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Read the following papers :—

No. 14. From the Controller of Military Accounts, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, Fort Saint George ; dated Fort Saint George, 15th February 1867, D.

I have the honor to bring to notice that the Paymaster, Hyderabad Circle, who, as the Paymaster of the Hyderabad Contingent, is in communication with the Authorities at Calcutta, represented that, in Bengal, the official year is observed in regulating the amount of Officers' Family Remittances to England, while the amount is computed according to the calendar year in this Presidency.

Paragraph 80, Page 346, Pay Code.

2. I referred to the Controller in Calcutta, with a view to obtain information regarding the arrangement in the Bengal Presidency, and beg to annex copy of Colonel Atkinson's reply.

Dated 28th January 1867, No. 7624.

3. From a perusal of the orders on the subject, I am inclined to believe that it was the original intention that the official year should be observed in regulating these remittances ; but, however that may be, the fact that the rate of exchange at which these remittances are made is fixed for the official and not for the calendar year, and that all the accounts of the Department are closed on the 31st March, and not on the 31st December, render it very desirable that the practice in this Presidency should conform to that in Bengal, and I request the sanction of Government to the introduction of the Bengal practice from the 1st April next.

From the Controller of Military Accounts, Calcutta, to the Controller of Military Accounts, Fort Saint George ; dated Calcutta, 28th January 1867, No. 7624.

With advertence to the inquiry contained in your letter, No. 893, of the 10th ultimo, I have the honor to state that the official year is observed in regulating the amount of Officers' Family Remittances to England, viz., from the 1st April to 31st March.

2. The remittance for any one quarter may be made in the first month of the quarter ; of the half year, in the fourth month of each half year ; of the three quarters in the 7th month of the year ; or of the whole year, in the 10th month of the year.

3. Remittances of one official year must be completed during the year, and no portion of the authorized amount is allowed to be added to the remittances of the following official year.

Referred to the Financial Department.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
18*th February* 1867.

(Signed) H. MARSHALL, Major General,
Secretary to Government, M. D.

Referred to the Accountant General for his remarks.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
19*th February* 1867.

(Signed) F. BRANDT,
Ag. Under Secy. to Govt.

No. 15. From the Accountant General, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George ; dated Fort Saint George, 25th February 1867, No. 408.

Book Department.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Order of Government under date the 19th instant, referring for my remarks a letter from the Controller of Military Accounts and its enclosure, soliciting the sanction of Government to the introduction of the Bengal practice of regulating the amount of Officers' Family Remittances to England according to the official year, in lieu of the existing practice of computing the amount by the calendar year, and, in reply, to state that the change proposed is one entirely appertaining to the Military Department, in which only such family remittances are made. There is, however, no objection that I am aware of to the Controller's proposal, though, at the same time, I do not exactly understand what benefit is expected to result from

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the adoption of the proposed change, beyond that of establishing uniformity of practice, as the Rolls of Family Remittances now sent by the Military Accountant to England through the Local Government, and which are only monthly, include the savings of Officers ranging from one to twelve months, care being taken that the remittance of each Officer does not exceed one-twelfth of the amount sanctioned in paragraph 80 of the Pay Code if the amount sent is for one month; one-sixth if it is for two months; and so on, up to the full amount or 12 months' savings authorized under the rule above quoted.

No. 16. ORDER THEREON, 7th March 1867, No. 100.

The foregoing letter from the Accountant General will be communicated to the Military Department, with reference to Docket in that Department, dated the 18th ultimo.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Military Department.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

Office of Controller of Military Accounts,
Fort Saint George, 15th February 1867.

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From

The Controller of Military Accounts,
Fort Saint George,

To,

The Secretary to Government,
Military Department,
Fort Saint George.

Sir,

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Ansd —

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Para 80, Page 346, Pay Code.

2. I referred to the Controller in Calcutta, with a view to obtain information regarding the arrangement in the Bengal Presidency, and beg to annex copy of Colonel Atkinson's reply.

Dated 28 January 1867, No. 624.

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I have &c.

(Signed) J. McGown Colr.
Cont. of Mily. Accts.

Office of Conts of Mily. Accts.
Calcutta, the 28th January 1867.
No. 624.

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The Secretary to Government
Fort Saint George.

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3. Remittances of one Official year must be completed during the year, and no portion of the authorised amount is allowed to be added to the remittances of the following Official year.-

I have &c.

(Signed) J. D. Atkinson Lt.
Cont. of Mily. Accts.

Referred to the Financial Department.

Fort Saint George
18th February 1867.

W. Maudslay Major Genl.
Secretary to Government.

To
The Financial Department.

No. 624

Book Department

No 1108

Fort Saint George
Accountant General's Office
25 February 1867

From

F. Lushington, Esquire
Accountant General

To

The Chief Secretary to Government
Fort Saint George

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
E. Ruthnyford
Accountant General

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The Chief Secretary to Govern[t]
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Reports on the introduction of the Bengal practice of regulating the amount of officers Family Remittances to England according to the official year, in lieu of the Calendar year.
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Order thereon 7 March 1867 № 100.

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To the Mily Department dispd 14/3/67