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Fort Saint George, Financial Consultation, 19th April 1859.

No. 1. From R. B. CHAPMAN, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India; to the Secretary to Government of Fort Saint George, dated Council Chamber, the 25th March 1859, No. 586.

Home Department. SIR,

I am directed by the Governor General in Council to transmit for information and guidance, and for such publication as may be deemed proper, the accompanying copy of a Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, No. 16, dated the 9th February 1859, conceding certain privileges to members of the Civil Service who were sent out to India, in consequence of the mutinies, before the expiry of their furloughs.

From the Right Honorable Lord STANLEY, Secretary of State of India; to the Right Honorable Viscount CANNING, Governor General of India in Council, dated London, the 9th February 1859, No. 16.

MY LORD,

I have had under my consideration in Council your letter dated 16th October (No. 131) 1858, in which you report your proceedings on a memorial from Mr. Octavius Toogood, of the Bengal Civil Service, preferring the following requests with reference to the decision of the Court of Directors, that special arrangements should be made for those of its servants who were ordered in 1857 to return to their duty before the expiration of their furlough:

First.—That he may be placed in a position not inferior to that which he held previous to proceeding on furlough.

Secondly.—That his passage-money from England may be repaid him.

Thirdly.—That he may be allowed his travelling expenses from Calcutta to Monghyr.

Fourthly.—That the time occupied by him in the journey from London to Calcutta may be reckoned as service in India.

Fifthly.—That in the event of his wishing to avail himself of the remainder of his furlough granted to him on the 11th March 1856, that the time occupied in his journey from India to England be also reckoned as service in India.

Sixthly.—That his expenses from whatever station he may be at, to London, may be defrayed on his reaching that city.

2. In connection with the first of the above requests, Mr. Toogood, in a representation addressed to the Lieutenant Governor of Bengal, cited cases to shew that, since his arrival in India, he had virtually been superseded by certain appointments made by the Lieutenant Governor, and Mr. Halliday in his letter to your Government, entered at length into the reasons which had influenced him in making the appointments referred to. This part of the question is sufficiently disposed of in your letter to the Lieutenant Governor; but although it was impossible at once to place Mr. Toogood in a situation equal to that which he occupied before he proceeded on furlough, your Government have adopted a rule applicable to all Civil Servants expressly ordered out from England at the commencement of the mutinies, which will relieve Mr. Toogood from disadvantage in respect to present allowances.

3. Under the rule thus laid down "every Member of the Civil Service ordered out from England before the expiration of his furlough, shall draw from the date on which he was first appointed to act in any office, to the date on which he was or may be confirmed in that office, a special allowance, which, together with his subsistence allowances, shall be equal to the full salary of the office, and his total allowances thus settled shall be regarded as a substantive salary in respect to all deductions made in consequence of leave of absence, whether on account of sickness or otherwise, provided that no Member of the Civil Service thus situated shall receive under this rule more than the emoluments he was drawing at the time when he applied for and took his furlough." In accordance with the intimation given in the second paragraph of the Despatch of the Court of Directors, dated 26th August (No. 116) 1857, I have to signify my approval of this resolution.

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4. The third request of Mr. Toogood, that he may be allowed travelling expenses from Calcutta to Monghyr, you shew to be inadmissible under existing rules, as Mr. Toogood received deputation allowance from the date of his appointment to act as Magistrate of Monghyr.

5. The remaining requests of Mr. Toogood, *viz.*, the second, fourth, fifth, and sixth, you submit for consideration and orders : and you further solicit a favorable consideration of certain specified arrangements with regard to the remaining periods of furlough due to those Members of the Civil Service who were ordered to India before their furloughs expired.

6. With regard to Mr. Toogood's request No. 2, that his passage money from England may be repaid to him, the question of the limit within which the advantage of a free return passage should be paid to Civil Servants and Military Officers returning to their duty in consequence of the mutinies in India, was fully considered at the time, and Mr. Toogood's case not coming within the limit then decided on, I am unable to comply with his application.

7. The fourth and fifth requests* of Mr. Toogood appear to me fair and reasonable; and in accordance with the recommendation of the several members of your Government, I authorize the extension to Mr. Toogood, and to all Members of the Service similarly situated, of the advantages sought in them.

8. With respect to the 6th, *viz.* that the expenses of Memorialist's going from his station to London may be paid to him, I cannot admit that there is any just claim in principle or practice to such an indulgence.

9. I am unable to sanction, to its full extent, your further recommendation relating to the addition which you propose should be made to the unexpired portions of the furloughs of the several officers, in the event of their availing themselves hereafter of the liberty to complete the full period of absence from India, authorized by the Furlough Regulations; I am willing that any officer so situated should be allowed to add to the period of furlough which was unexpired when he returned to India, whatever privilege leave he may be entitled to up to the limit of three months, the period for which accumulated privilege leave may, under the established rules, be now taken in India. But I do not think it necessary to go beyond this, and to grant the greater advantage proposed by you to those officers who may have more than six months of their furlough remaining.

10. The additional period of three months, now authorized, may be allowed to count as service in India.

No. 2.

ORDER THEREON, No. 218; dated 13th April 1859.

Copy forwarded to the Civil Auditor with reference to the letter communicated to him under date 13th November 1858, No. 746, and also ordered to be published in the Government Gazette.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT.

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Chief Secretary.

Exd. A. P. W. Begbie.

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