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Government of Madras.

Financial DEPARTMENT.

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Dated 12. 03. 1858

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No. 45. From Mr. THOMAS PEACHEY; to the Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 12th March 1858.

SIR,

Desirous of submitting an application for the appointment of 2nd Assistant Accountant General, Madras, "Uncovenanted," as laid down in the Extract Minutes of Consultation, dated 6th January 1858, I have experienced some difficulty as to the quarter to which my application should be addressed.

The 2nd para: of the Minute refers to a "separate Department, under the Government of of India," I have therefore addressed the Private Secretary to the Right Honorable the Governor General, but, as applications for appointments to the new Department to be made in this Presidency will doubtless be referred to the Local Government, I have at once enclosed my application, in order that it may be forwarded to Bengal with such comments as may be necessary, or without them should any such be considered unnecessary.

From Mr. THOMAS PEACHEY; to the Private Secretary to the Right Honorable the Governor General of India, dated 12th March 1858.

SIR,

The Offices of Account throughout India being, as appears from a Resolution of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council, dated 4th December 1857, about to be remodelled and "officers conversant with the business of Accounts" "secured and appointments to vacancies regulated accordingly," I have the honor to offer my services, and to request that you will kindly submit this application to his Lordship the Governor General.

By profession an Acccountant having been with the best known Public Accountants of London, having been brought out to India on the recommendation of Mr. J. E. Coleman of that City, and having had many years practical experience of accounting, I have, I believe, benefitted by opportunities of acquiring a thorough knowledge of my profession, which do not often occur, added to this, I have lately been, and still am engaged in the investigation of the Public Establishments of this Presidency as Secretary to the Commission appointed for that purpose, in the course of which the opportunity has been afforded me of becoming acquainted with the internal economy of every Department of the State, and, in the conviction, that experience of this nature cannot fail to be valuable to the department about to be established, when carrying out the arrangements and adapting and assimilating them to the practice of the several Presidencies, I venture to offer my services to Government.

I will not take up your time by attempting to describe the large amount of work which must inevitably be encountered before the new department can be expected to work smoothly, by enumerating the many difficulties which the contemplated changes involve, or by alluding to the defects in the existing practice, I will simply add that I believe I know what is necessary to be done, and that I think I can render good service in the execution of it, should his Lordship desire to hear more of my qualifications the Honorable Daniel Elliott will be in possession of the opinions of the Honorable W. A. Morehead, the President of the Commission to which I am Secretary, and Dr. Leekie will also be able to inform his Lordship as to the opinion in which I am held in Madras.

The Office I seek is that of 2nd Assistant Accountant General, Madras, Uncovenanted, *Rupees* 800, I am 35 years of age, an Englishman, and have had 15 years' uninterrupted practice of my profession. I look upon the new Department, as described in the Governor General's Minute, as a fine field for practical Accountants, and shall heartily, if the opportunity be afforded me, devote my energies to the development of a system of Account, which I am confident may be so arranged as to admit of the publication of the Accounts, not only in a very much improved form, but also at a much earlier period.

Trusting to your kindness to submit this application to his Lordship at the proper season.

No. 46. TO THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, Financial Department, dated 12th March 1858, No. 179.

SIR,

Referring to para: 6 of my letter, under date the 6th Instant, I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to forward the accompanying original letter, and enclosure, from Mr. Thomas Peachey, applying for the appointment of 2nd Assistant (Uncovenanted) to the Accountant General of Madras.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. A. Wilson.

Disp^d 12^th for first Steamer.

Financial Dep:

No. 179.

To the

Secretary to Govt of India

Financial Dept.

Sir

Referring to para 6 of my letter under date the 6th inst I have now to forward the accompanying original letter and enclosure from Dr Thomas Peachey applying for the appointment of 2d Assistant Surgeon - vacant - on the Establishment of Madras.

I have &c

J P

Fort St George
12 March 1858.

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9/12th March/58.