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No. 82. Read the following letter from J. L. LUSHINGTON, Esq., Acting Accountant General; to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 16th January 1863, No. 345.

Book and Adjustment Department.

With reference to the Order of Government, Financial Department, No. 859, dated 6th ultimo, communicating to me for report, a Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, No. 73, dated 23rd October last, and the correspondence which accompanied it, herewith returned, on the subject of a deposit made into the Treasury of the Paymaster, Vizagapatam, by Gunner William Seagrove, for remittance to his mother, Mrs. Ann Seagrove, I have the honor to forward herewith, copy of a letter from the Military Accountant, No. 3,382, dated 9th instant, and of its enclosures,* from which it would appear that the sum of £5-16-4 already paid to Mrs. Seagrove, 30th October 1862, and £5-14-0 now claimed, is on one and the same account. The latter sum was calculated by the Officer Commanding 2nd Battalion Royal Artillery, at an erroneous rate of exchange, viz., 2*s.* per Rupee, being the equivalent of the Gunner's original deposit of Rupees 57, this error was corrected in the Military Accountant's Office, and the correct exchange of 2*s.* ½*d.* per Rupee, entered in the Remittance List, thereby making the equivalent of said deposit, £5-16-4, and not £5-14-0, hence no advice was sent for the sum of £5-14-0, for no claim to it exists on the part of the said Gunner Seagrove.

* Officer Commanding 2nd Battery 20th Brigade Royal Artillery, No. 218, dated 23rd December 1862, No. 261, dated 13th July 1861.

From Major C. H. DRURY, Military Accountant; to the Acting Accountant General, dated Fort Saint George, 9th January 1863, No. 3,382.

With reference to your letter, No. 4,968, dated 8th December 1862. and its enclosures,* I have the honor to state that the sum of £5-14-0, claimed by Mrs. Ann Seagrove, and that remitted to England, viz., £5-16-4, and already paid to the above party, appear to be on one and the same account.

* Herewith returned.

2. The single sum of Rupees 57 originally paid by Gunner William Seagrove into the Treasury of the Paymaster at Vizagapatam in July 1861, through the Officer Commanding 2nd Battalion Royal Artillery, was at the time erroneously calculated at the rate of 2 Shillings per Rupee by that Officer, viz., £5-14-0; but on receipt of the Remittance List in this office, the same was calculated at the regulated rate of 2*s.* and ½*d.* per Rupee, as fixed for Non-Commissioned Officers and Soldiers, and entered in the Abstract of Remittances for the month of June, and forwarded to Government on the 24th July 1861.

3. It is evident that Mrs. Seagrove's misconception has arisen from the attested copy of the Remittance give to the party making the Remittance by the Officer Commanding, having been transmitted to Mrs. Seagrove, the rate† of exchange being erroneously calculated therein.

† Rs. 57 @ 2*s.* = £5-14-0.

4. A copy of the reply‡ received from the Officer Commanding No. 2 Battery 20th Brigade Royal Artillery on the subject, is herewith forwarded.

‡ No. 218, dated 23rd Dec. 1862.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) THOS. McGOUN, Lieutenant Colonel,
Controller, Military Finance.

From Captain J. M. MACINTYRE, Commanding No. 2 Battery, 20th Brigade Royal Artillery; to the Military Accountant, Fort Saint George, Madras, dated Waltair, 23rd December 1862, No. 218.

With reference to your Memorandum No. 3,164, and copy of an Order of Government therewith enclosed, I have the honor to state that upon reference to the Books of the Battery under my command, I find the sum of Rupees 57 was remitted to England by the individual marginally noted,‡ therein referred to, and that lists in duplicate with the receipt of the Division

† Gunner William Seagrove, took his discharge to England in April 1862.

Paymaster affixed thereon, were forwarded to your Department by my predecessor in command, Captain, now Colonel Nuthall, in letter No. 261, dated 13th July 1861, copy of which is herewith annexed.

I find in the Records of this Battery, no letter showing that another sum of £5-16-14 was remitted by the man in question, and I am under the impression that the two remittances are but one and the same.

In the copy of letter above referred to, you will observe that the exchange has been omitted, the amount being shown as 57 Rupees, £5-14-0, whereas the present rate of exchange English Currency, this sum would be equivalent to £5-16-4, the amount in dispute.

From Captain F. G. NUTHALL, Commanding B. Company, 2nd Battery Royal Artillery; to the Accountant General, Fort Saint George, dated Waltair, 13th July 1861, No. 261.

I have the honor to forward the accompanying Lists of *bonâ fide* savings of Gunner W. Seagrove of the Company of Artillery under my command, the amount (*a*) of which has been paid to the Paymaster, Vizagapatam, whose receipt is thereunto affixed.

(a) Rupees 57, exchange £5 14 0

A true copy of the List has been given to the Gunner for transmission to the parties concerned in England.

(True Copy.)
(Signed) J. M. MACINTYRE, Captain,
Comg. No. 2 Battery, 20th Brigade R. A.

(True Copies.)
(Signed) C. H. DRURY, Major,
Military Accountant.

(True Copies)
(Signed) J. L. LUSHINGTON,
Acting Accountant General.

No. 83. ORDER THEREON, 27th January 1863, No. 63.

Ordered that the foregoing letter be brought to the notice of the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India with reference to his Despatch, dated 23rd October last, No. 73.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. T. McMootry

No. 3382. Fort Saint George
Military Accounts Office,
9th January 1863.

From,
The Military Accountant,

To,
The Acting Accountant General,

Sir,

With reference to your letter, No. 198, dated 8th December 1862, and its enclosures, returned. I have the honor to state that the sum of £5.16.0 claimed by Mrs. Ann Seagrove, and that remitted to England, viz. £5.16.4, and already paid to the above party, appear to be one and the same account.

2. The single sum of Rupees 57 originally paid by Gunner William Seagrove into the Treasury of the Paymaster at Vizagapatam in July 1861, through the Officer Commanding 2nd Batty. Royal Artly, was at the time erroneously calculated at the rate of 2 Shillings per Rupee by that Officer, viz. £5.14.0; but on receipt of the remittance List in this Office, the same was calculated at the regulated rate of 2 S. 1/2 D. per Rupee, as fixed for non-Commissioned Officers and Soldiers, and entered in the Abstract of Remittances for the month of June, and forwarded to Government on the 24th July 1861.

3 It is evident that Mrs. Seagrove's misconception

misconception has arisen from the attested Copy of the Remittance given to the party making the Remittance by the Officer Commanding, having been transmitted to Mrs. Seagrove, the Rate of Exchange being erroneously calculated therein.

4th A Copy of the reply received from the Officer Commanding No 2. Battery 26th Brigade Royal Artillery on the subject, is herewith forwarded.

I have the honor to be, &c

(Sigd) Thos. Melvin, Lt Coll
Controller, Milty Finance.

(Signd) C. H. Drury, Major,
Military Accountant

No 218.

To

The Military Accountant,
Fort Saint George,
Madras.

Sir, With reference to your Memo; No 3164, and Copy of an Order of Government therewith enclosed, I have the honor to state that upon reference to the Books of the Battery under my Command, I find the Sum of Rupees 57 was remitted to England by the individual marginally noted, therein referred to, and that Lists in duplicate with the receipt of the Division Paymaster affixed thereon, were forwarded to your Department by my predecessor in Command, Captain, now Colonel

(A) Rs 57 @ 2/- = £ 5-14-0

No 218, dd 23d Dec 1862

+ Gunner William Seagrove, Forfeits his Exchange to England, vide Letter dated 18/12/62.

Colonel Nuthall, in letter No 261, dated 13th July 1861, Copy of which is herewith annexed - 3

I find in the Records of this Battery, no letter shewing that another Sum of £ 5-16-4 was remitted by the man in question, and I saw under the impression that the two remittances are but one and the same -

In the Copy of letter above referred to, you will observe that the exchange has been omitted, the amount being shewn as 57 Rs, @ £ 5-14-0, whereas the present rate of exchange English currency, this sum would be equivalent to £ 5-16-4 the amount in dispute

I have, &c

Baltair, 23d Dec, 1862

(Signd) J. W. Macintyre, Capt
Comg No 2 Batty 26 Brig R A

1a/ Rs 57, Exchange £ 5-14-0

No 261.

To

The Accountant General,
Fort Saint George.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward the accompanying Lists of Bonafide Savings of Gunner W. Seagrove of the Company of Artillery under my Command, the amount of which has been paid to the Paymaster Vizagapatam, whose receipt is

is thereunto affixed -

A true Copy of the list has been given to the Gunner for transmission to the parties concerned in England -

Wallair,
13th July, 1861.

Signed F. G. Nuthall, Capt.
Comg B. Co 2d Battg R.A.

True Copy
Signed J. Mc. Macintyre, Capt.
Comg No 2 Battg 20 Bde R.A.

True Copies
(Sgd) C. H. Drury, Major,
Military Accountant

True Copies

J Livingston
Acting Accountant Genl

Comps J.M.

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Fort St. George 27th January
No 1 of 1863.

Book and Adjustment Department.

No 346 Fort Saint George,
Accountant General's Office,
16 January, 1863.

From

J. L. Lushington Esquire,
Acting Accountant General.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government,
Fort Saint George.

Sir,

With reference to the order of Government, Financial Department, No 859, dated 6th Ultimo, communicating to me for report, a Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, No 73, dated 28th October last, and the correspondence which accompanied it, herewith returned, on the subject of a deposit made into the Treasury of the Paymaster, Vizagapatam, by Gunner William Seagrove, for remittance to his mother, Mrs Ann Seagrove, I have the honor to forward herewith, copy of a letter from the Military Accountant, No 3382, dated 9th Instant, and of its enclosures, from which it would appear that the sum of £ 3- 18- 4 already paid to Mrs Seagrove, 30th October 1862, and £ 3- 14 - 11 now claimed, is on one and the same account - The latter sum was calculated by the Officer Commanding 2d Battalion Royal Artillery, at

Officer Commanding 2d Battery 20th Brigade Royal Artillery, No 218, dated 23d December 1862 No 261, Dated 13th July, 1861.

at an erroneous rate of exchange, viz: 2/ per rupee, being the equivalent of the Gunner's original Deposit of Rupees 57. this error was corrected in the Military Accountants Office, and the correct Exchange of 2/0 1/2 per rupee, entered in the remittance list, thereby making the equivalent of said Deposit, £ 5- 16- 4, and not £ 5- 14- -, hence no advice was sent for the sum of £ 5- 14- -, for no claim to it exists on the part of the said Gunner Seagrove.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
J Dunlop
Acting Accountant General

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From
The Acting Accountant General

To the Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort Saint George

Dated 16th January 1863
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No. 50.

Reports on the Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, on the Subject of a Deposit made into the Treasury of the Paymaster, Vizagapatam, by Gunner William Seagrove, and forwards correspondence relative thereto.

Written and Order

Order No 63 of 27th Jany. 1863

Ordered that the foregoing letter be brought to the notice of the Rt. Honble the Secy. of State for India with reference to his despatch dated 28th October last No. 73.

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