in his
resignation. Mr Atkinson died on 10th May 1907.

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5. It is to be observed that - owing to the
good offices of Gen Simpson, who undertook
the duties of Principal without remuneration,
Mr Atkinson was in receipt of full pay
while on leave from 17th July to 31st Dec 06
He would ordinarily have been entitled only
to 3 months leave on full pay. (Rs 950)

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31.7.07

H.R. the Governor
Through the Hon Mr Forbes C.S.

G.F.
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I understand that this question is
about to be raised by the Committee
in another form
I therefore return the file
19.8.07

10/8/07
20/8/07

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C. No. 2121, from the D.P.D., No. 6240, 27th 30 August 1907

Please put up papers.

2. What is Mr. Atkinson's pay since his employment and to what extent was it raised on the amalgamation of the M.F. O.A.?

H.D.T.
2.9.07.

Papers are submitted.

2. The following statement shows the several stages in Mr. Atkinson's pay, since his appointment, as Principal of the Lawrence Asylum:-

1891 to 1896 -	Rs 700-25-800
1896 to 1901 -	Rs 800.
1901 to 1904 (1 st October*)	Rs 800.
1904 to 1907 (May)	Rs 950.

Mr. Atkinson's pay was raised from Rs 800 to Rs 950 per. in 1904, in consequence of the amalgamation of the Military Female Orphan Asylum with the Lawrence Asylum.

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2.9.07

Please see also at p. 2 & 14, 50, 444 &c. of 12.7.07 where Mr. Atkinson's leave allowances are set out.

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2.9.7.

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3.10.07

Gave on 4 months notice. Mr Atkinson
 died on 10th May 1907 or 24 days after
 submitting this application. The case is quite
 the same as that of Mr Brown - as the latter wanted to go at once.
 If it be held, on reconsideration,
 as a special case, that this preliminary
 application may be treated as sufficient to
 advise of the grant of a gratuity, the
 amount of the gratuity is to be determined.
 In this connection it would seem right
 to take into consideration the fact that
 Mr Atkinson was absent quite recently
 on full pay for 5 1/2 months - while the
 rate of salary drawn by him (Rs 50) date
 from 1904 only - the maximum pay of
 his appointment before that date being
 Rs 800 per m. ~~Mr Atkinson's~~ Mr Atkinson's
 predecessor, Rev G. Bone, received a
 gratuity of Rs 5000. There seems also
 to be precedent for the grant of passages
 home to former Principals & their families,
 e.g. it be deemed that ~~the rule does not~~ the
 grant of a gratuity, as such, is
 objectionable in principle, Mr Atkinson
 Atkinson might at least be granted
 free passages to England with a
 margin for incidental expenses.

H.W.
 3. 9. 07

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A gratuity is not
 due till retirement
 has actually taken
 place. In this case
 it had not
 S.F.

S.D.
 and

But they have
 settled here &
 don't want to go
 to England?
 S.F.

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W. Alkison had not retired
& therefore no gratuity was
due.

The Committee seem to
be extremely anxious to do
to undertake at the expense
of public funds a duty
which he himself omitted
to do, that is, make in the
ordinary way a suitable
provision for his wife. For
all I know Mr. Alkison
may not have desired
to make such provision!

W. Alkison as I under-
stand has now settled
here & bought a house.

There w^d be hundreds of
similar cases arising every
year if we created a pre-
cedent such as this. Gov-
ernments die every month
just a ~~good~~ short time before
~~the~~ ^{prescribed} gratuity is due: but
however hard the case is, many

harder than this, the prst don't
not allot the p^{ty} that
we have been due if the
offical had lived a few
hours or a few days
or a few weeks longer, too
he leaves a charming wife & children.

The claim is inadmissible
on principle. As in W^{rs} Green's
case, W^{rs} Atkinson's friends
must contribute among
themselves. ~~it is not a case of~~
~~inadequacy~~. It may be
a very hard case, but we
cannot do as we like with
public funds, much as one
w^d like to help her.

G. F.
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For the Lawrence Lyman was a real Institution
I think we sh^d be allowed by the rules from
giving a gratuity. That it is not so and is
outside those rules. The responsible managers
of the Institution choose to give the bonus
There can be no doubt that Mr. A was a
most zealous & efficient Head of the school

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Jan 1891. and that his work shows the
respectful purpose. He had definitely
retired though he had not been relieved
On the whole I do not see why but he
opposes the point proposed by the Committee

5/8/07

Discussed in Council.
Agreed that the Government
Wd. reconsider their original
decision & would accept the
recommendation of the Committee

6.9.07

~~Mr. B. (the 1st. printed)~~

A draft is submitted for approval

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2-9-07

I dissent from the
decision. Draft requires

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9-9-07

Papers to be read in Proceedings :—

Again G. O., No. _____, dated _____ 190__.

Again G. O., No. 444, dated 12th July 1907.

Current No. 2121 From the Good, No. Re 6240 dated 30th Aug 1907.

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the Committee of the Lawrence
Agency, Gotacumel, to grant
a ^{bonus} gratuity of \$7000 to
Mrs. Adurion in consideration
of her husband's long and
devoted service to the
Institution.

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7.9.07

To the Committee of the I. A. Oct 2nd.

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