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Government of Madras.

Financial DEPARTMENT.

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

No. 11. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Public (Separate) Department, dated 30th July 1860, No. 246.

Recommending, under the circumstances, the grant of a retiring allowance equal to ½ his salary to Mr. Jordon, late Head Draftsman of the Lithographic Department, in the Central Office. (Vide Proceedings, Public (Separate) Department, dated 30th July 1860.)

No. 12. ORDER THEREON, 6th August 1860, No. 385.

Ordered that the foregoing Proceedings be brought to the notice of the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.
(Separate.)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers:—

From the Chief Engineer, (dated 17th April 1860.)
From the Military Auditor General, (dated 1st June 1860.)
From the Civil Auditor, (dated 8th June 1860.)
From Mr. J. W. Jordan, late Head Draftsman, Government Lithographic Press, Department Public Works, (dated 25th June 1860.)

ORDER THEREON, 30th July 1860, No. 246

In the first of the foregoing papers the Chief Engineer submits for favorable consideration an application for Superannuation pension in favor of Mr. Jordan, late Head Draftsman of the Lithographic Department in the Central Office.

2. Mr. Jordan has served the Government continuously since 1834, or for a period of 26 years, the whole of which is admissible in counting for pension. Besides this he previously served an apprenticeship of 7 years, thus raising his aggregate service to 33 years. The Civil Auditor however strikes this 7 years from the calculation and thereby brings the term of service below the minimum required for the higher rate of pension.

3. Mr. Jordan submits that there is no rule forbidding the admission of service passed as Apprentice, and that as the Civil Auditor offers no reasons in support of his opinion, he is entitled to the benefit of the doubt. He points to the case of Mr. Hogg, in which the Government granted ½ *pension* for 25 years, *of which 7 were passed in the very grade which is now excluded*, and he finally pleads that, as the malady* which compelled his retirement was brought on by the nature of the work assigned to him, he is entitled to the sympathy and consideration of the Government.

* *Incipient blindness.*

4. Independent of the question whether the 7 years may not be allowed to count as time qualifying for pension, the Government think consideration is due to the circumstances under which Mr. Jordan is compelled to retire. In their Despatch to the Government of India, No. 15 of 1849, replying to an application for a special pension, and declining to permit a relaxation of the rules, the Honorable Court of Directors detailed those exceptional circumstances which could alone be regarded as constituting a claim to special consideration. Among these is mentioned "a sudden termination to official service from a visitation, such as blindness, which wholly incapacitates from every kind of employment." In the present case incipient blindness has necessitated Mr. Jordan's retirement, and the circumstances would seem to justify an application of this liberal reserving clause in his favor.

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5. Application will accordingly be made to the Home Government recommending the grant to Mr. Jordon of a retiring allowance equal to half his official salary, and meanwhile a pension at the lower rate or Rupees 60 per mensem will be passed to him from the 1st May.

(True Extract.)

Dy. Secretary to Government.

To the Chief Engineer.
To Mr. Jordon.
To the Civil Auditor.
„ Financial Department.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

with 2 Statements

Financial Letter to Engd 10th Augt
No. 19 of 1860.

Fin: & Rev Dept.

Pros: of Govt in the
Pub. Dt /Separate/.
No. 246.

Dy. 30th July
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No. 373.

Recommending under the circumstances the Grant to Ba receiving allowance equal to ½ his salary to Mr. Jordan late Head Draftsmen of the Lithographic Dept. in the Central Office.

With an order

Order thereon 6th August 1860 No. 385.

Ordered that the foregoing proceedings be brought to the notice of the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India.