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13th April 1864.

No. 21. Read the following letter from Lieutenant Colonel J. CARPENDALE, R. E., Mint Master; to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Mint, 6th April 1864, No. 543.

I have the honor to enclose two bills for extra hours work done in the Mint during the month of February last, and to request that the sanction of Government may be obtained for the Civil Paymaster to pass them. The rate of pay is calculated at 50 per cent. as the additional time daily was 4½ instead of 3½ hours, which entitles to extra payment of 40 per cent. by Order of the Government of India, dated 6th May 1859.

No. 22. ORDER THEREON, 13th April 1864, No. 211.

His Excellency the Governor in Council authorizes the Civil Paymaster to pass the charges incurred in the Mint, on account of the Silver and Copper coinage, for extra work for 24 days in the month of February last, amounting to Rupees (685-10-9) six hundred and eighty-five, Annas ten, and Pice nine, subject to deductions on account of Income Tax.

	Rs.	A.	P.
Contingent	316	8	5
Establishment	369	2	4
Total Rupees	685	10	9

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Mint Master.
" Deputy Auditor and Accountant General.
" Civil Paymaster, with two Bills.

Exd. J. Talloch.

No. 876, dated 23rd Feby. 1864.

From Captain Hector Mackenzie, Secy. to the Chief Commr., C. P., to Col. H. M. Durand, C. B., Secy. to the Govt. of India, Foreign Dept.

I am directed by the Chief Commissioner to submit copy of letter, No. 3, of the 4th current, from the Commissioner of Customs, North-Western Provinces, with enclosures, submitting a proposal to allow Customs Chuprassies while in hospital half pay, for the consideration and orders of His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor General in Council.

2. It would appear that when Customs Chuprassies are in hospital, substitutes are entertained, and these latter necessarily draw the full pay of the sick men. Without special sanction, therefore, there is nothing available for the sick men.

3. The measure now proposed of allowing half pay while in hospital, for any time not exceeding 6 months, on the certificate of the Civil Surgeon that detention in hospital is absolutely necessary, seems judicious as well as considerate, and likely to tend to the improvement of the Department; and the Chief Commissioner accordingly ventures to hope that His Excellency may be pleased to accord his sanction thereto.

4. The Commissioner of Customs suggests that this half pay may be met from savings, and no doubt the amount of saving would cover the charge. But as it would be difficult to check the charges as they occur, by savings actually accrued, I am to suggest that it would be more convenient and answer all purposes, to accord sanction to the disbursement of half pay without insisting on its having any direct or immediate connection with the savings.

No. 3, dated 4th Feby. 1864.

From the Commr. of Customs, N. W. P., to the Secy. to the Chief Commr., Central Provinces.

I have the honor to submit the accompanying copy of a letter, No. 9, dated 25th ultimo, with its enclosure, from the Collector of Customs at Saugor.

2. From Dr. Rice's report it certainly appears inhuman, if not unjust, to refuse any support to Chuprassies of this Department temporarily prostrated by sickness contracted while in the performance of their duty.

3. There cannot be many instances of the nature described by Dr. Rice; but I would beg to propose, for the favorable consideration of higher authority, that, in all such cases, the patient receive half his pay for any time not exceeding six months, that the Civil Surgeon may consider his detention in hospital absolutely necessary.

4. This arrangement will not put Government to more expense than what has been sanctioned for the establishment, and at the same time its efficiency will remain unimpaired. The half salary proposed for the sick Chuprassie whose whole pay will go towards his substitute, will be disbursed from the amount monthly saved and hitherto carried to the credit of Government by temporary vacancies among Jemadars and Chuprassies, &c.

No. 9, dated 25th Jany. 1864.

From the Collector of Customs, Saugor, to the Commr. of Customs, N. W. Provinces.

I have the honor to submit in original a docket, dated 22nd instant, from the Civil Assistant Surgeon, Saugor, and request to be informed whether the men of the Customs Establishment are entitled to a portion of their pay whilst in the Civil Hospital.

Dated 22nd Jany. 1864.

From the Civil Assistant Surgeon, Saugor, to the Collector of Customs, Saugor.

Reports that a Chuprassie of the Customs Establishment in the city was brought to hospital in a dying state last night, and died during the night. On *post mortem* examination, inflammation of the lungs was the cause; he had been ill for several days and dreaded coming to hospital as his pay would be stopped.

There is a man now in hospital for para lysis, his leave will expire in three days, and he says he must leave the hospital or starve, his sickness was contracted while on sentry duty; and for the week that he has been in, he has improved wonderfully.

The Customs Department is alone of all the Government Establishments in refusing medical aid in hospital to its servants. Those of the Saugor part of the line are worse off in this respect than the men at Deorie and Malthone, who have peripatitic Native Doctors, such as they are, to visit them every third or fourth day.

Some arrangement should be made, for humanity's sake alone, to assimilate the Customs with the Police Department, with regard to medical aid in hospital.

The men say if they were allowed an anna a day for their food, they would gladly accept it rather than die of disease, or become cripples all their lives.

No. 124, dated 11th March 1864.

Endorsed by Govt. of India, Foreign Dept.

Forwarded to the Financial Department, for consideration and orders, with a recommendation that the measure may be sanctioned experimentally for one year, the Commissioner of Customs to show the financial results at the end of that period. (To be returned.)

(True Copies)

H. Cocke

Assistant Secy to the Govt. of India.

No. 543

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Fort St. George,
Mint, 6th April 1864.

From

Lieut.-Col. J. Carpendale R.E.
Mint Master

To The Chief Secretary
to Government.

Sir, I have the honor to enclose two Bills for Extra hours work done in the Mint during the Month of February last and to request that the Sanction of Government may be obtained for the Civil Paymaster to pass them. The rate of pay is calculated at 50 per Cent as the additional time daily was 4½ instead of 3½ hours which entitles to extra payment of 40 per Cent by Order of the Government of India dated 6th May 1859.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servt,
J. Carpendale
Mint Master

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From
The Mint Master
To The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort St. George

Dated
Rec'd 7th April 1864
2 Secs.
No. 543

Rs 1823 Rupees two Enclosures.

Encloses two Bills for extra hours of pay in Feby. last and requests that the Civil Paymaster may be authorized to pass them. The pay is calculated at 50 per cent as the extra time was 4½ instead of 3½ hours.
With an Order

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No 211 — 13 April 1864.

His Excellency the Governor in Council authorizes the Civil Paymaster to pass the charges incurred in the Mint on account of the Silver and Copper coinage for extra work for 24 days in the month of February last, amounting to Rs 685-10-9 six hundred and eighty five, Annas ten, and Pice nine, subject to deduction on account of Income Tax.

Contingent —	Rs	316-8-5
Establishment	..	369-2-4
Total	Rs	685-10-9

To the Mint Master
— Dy Auds & Accts General
— Civil Paymaster
with two Bills

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