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for the month of January 1860.*

No. 1. Read the following papers:—

From the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Madras, on Visitation; to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, Fort Saint George, dated Cottayam, Travancore, 1st November 1859.

I have the honor to forward for transmission to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State and the Honorable the Members of the Council of India, a memorial from Mr. F. Orme, Registrar of the Diocese, praying for a favorable consideration of his claims to a pension, after a service in India of nearly forty years and of seven years' previous service in the India House at Home, with the grounds on which the claim is preferred.

I need only state that the facts mentioned in the memorial are correct and that during my tenure of the office of Bishop of the Diocese for the last ten years, Mr. Orme has fulfilled the duties of Registrar in the most efficient manner and to my entire satisfaction.

I would add that his advanced age and growing infirmities make it needful for him to seek repose from the arduous and responsible duties of his office and I earnestly hope that the strong claims urged by him may meet with that due attention which will always be accorded to their deserving servants by the Council of India.

I would express my earnest hope that your Excellency in Council may be able to give the memorial your weighty recommendation.

(Signed) T. MADRAS.

From FREDERICK ORME, Esq., Registrar of the Diocese of Madras; to the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Madras, on Visitation, dated Coonoor, 24th October 1859.

Enclosed I have the honor to hand you my memorial to the Secretary of State and Council of India, with a request that you will do me the favor to forward it with your recommendation to the Government.

To THE RIGHT HONORABLE SIR CHARLES WOOD, Her Majesty's Secretary of State, and the Honorable the Members of the Council of India.

SHREWETH,

The humble Memorial of FREDERICK ORME,
Registrar of the Diocese of Madras.

1. That your memorialist obtained the office of Registrar of the Archdeaconry of Madras on the retirement of his uncle the late Robert Orme in the year 1820, which office he has held from that date, a period of upwards of thirty-nine years, and he now respectfully solicits your Honorable Council favorably to consider his claim for such pension as you may be pleased to grant for his long services.

2. He would beg to press the consideration from the fact of the salary he has received having been so very small, viz., Sicca Rupees 200 per month, which salary was fixed on the Establishment of the Archdeaconry in 1814 when there were only a few Chaplains and fewer Missionaries of the Church of England, and which salary has never been augmented, notwithstanding that during the period of your memorialist's occupancy, the Presidency of Madras has been erected into a Bishoprick, and the Ministers of the Church of England have been increased from about 25 to more than six times that number, and consequently entailing an increased amount of labour and responsibility.

3. Your memorialist is further encouraged to throw himself on the liberality of your Honorable Council from the fact of his prolonged and continuous residence in India of 43 years, which with seven years' previous service in the East India House in England completes his half century of continuous service and he would in addition point out that the smallness of his income has precluded the possibility of his saving sufficient to enable him to pay even a restorative visit to the invigorating climate of his native country, all of which circumstances he ventures to urge in soliciting your Honorable Council to include and consider your memorialist's services as one of the Uncovenanted Servants of the State in India, in like manner as by virtue of the Des-

documents received from the

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patch of the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, No. 8 of 1859, and dated the 7th April, "The servants of the Supreme Court at Madras are to be admitted to the benefits of the " Rules which have been laid down for the grant of pensions as Members of the Uncovenanted " Service."

And as in duty bound, your Memorialist shall ever pray.

(Signed) FREDERICK ORME,
Registrar of the Diocese of Madras.

Extract from a Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of
State for India, dated 7th April, No. 8 of 1859.

Letter, dated 18th
January 1859, No. 1.

2. Submit memo-
rial from Syed Gho-
lam Dustaghur, late
Persian and Hindoo-
stane Interpreter of
the Supreme Court
praying to be grant-
ed a pension.

3. Request con-
sideration of the
Court's Orders which
debar Servants of the
Supreme Court from
the benefit of the Pen-
sion Rules.

3. After full consideration I have determined
to extend to the Servants of the Supreme Court
the benefits of the Rules which have been laid
down for the grant of pensions to Members of
the Uncovenanted Service, and I authorize the
grant of a pension to Syed Gholam Dustaghur
accordingly upon the production of the usual
Certificate.

3. Copy of this
paragraph will be for-
nished to the Civil
Pension Department
with reference to Ex-
tract Minutes of Con-
sultation in that De-
partment, dated 17th
January last, No. 18,
and also to the Civil
Auditor, and to the
Registrar of the
Supreme Court for
information.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

To the Civil Pension Department.
,, Registrar Supreme Court.
,, Civil Auditor.

(A true Copy.)

(Signed) WILLIAM SERLE,
Registrar.

Referred for the Report of the Civil Auditor.

FORT SAINT GEORGE, }
9th November 1859. }

(Signed) L. FORBES,
Deputy Secretary.

No. 2.

No. 742.
REPORT OF THE CIVIL AUDITOR.

The Civil Auditor has the honor to report, that the authorized official allowance drawn by
Mr. Orme, Registrar of the Diocese of Madras, for the last five years of his service has been
Rupees 213-5-4 per mensem; and that his service extends over a continuous period of 38 years,
10 months and 27 days; viz., from 16th December 1820, to 11th November 1859, and that
under existing regulations Mr. Orme is eligible to pension.

It is to be observed that by virtue of Extract Minutes Consultation, dated 28th November
1855, No. 871, Judicial Department, a sum of Rupees 220-0-0 per month is granted to Mr.
Orme as compensation for the loss of his office as Examiner in Equity. It rests therefore with
the Government to decide whether Mr. Orme can hold a pension in addition to the compensa-
tion allowance which he loses on leaving India.

FORT SAINT GEORGE, }
CIVIL AUDITOR'S OFFICE, }
11th November 1859. }

(Signed) J. L. LUSHINGTON,
Civil Auditor.

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No. 3. From W. WATERFIELD, Esq., Acting Civil Auditor; to L. FORBES, Esq.,
Deputy Secretary to Government, dated 7th December 1859, No. 798.

With reference to your Official Memorandum of the 3rd instant, I have the honor to inform
you that, besides the offices mentioned in my predecessor's report of the 11th ultimo, Mr. Orme
held the office of Deputy Clerk of the Crown in the Supreme Court for 41 years, 1 month and 17
days, viz. from 15th December 1817 to 31st January 1859, and that by virtue of the Secretary of
State's Despatch, No. 8 of 1859, quoted in Government Orders of the 16th May 1859, No. 280,
Mr. Orme is eligible to pension for this service; and that the average official allowances for the
last 5 years of his service (including his compensation allowance, viz., Rupees 220 per month)
were Rupees 608, Annas 5 and Pice 4 per mensem.

No. 4. From the Honorable A. BITTLESTON, Knight, Puisne Justice of Her Majesty's
Supreme Court at Madras; to the Honorable the Governor in Council, &c., &c., &c.,
Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 9th December 1859.

In forwarding to the Government the accompanying application of Mr. Orme, late Deputy
Clerk of the Crown, for a pension, with a view to its transmission to the Secretary of State in
Council for India, I think it due to that gentleman to express a hope that his case will receive
the favorable consideration of the Secretary of State; and of the Government of this Presidency,
where he has been so long known and so much respected.

To the RIGHT HONORABLE SIR CHARLES WOOD,

Her Majesty's Secretary of State, and the Honorable the Members of Council for India.
The humble Memorial of FREDERICK ORME,
for 41 years Deputy Clerk of the Crown of the
Supreme Court at Madras.

SHEWETH,

1. That your memorialist was forced from declining health and strength caused by his long
residence in the exhausting climate of India to ask for leave in the commencement of this year to
reside on the Neilgherry Hills for two years; which necessitated his vacating his appointment of
Deputy Clerk of the Crown of the Supreme Court of Judicature at Madras, which appointment
was conferred on him by the Honorable the Judges of the Supreme Court on the 15th of Decem-
ber 1817, on a salary without fees of Rupees 175 per month, which he has ever since held, making
a total service of upwards of forty-one years.

2. That since his resignation of office he has received intimation that the Right Honorable
the Secretary of State for India has in his Despatch of the 7th April (No. 8) 1859, extended to
the servants of the Supreme Court the benefits of the Rules which have been laid down for the
grant of pensions to Members of the Uncovenanted Service.

3. Your memorialist therefore humbly craves that under the peculiar circumstances of the
case, his lengthened services may be taken into consideration, and such pension as your Honor-
able Council may be pleased to appoint may be granted to your memorialist, notwithstanding his
resignation of office before such decision was known.

4. Your memorialist would further respectfully crave to request that as his health has been
so materially affected by his lengthened residence in India of 43 years, and being now in the
63rd year of his age, the stringent conditions imposed by the Indian Government as the terms of
his receiving compensation for the loss of his income as Examiner of the Supreme Court at
Madras by the Legislative enactment of Act 6 of 1854 may be rescinded, as those terms amount
to a perpetual exile from his native country, being that the rate of compensation of Rupees 220
per month will be continued to Mr. Orme for the loss of his office of Examiner in Equity of the
Supreme Court at Madras, "so long as he remains in India and does not hold office of equal
" emolument and consideration with that of which he has been deprived."—See Minutes of
Consultation of the Government of Madras in the Judicial Department, No. 871, dated 28th
November 1855. And that your memorialist may be allowed to draw such compensation whether

documents received from the

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Memo for order.

The Bishop submits a Memorial addressed to the Secy of State for India by Mr. Orme, Registrar of the Diocese, praying that he may be admitted to the benefits of the Incumbent's Service Pension rules.

The Civ. Audr reports that Mr. Orme is eligible for Pension - that he has served continuously for nearly 39 years - and that his average Off^r Allowance as Eccles^y Registrar for the last 5 years amounted to Rs 213-5-4 p.m.

His memorial entitled Mr. O. to a pension of Rs 106.12.0. p.m.

In 1856. Compensation amounting to Rs 220. p.m. was granted to Mr. Orme in lieu of salary and emoluments derived from the

Office of Examiner in Equity in
the Supreme Court, that Office
having been abolished, such
compensation to be continued
as long as M.O. remained in
India and did not hold office
of equal emolument with that
of which he had been deprived.

- The Civil Audt. submits for
consideration whether M.O. can
draw a pension simultaneously
with his allowance.

- If it be held that he can not,
draw both under the existing
rules (Lt's Despatch to G.O. 207. 8/47.
Fin. Dt. pp. 27. 1891) and that the case
is not 'special' in the sense in-
tended in p. 11. Ch. XX. Civ. Audt's Manual.
orders are requested as to the re-
commendation to be made to
the Home Authorities. He might draw

- If he be permitted to
hold both pension and allowance
it ~~is~~ has to be observed ~~that~~ that
his medical certificate is submitted
as required by the Supernumerary
pension rules. M.O. may claim
good service pension for which
Med. certificate is not necessary,
but in this case it must go
to Calcutta for sanction.

L.S.

The case is in some degree peculiar -
It should I think be referred home & the
fact might be ascertained that in con-
-sideration of the very protracted period
on which he has been serving

extended, he
- but to draw
Regulation
plus the
he now
1/2 the
and
ie. R. $\frac{R213 + R175}{2} = 194$
Aggregate Salary of
Examiner in Equity
R194 + R106 = R300
R300 per ann. - nearly £400
a year - & that whether he is in India
or out of it - but it may be

as well to ascertain first whether he would
be entitled to any pension from his office
in the Supreme Court - He appears in the list as Dep^y
Clerk of the Court - See Phoenix Insurance
Page 300 -

I do not suppose that a Medical certifi-
cate would be required in this case - but
if so the Orme could easily procure one

J.P.

Since the above was drafted, a
further application has been received,
through Sir Adam Bittleson, soliciting
pension for service in the Supreme
Court -

App^l Memo

With reference to the late Civil
Auditor's report dated 11th ult^o No^o
742 the Dep^y Sec^y to Gov^t has the
hon^r to request that the Acting
Civil Audi^r will report what
offices under Gov^t, other than
those mentioned in the above
report, are held by Mr. Orme,
how long they have been held,
and whether, in respect to
them also, pension is allowed
by the rules - Mr. Waterfield
will be good enough to state
Mr. Orme's average official ab-
sences from all sources
during the last five years -
L.S.

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in virtue of the
Office the duties &
which he continued
to perform, it seems
to me that he is
entitled to a Retire-
ment Pension, as a matter
of course, under the
existing Rules, in addition
to his compensation;
and that it would
cause needless
delay & trouble to
refer it home.

It is a case
of daily occurrence
at home.

Wm. Thompson
19 Dec 55

I concur in the above view
Wm. Thompson

Government in this
country for an unbroken
period of 42 years - Taking
into account the 7 years
during which he was em-
ployed in the East India
House in England, he has
completed half a century
of continuous service. He
is now 60 years of age,
and in consequence of
declining health & strength
caused by long residence
in India, is anxious to
retire upon a pension.

2 The average, for
the last 5 years, of his
Official allowances, as Ec-
clesiastical Registrar
of the Diocese, and un-
til recently, as Deputy
Clerk of the Crown in
the Supreme Court, has
been

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been Rupees 388-5-4 per
mensem, the whole of
which is admissible in
reckoning the amount
of pension.

3 In addition to the
above Mr. Orme enjoys a
compensation allowance
of Rupees 230 per month,
which was granted him in
lieu of salary and emoluments
derived from the Office of
Examiner in Equity in the
Supreme Court, that Office
having been abolished from
the date of Act II of 1854
coming into operation.
This allowance was to con-
-tinue as long as Mr. Orme
remained in India, and
did not hold Office of
equal emolument with
that of which he had
been deprived.

Looking

4 Looking to the circum-
stances under which the
additional allowance was
granted, and to Mr. Orme's
length of service and high
character, the Govt. think
that his case may be con-
sidered 'special' in the
sense intended in the Honble
Court's Despatch to the
Govt. of India, in the
Financial Department

No. 7 of 1847. para 28, and
they resolve accordingly to
recommend to the Home
Government that a moiety
of the average of his regular
allowances or (Rs. $\frac{388}{2}$).

Rupies 194, per mensem,
be granted as pension, and
that Mr. Orme be permitted
to retain his allowance of
Rs. 220 per mensem, whether
he

he remains in India or
not.

5 Ordered that Mr.
Orme's Memorials and
the papers above recorded,
together with a copy of
these Proceedings, be trans-
mitted to the Right Honble
the Secy. of State for
India by the next Mail.

JP

Copy to the Right Rev.
the Lord Bishop of Madras.
" to the Honble J. A. Pitt Rivers Esq.
Private Justice of H. M.
Supreme Court at Madras.

11/10/47
Order -
Disptd 14/11