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Educational (189) Department.

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G.O., No. 570

Dated 7-8-99

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Declining to comply with the request of
Mr. Woodhouse, Dy Collector, Agency & Co.
Chodavani, to revalue his insurance papers
in the subjects in which he failed
in the Rev + Account Dept. last year.

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Educational (1899) Department.

CURRENT No. 1164

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The Govt regrets to be
unable to comply with the request
of Mr. Woodhouse.

From The Honble Mr. D. Duncan, M.A.
D.Sc. LL.D.
Commissioner for Government
Examinations, Madras

No. 313
2D.

Dated 20 July 1899.

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SUBJECT.

For a precedent, please see
G.O. no. 71 Ed & 3-2-97. Flag - D.

Mr. Woodhouse states that Mr. Henry's
answer papers in Surveying were revalued
but that was in a different examination
and on totally different grounds vide
G.O. no-1163 Public & 14th Sept. 1898.
Flag C.

Submitting for the orders of
Government a letter from Mr.
A.C. Woodhouse, Dy. Collector, Agency
Division, Godavari, requesting
that his answer papers in the subject
in which he failed in the Revenue
and Account Tests, last year, be re-
valued, and recommending that his
request be not complied with.

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Revenue (1899) Department.

CURRENT No.

thro' the Commissioner for
Government Examinations

From

The Board of Revenue,
Land Revenue

Madras

B. No. 336 Ref

Dated 11th July 1899

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SUBJECT.

Submitting for the orders of Govern-
ment thro' the Commissioner for Government
Examinations a representation from Mr. A.C
Woodhouse, Deputy Collector, Agency Divi-
sion, Godavari, requesting that his an-
swer papers, in which he failed at the
last year's Revenue and Account tests may
be revalued.

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Dated 7-5-99.

From A. C. Woodhouse Esquire
Deputy Collector
Agency Division
Godavery, Dist.

The Government Agent
Godavery.

Sir

I have the honor to request
you will be so good as to forward
through the Board of Revenue and the
Commissioners for Government examination
the following representation for the favorable
consideration of Government in the Revenue
and Educational Departments.

I appeared last October at
Rajahmundry

for the Higher Grade Revenue Test
and Account Test. My number was
250. On pages 1 and 3 of the Fort
Saint George Gazette, Supplement,
dated 21st March 1899, I am informed
that I failed in the Account Test
owing to a deficiency of total marks
and as regards the Revenue Test, that
I failed in the Standing orders of
the Board of Revenue.

3 on page 211 Part I-B of the

Fort Saint George Gazette of 19th April
1898 the minima for passing is
stated in paragraph 12 to be one-third
of the maximum marks in each subject
and two-fifths of the aggregate marks
for all the subjects.

Special tests
notification.

4 Admitting that I may have
obtained only a third of the maximum
marks in the Civil account Code paper
I respectfully submit that from the
notes I made of my replies, on comparison
with the civil Service Regulations, after
the Examination, I am entitled to credit
for at least 5.5 marks for this paper,
allowing only one mark for each question.
On the same calculation, I obtained
at least 8.5 for the two papers out of a
required 7.2.
5 Again, from the notes I made after
the Examination in the Standing orders
of the Board of Revenue paper, I
certainly think I ought to be credited
with at least one-third marks.

6 I submit the above not with any
disrespect for the Examiners (a Mohammedan
gentleman, I believe in the case of
the account test and Mr Labouchere
Thornton I.C.S in the standing orders
paper) but because I am anxious
that Government should accord me
the same Commission that was allowed
Mr Heaney I.C.S in the Survey
examination of January 1898. on that
occasion, I think I am correct in saying
Mr Heaney protested against having
been "phucked" in Survey. The President
of the Board of Examiners referred his
answers to some one else with the result
that Mr Heaney was given two additional
marks for one answer and was thus
declared to have passed. I request

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request that the papers in which
I am stated to have failed may be
referred to some one whom Government
may select, with a view to my being
credited with sufficient additional
marks for a pass in both Subjects.
7 Government is aware that these
examinations only take place once
in a year. It may not be aware
that last year was the first year
I had an opportunity for appearing
for the Revenue Test. My anxiety
to be declared to have passed will
be better understood when it is
remembered that I have received
no permanent increase of pay

Since I was made a 4th grade
Salt Inspector on 1-4-96 and that
I have no chance whatever of
working for these examinations considering
that my present charge is 2233
Square Miles in extent involving
more than an ordinary amount of
touring. Further, besides ordinary
Revenue and Magisterial work, there
is a fair amount of civil judicial
work which has no bearing whatever
on the examinations I have to pass.
& I received the Gazette Notification
in paragraph 2 supra when I
was in Camp at Stillipadi at
the end of March. Since then, I have
been busy touring and have only

only lately had an opportunity of
sending to Rajahmundry for the notes
on the examinations which I left there.
Hence the delay in making this re-
presentation.

9 I am aware that the Secretary
to the Commissioner for Government
Examinations advertises that "applica-
tions from unsuccessful Candidates
asking for information as to the Cause
of failure or for a revaluation of
their answer papers will not be
attended to". I can only quote
Mrs. Heavis's case as a precedent
in the Covenanted Civil Service, and
request that a similar Commission

Concession be granted to me, although
I do not belong to the same Service.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant.

(to) A.C. Woodhouse
Dy Collector.

(True copy)

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Forwarded to the Secretary to the
Commissioner of Land Revenue for
favor of orders.

2 I have been unable to find the B.P
relating to Mr Heaney's case but
so far as my memory serves, it is
not on all fours with this. I believe it
was because Mr Heaney was a
mathematician of marks that his failure
in Survey was reconsidered.

(to) J. A. Cumming
Dy Collector
Pharsonapp
Dy Collector

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Office of the Board of Revenue
(Land Revenue)
Dated 11th July 1899

The Honourable Mr. J. Sturrock

of
Read Endorsement, J.A. Cumming Esquire, Acting Collec-
tor of Godavari, D.Dis.No.2344/Rev. of 1899 dated 26th June
1899.

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Reference thereon B.No.336 dated 11th July 1899

The Board submits for the orders of Government
through the Commissioner for Government Examinations a re-
presentation from Mr.A.C.Woodhouse Deputy Collector, Agency
Division, Godavari, requesting that his answer papers in the
subjects in which he failed at the last year's Revenue & Ac-
count tests may be revalued.

2. Mr.Heaney's case referred to by Mr.Woodhouse was dis-
posed of in Government Order, No.1163 Pub: and is not on
14th September '98
all fours with the present one.

Loisel Davidson
Acting Secretary.

To
The Secretary to Government, Revenue Department thro'
the Commissioner for Government Examinations with
the letter in original.

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OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

FOR GOVERNMENT EXAMINATIONS,

Madras, 20th July 1899.

From

THE HON'BLE MR. D. DUNCAN, M.A., D.Sc., LL.D.,

COMMISSIONER FOR GOVERNMENT EXAMINATIONS,

Madras,

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT,

Fort St. George.

SIR,

In submitting for the orders of Government a letter from Mr. A.C. Woodhouse, Deputy Collector, Agency Division, Godavari, requesting that his answer papers in the subjects in which he failed last year in the Revenue and Account Tests, may be revalued, I have the honour to state that, as I can see nothing in Mr. Woodhouse's case that calls for special indulgence, I cannot recommend that his request be complied with.

2. Mr. Woodhouse appeared for two Tests, - the Account Test, Higher grade, and the Revenue Test, Higher grade, and failed in both. In the former test, he obtained 20 marks out of 60 in the Civil Account Code, or just the bare minimum, and 22 out of 60, in the Civil Service Regulations, or only 2 marks more than the minimum. On the whole, he obtained 42 marks out of 120, or $\frac{1}{3}$

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6 marks less than the prescribed minimum. It will be seen that in neither of these subjects did he acquit himself well. In the Revenue Test, Mr. Labouchere Thornton, who was the Examiner, awarded him only 18 marks out of 120 in the Board's Standing orders, the prescribed minimum in this subject being 40. His results in the other subjects are not such as to warrant the inference that the Examiner in this one particular subject must have been unduly or unfairly severe. In Stamp Law and Rules, a comparatively easy subject, Mr. Woodhouse received 34 marks out of 90, or only 4 more than the minimum, and in the Manuals of Village and Taluk Accounts 40 out of 100, or 7 more than the minimum. These results do not show that Mr. Woodhouse was well prepared for the examination, or that he could confidently have expected to pass. I may mention that there is not a single examination held, but I receive from candidates who have failed numerous representations similar to Mr. Woodhouse's. They all believe themselves to have been unfairly dealt with by the examiners and they all wish to have their papers revalued. According to their own valuation of their answers, they ought to have passed, and it passes their understanding how they could possibly have failed. It would establish a most inconvenient precedent if Mr. Woodhouse's request were granted, and as there are other cases indistinguishable from his

his, the same treatment would, in fairness, have to be accorded to all.

3. With reference to Mr. Woodhouse's request that the answer papers in which he has failed may be revalued by "some one whom Government may select," I would beg leave to point out that, under article 3 of the notification, the examiners are appointed by the Commissioner.

4. In addition to what has been stated, I have only to add that, as several months have elapsed since the publication of the results, it is doubtful whether the answer papers have been preserved by any of the examiners. They are not required to keep them longer than a month after announcement of the results.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

your most obedient servant,

J. G. G. G.
Commissioner.

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