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EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper:—

Despatch—from His Majesty's Secretary of State for India.
To—His Excellency the Honourable the Governor in Council, Fort St. George.
Dated—India Office, London, the 7th February 1908.
No.—1, Public.

With reference to your telegram of the 23rd April last, on the subject of the visit to this country of Mr. W. H. James, the Professor of Engineering in the Madras College of Engineering, for the purpose of inspecting a number of laboratories attached to technical colleges in the United Kingdom, I have to inform your Excellency in Council that in accordance with your request Mr. James was paid a sum of £29-16-2 in refund of the travelling expenses incurred by him in connection with this duty, and a further amount of £32-11-0 for 31 days' subsistence allowance, to meet hotel expenses while away from his home at Cardiff.

2. It has, however, been pointed out by the auditor that the above mentioned sum of £29-16-2 includes a charge of £15-10-10 in respect of the cost of Mr. James's journey from Marseilles to London and back, and that this amount, which forms part of the cost of his passage, is not properly chargeable as travelling expenses incurred on his special duty.

3. I leave the question whether any recovery should be made from Mr. James, to the decision of your Excellency's Government.

Order—No. 553, Educational, dated 21st July 1908.

Recorded with the remark that no recovery need be made from Mr. James with reference to paragraphs 2 and 3 of despatch from the Secretary of State No. 1, Public, dated 7th February 1908, read above.

(True Extract.)

H. D. TAYLOR,
Secretary to Government.

To the Financial Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., No. 553, EDUCATIONAL,
DATED 21st JULY 1908.

[*SUBJECT.*—*Travelling allowances paid to Mr. W. H. James to visit some of the chief laboratories attached to Technical Colleges in the United Kingdom*]

From the Secretary of State, No. 1, dated 7th February 1908.

On the 23rd April 1907, the Secretary of State was informed by telegram * that Mr. James, Professor of Engineering, College of Engineering, had been deputed to visit some of the chief laboratories attached to Technical Colleges in the United Kingdom; and it was requested that Mr. James might be granted travelling and hotel expenses up to a guinea a day for the period spent on such inspection—*vide* telegram to the Secretary of State on page 5 of the notes connected with G.O., No. 249, Educational, dated 27th April 1907.

2. The Secretary of State now intimates that in accordance with the above telegram, Mr. James was paid £29-16-2 in refund of travelling expenses incurred by him in connection with the inspection of the laboratories, and a further sum of £32-11-0 for subsistence allowance for 31 days to meet hotel expenses while away from his home at Cardiff.

3. The Secretary of State further states that the auditor has pointed out that the abovementioned sum of £29-16-2 includes a charge of £15-10-10 in respect of the cost of Mr. James's journey from Marseilles to London and back; and that this amount, which forms part of the cost of his passage, is not properly chargeable as travelling expenses incurred on his special duty.

4. The Secretary of State leaves the question whether any recovery should be made from Mr. James to the decision of this Government.

5. In letter No. 43, Educational, dated 17th January 1908, the Government of India have been addressed to sanction the payment to Mr. James of the actual travelling expenses incurred by him in proceeding to Europe, in addition to the full pay of his appointment. From the bill submitted by Mr. James, which will be found on page 3 of the original of G.O., No. 711, Educational, dated 21st October 1907, it is observed that Mr. James claims travelling expenses only for his journey from Madras to Marseilles and back and does not claim anything for the journey from Marseilles to London. It does not therefore appear that any recovery need be

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made from Mr. James in respect of the cost of his journey from Marseilles to London and back, if the Government of

India sanction the proposal made by this Government in letter No. 43, Educational, dated 17th January 1908. Submitted that this paper may lie over pending the receipt of India's reply.

T.K.—4-3-08.

K. RANGASWAMI AYYANGAR—6-3-08.

C. A. SOUTER—7-3-08.

H. D. TAYLOR—9-3-08.

The Government of India have forwarded a despatch from the Secretary of State declining to sanction travelling allowance to Mr. James. This reply is submitted separately, together with a draft letter to India requesting to move the

Secretary of State for a reconsideration of his orders. No final decision can be arrived at in this case until the reply of the Government of India is received to the reference which it is proposed to make to them. May this file lie over until then please?

H. D. TAYLOR—15-7-08.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—14-7-08.

C. A. SOUTER—14-7-08.

We are asking that Mr. James should be given the cost of his journey for the entire journey. It was necessary for him to travel overland so as to give him as much as possible of his vacation at home.

Paragraph 3 of the Secretary of State's despatch leaves the matter to the discretion of this Government. We may say at once that no recovery need be made if Financial agree.

H. D. TAYLOR—15-7-08.

Yes. I agree.

M. H[AMMICK]—16-7-08.

I agree.

A. L[AWLEY]—16-7-08.

To the Financial Department.

H. D. TAYLOR—16-7-08.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

This department may, it is submitted, accept the decision in Educational.

C. M. SCHMIDT—17-7-08.

Yes.

J. N. ATKINSON—17-7-08.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Draft please.

H. D. TAYLOR—17-7-08.

The draft order placed below is for approval.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—20-7-08.

C. A. SOUTER—20-7-08.

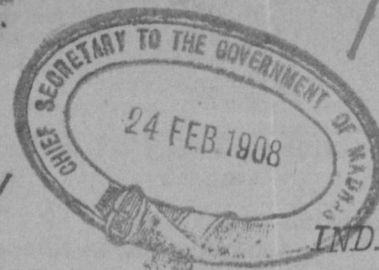
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H. D. TAYLOR—21-7-08.

[G.O., No. 553, Educational, dated 21st July 1908.]

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INDIA OFFICE, LONDON,
7th FEBRUARY 1908.



TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE HONOURABLE THE GOVERNOR
IN COUNCIL, FORT St. GEORGE.



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To the Financial Dept.