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Government of Madras.

Financial DEPARTMENT.

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Dated 27. 8. 1859.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department, from 27th August to 2nd September 1859.

No. 3. Read the following letter from G. L. PRENDERGAST, Esq., Accountant General; to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Pater's Gardens, 12th August 1859, No. 158.

1. With reference to the Resolution of Government, dated the 30th ultimo, No. 423, requesting me to state, whether fixed days cannot be appointed for the payment of Civil Allowances and Carnatic Stipends at the General Treasury, I have the honor to report that there does not appear to me any objection to fixed days being appointed for these payments.

2. The 5th and 10th of each month can be appointed for payment, as proposed, to be changed to the days preceding in the event of those days falling on a *Saturday*, Sunday or Holiday.

3. I have added Saturday as one of the exceptional days, because on a reference recently* made to the Acting Sub Treasurer, to ascertain whether there were any, and what objections to fixing Civil payments on Saturdays and Mondays, hitherto looked upon as objectionable days, for that purpose, he reported that he did not see any objection to the Monday being fixed for the purpose, but that "the payment of the salaries on a Saturday would cause considerable inconvenience, and probably necessitate the attendance of part of the Office on Sunday as the preparation of the daily report of the state of the Treasury furnished to you (this† Office) early on Monday morning, is only got ready late on Saturday, and if the salaries were paid on that day the accounts of the Shroffs would not be ready, and the waste book and subsidiary books would not be completed, till 11 or 12 O'clock P. M. (as is the case on Pay day) and it would then be too late to commence the preparations of the weekly returns."

* 1*st Ultimo.*

† *From which the weekly Memorandum, of the state of the Treasury, is prepared in this Office, and submitted to Government every Monday.*

No. 4. ORDER THEREON, 27th August 1859, No. 481.

Resolved, under the opinion expressed by the Accountant General, that the days from which Civil Salaries and Carnatic Stipends will be payable at the General Treasury be fixed henceforth at the 5th and 10th of every month respectively, unless when those days may fall on a Saturday, Sunday or a Holiday, when payment will be made on the day preceding. Thus if the 5th or 10th fall on Saturday, Civil Salaries or Carnatic Stipends will be payable from the 4th or 9th if on Sunday, from the 3rd or 8th—if on a Holiday, from the previous day, the 4th or 9th—when however the Holiday falls on a Monday payment will be made from the following Tuesday the 6th or 11th.

2. The Accountant General will be pleased to submit a draft Notification to the above effect for publication in the Fort Saint George Gazette.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. A. P. W. Begbie.

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To the Acctt General - Dispd 21st

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