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Government of Madras.

Financial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
for the month of February 1860.*

No. 32. Read the following papers:—

From B. PAUNCEFOTE, Esq., Madras Civil Service; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 22 Kensington Gate, London, 26th December 1859.

The appointment of additional Sub-Collector of North Arcot, which I held when I left India on sick certificate, having been cancelled before the expiration of the two years allowed by the regulations for the retention of office, I was placed on the out-of-employ list, but was subsequently granted the allowance of £500 per annum, payable under clause 3 and clause 6, section VI of the Absentee Rules.

It will be seen by the enclosed copy of a letter from the Civil Auditor to my Agents Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co., that they received the difference between the out-of-employ allowances of my rank, and the £500 per annum above alluded to at an exchange of 2s. 2d. per Rupee, instead of at the rate of Rupees 5,000 per £500, as fixed in clause 3, section VI of the Rules above referred to.

Against this decision of the Civil Auditor, entailing upon me a loss of Rupees 375 or thereabouts, I beg respectfully to appeal.

Extract from a letter of the Civil Auditor, to Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co., of Madras.

With reference to your letter of the 11th instant, I have the honor to observe that as the absentee allowance payable to Mr. Pauncefote is fixed in English currency at the rate of £500, it can only be paid at Madras at the rate of exchange prevailing at the date when payment was made. At the time when your bill for Mr. Pauncefote's absentee allowance from the 10th May 1858, to 30th April 1859, was presented, the exchange was 2s. 2d. per Rupee and at that rate the allowance was passed to you."

(True Copy.)

(Signed) B. PAUNCEFOTE,
Madras Civil Service.

Referred for the report of the Acting Civil Auditor.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

27th January 1860.

No. 33. From W. WATERFIELD, Esq., Acting Civil Auditor; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 31st January 1860, No. 107.

As directed in the Order of Government, dated 27th instant, referring to me a letter from Mr. B. Pauncefote of the Madras Civil Service, regarding the manner in which his allowance of £500 per annum (authorised in the Secretary of State's Despatch, dated 19th January, No. 4 of 1854,) was paid to his Agents at Madras, I have the honor to report that the allowances of absent Civil servants, if drawn in India, are regulated by this office according to the following rule. Those who hold appointments are paid at Indian rates calculated like the salaries of the appointments to which their pay is charged. Thus officers taking leave under clause 3, section VI, receive not less than Rupees 416-10-8 nor more than Rupees 833-5-4 per month. But if they have no Indian appointment and the allowances are chargeable to the Absentee Fund, as in the instance of clause 6 of that section (which comprises Mr. Pauncefote's case) and furlough, the pay is calculated in English currency and converted into Indian money at the rate of exchange at which the India House bills are payable in Madras at the time agreeably to G. O. 12th February 1839, No. 181, Public Department.

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No. 34. ORDER THEREON, 18th February 1860, No. 77.

It is observed that Mr. Pauncefote, who held the appointment of Additional Sub-Collector and Joint Magistrate of North Arcot, originally* obtained leave for 15 months under sections V and VI of the Absentee Rules to proceed to Europe; and subsequently was granted by the Home Government on† four several occasions an extension of leave on sick certificate for six months each time.

* 26th September 1856.

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28th April 1858, „ 22. The above office having been abolished on the 10th May

4th November „ „ 11. 1858, whilst Mr. Pauncefote was absent in England, he was, under the opinion expressed by the Civil Auditor in which the

12th May 1859, „ 16. Government concurred, placed on the out-of-employ allowances of his rank from that date.

2. Mr. Pauncefote appealed against this decision to the Home Government, and the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, in his Despatch, dated 19th January 1859, No. 4, communicated his opinion: "that clauses 3 and 6 of section VI of the Civil Absentee Rules, when read together, provide that a Civil Servant of above 10 years' standing shall, when absent on sick leave, whether his allowances in India amount to that sum or not, in no case receive less than £500 per annum for a period not exceeding three years on the whole." This absentee allowance has accordingly been passed to Mr. Pauncefote.

3. Mr. Pauncefote now appeals against the rate of exchange (2s. 2d. per Rupee) at which the difference between the out-of-employ allowances of his rank and the £500 per annum above referred to was passed by the Civil Audit office to his Agents at Madras, and which he states has entailed upon him a loss of about 375 Rupees.

4. Considering that the leave in question was granted under both clauses 3 and 6 of section VI of the Rules, the Government cannot perceive why the 500£ sanctioned by the Home authorities should be paid to Mr. Pauncefote at a worse rate of exchange than that authorised by clause 3; but as the allowance was granted him in England, they resolve to refer the matter to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India and to solicit instructions for their guidance in this and other cases in which absentee allowance is calculated only in English currency.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

No. 107.

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From

W. Waterfield, Esq.

As Civil Auditor.

To

T. Pycroft, Esq.

Chief Secretary to Government.

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Civil Auditor's Office
Fort Saint George
31st January 1860
C. P. M.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,
Your Most Obedt. Servant.

W. M. M. Field
Of Civil Auditor.

22. Kensington Gore
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st inst. in relation to the appointment of a Sub-Collector of Revenue for the District of Madras, which I held when I left India as Sub-Collector, having been appointed before the expiration of the term of office by the Regulations for the extension of Office I was on the list of employ-
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W. P. P. P.
Madras C. I.

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B. Pannecote Esq.
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J. P.

To the Civil Auditor -
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