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Financial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
6th June 1860.*

Read the following Proceeding of Government in the Public Department, (Separate) dated 21st May 1860, No. 163.

No. 15. Read letter from CHARLES A. ORR, Esq., Mint Master, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 18th April 1860, No. 462.

Paragraph 1. With reference to the endorsement on a petition addressed to His Excellency the Governor in Council, by Ignacio Mootoo, late Head Engraver at the Mint, directing me to report whether there is any thing in his case that should induce the Government to overlook the grounds on which a pension was denied* to him and to admit him to one as a special case

* *In Proceedings of Government under date 13th March 1860.* I have the honor to state that I cannot discover

on the records, or obtain from any one employed in the Mint any evidence of the Petitioner's performances having been of the peculiar importance and value he claims for them, but there is no doubt that on one occasion he rendered very meritorious assistance to the Department to which he belonged, when (about June 1843) the principal workmen of that Department having struck work the manufacture of Dies would have been suspended, and much loss and inconvenience would have ensued, had he not come forward.

2nd. For this special act, and because he has served the Government faithfully, to the best of his ability, for the long period which would have made him eligible to a superannuation allowance instead of a gratuity, on the failure of his powers, had the constitution of the Mint previous to 1836, allowed of his being borne on its permanent Establishment before that year, I consider the Petitioner's case is deserving of the most liberal consideration of Government with reference to his application for pension.

On further considering the terms of their Order of 13th March 1860, and the circumstances now brought to notice by the Mint Master, the Government are inclined to think that some degree of indulgence may be shown in this man's case.

2. Ignacio Muttu entered the service of Government in 1819, and for 17 years was employed on the Contingent Establishment of the Mint. Thrown out of employ in 1836, on the reduction of the Establishment, he was admitted to permanent employ in 1843, since which or for 16½ years his service has been continuous. Strictly speaking, his period of admissible service falls short by 3½ years of the term prescribed by the rules, but the Government think his earlier service, though on the Contingent Establishment, should go for something, more especially when it is considered that the whole of that period of 17 years was passed, without a break, in one post, and that it would be harsh to class it with that casual or temporary service which is absolutely excluded by the rules. Consideration is also due for the timely assistance this individual rendered in 1843, at a time of difficulty, when a number of the work-people struck work, and, but for his energy and judgment, much inconvenience and loss would have been entailed by the cessation of work in the Die Department.

3. Under all the circumstances, the Government resolve, as a special case, to grant a pension* of Rupees (16-8-0) sixteen and Annas eight per mensem, subject to the approval of the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, to whom these proceedings will be immediately reported.

* *Certificate, No. 2,370.* The gratuity of Rupees (312) three hundred and twelve granted in 1836, must of course be refunded.

5. It is to be distinctly understood that this pension is granted on special grounds, and is not to be brought forward hereafter as a precedent for the grant of pensions when such are not claimable under the ordinary rules.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) L. FORBES,
Depy. Secy. to the Govt.

To the Financial Department.

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6th June 1860.

No. 16.

ORDER THEREON, 6th June 1860, No. 269.

Ordered that the foregoing proceedings be brought to the notice of the Secretary of State for India by the next Mail.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Order thereon. 6th June 1860. No. 269.

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