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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department, 15*th August* 1867.

No. 28. Read the following letter from Assistant Surgeon H. E. BUSTEED, M. D., Assistant (and Acting) Assay Master, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Fort Saint George, 3rd June 1867, No. 38.

I beg to submit the following circumstances for the favorable consideration of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.

2. On 17th February 1865 I was appointed by the Government of India Assistant Assay Master of the Madras Mint (vide Government Orders attached), "on the authorized salary of the office," which, upon assuming charge, I found to be a Staff salary of Rupees 350 per mensem, in addition to pay of rank. This in my case, as an Assistant Surgeon, amounted to Rupees 575-12-0 as per margin, and I looked forward upon my attaining the rank of Surgeon, if I still held the Assistant Assay Mastership, to draw the pay of my increased rank, Rupees 374-1-0, plus the Staff salary, or Rupees 724-1-0, as was drawn by Dr. Middlemas in 1847.

	Rs.	A.	P.
Pay of rank..	225	12	0
Staff salary...	350	0	0
Total...	575	12	0

3. Upon the abolition of half batta the pay of an Assistant Surgeon became Rupees 256-10-0, and that of a Surgeon Rupees 415-6-0; accordingly I became entitled from 1st January 1865 to Rupees 606-10-0, as long as I remained an Assistant Surgeon, with the certainty on promotion of drawing Rupees 765-6-0.

4. The Government of India, however, in August 1866, ordered—vide G. O. G. G. annexed—that the pay of the Assistant Assay Master at Madras should, for the future, be consolidated at Rupees 606-10-0; the effect of this ruling apparently is, that I shall be debarred from deriving any benefit from my promotion in rank, which will take place in August next, and it is upon this account that I now address you.

5. In all cases in which the salaries of appointments have been revised and reduced, Government have secured to present incumbents their rights, and the changes made have affected future incumbents only. I trust Government will be pleased to solicit the extension, by the Supreme Government, of this boon to me, thereby securing to me on my promotion the monthly pay of Rupees 765-6-0, should they not be inclined to permit me to benefit by the increased pay granted recently to members of the Medical Department, and allow me to receive the employed pay of my rank, plus the Staff salary of my appointment, together with the house-rent awarded to Officers of my rank holding permanent appointments at the Presidency.

No. 29. ORDER THEREON, 15th August 1867, No. 378.

The Governor in Council resolves to submit, for the favorable consideration of the Governor General in Council, the application made in the foregoing letter by Dr. Busteed, the Assistant Assay Master, that, as a special case, and during his tenure of the office of Assistant Assay Master at Madras, he may be permitted, on being promoted to the rank of Surgeon in the Army, to draw the pay of his rank, Rupees 415-6-0 per mensem, and the Staff salary at present allowed to him as Assistant Assay Master, Rupees 350, making a total of Rupees 765-6-0 per mensem, instead of the consolidated salary of Rupees 575-12-0 per mensem, sanctioned by the Government of India for the office of Assistant Assay Master at Madras.

(Signed) R. S. ELLIS,
Acting Chief Secretary.

No. 30. To the Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, Simla, dated Fort Saint George, 15th August 1867, No. 379.

I am directed to forward the annexed copy of a letter from Assistant Surgeon H. E. Busteed, Assistant (and Acting) Assay Master in this Presidency, requesting that, during his tenure of the office of Assistant Assay Master, he should be permitted, on being promoted to the rank of Surgeon, to draw the pay of his rank, Rupees 415-6-0, and the Staff salary of Assistant Assay Master, Rupees 350, making a total of Rupees 765-6-0 per mensem, instead of the consolidated salary of Rupees 575-10-0 sanctioned by the Government of India.

2. In the letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, dated the 8th August 1866, No. 1849, the authority of the Governor General in Council was communicated to the Assistant Assay Master drawing the sum of Rupees 606-10-0, viz., Staff pay Rupees 350, and pay and allowances as Assistant Surgeon at the old rate, Rupees 256-10-0, on the understanding that the amount should be drawn in one sum as a consolidated salary.

3. It will be seen from Dr. Busteed's letter that he expects to attain the rank of Surgeon in August next, and he points out that he will derive no advantage from this promotion, unless he is permitted, on the same grounds as when a similar question was last raised in 1866, to draw a consolidated salary made up of the pay of his rank as Surgeon, Rupees 415-6-0, and of a Staff salary as Assistant Assay Master of Rupees 350, making a total of Rupees 765-6-0. Dr. Busteed pleads that it is not usual to make reductions in the emoluments of offices, applicable to present incumbents, and trusts that his case may, for the reasons stated, be treated exceptionally.

4. The Governor in Council recommends for the favorable consideration and sanction of the Governor General in Council, and as a special case, the payment to Dr. Busteed, on his promotion to the rank of Surgeon, of a consolidated salary of Rupees 765-6-0 per mensem, being the equivalent of the pay and allowances of Dr. Busteed's rank as Surgeon, and of the Staff salary of Rupees 350, formerly attached to the office of Assistant Assay Master.

(Signed) R. S. ELLIS,
Acting Chief Secretary.

No. 48. Read the following letter from the Acting Mint Master, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated 21st April 1866, No. 346.

I have the honor to request that you will obtain permission of the Government to having Dr. Busteed's name gazetted as Acting Assay Master, from the 3rd of July to 4th of September 1865, whilst he was in charge of the Assay Master's Office, during the absence of Dr. Shaw on privilege leave. He was gazetted as taking and giving over charge on the above dates; but as he has never been gazetted as acting, he loses one month's deputation allowance on that occasion, and again, now he is acting on Dr. Shaw's departure to England, he does not draw his first month's deputation allowance.

Enclosures 2.
One letter from Examiner of Claims.
One letter from Acting Assay Master.

2. This I consider very hard, as Dr. Busteed is a most pains-taking Officer, and I may mention that lately, although he broke his collar bone from a fall from his horse, he did not absent himself one day from office. It was at a time when a large quantity of silver was received from England, and as no other person was at the Presidency competent to assay, all the work at the Mint must have been stopped, and the Merchants had to wait for their money, if Dr. Busteed had absented himself.

From H. E. BUSTEED, Esq., M. D., Acting Assay Master, to the Acting Mint Master; dated Fort Saint George, 21st April 1866, No. 377.

I have the honor to request that you will submit the accompanying letter, from the Examiner of Claims, for the favorable consideration of Government, with a view to the required recognition being extended to me.

2. The circumstances of the case are briefly these:—On applying to the Examiner of Claims for deputation allowance as Acting Assay Master, I learned that my claim to it for the first month was inadmissable, unless under certain conditions, one of which was that I must have already acted in the superior appointment within the twelve months for thirty days without pay.

Vide Gazette, 4th July and 5th September 1865.

3. This condition I fulfilled, having been in charge of the Assay Office from the 3rd July to the 4th September last year, during the absence of Dr. Shaw on privilege leave.

From the Examiner of Claims, Fort Saint George, to the Acting Assay Master, Her Majesty's Mint; dated Fort Saint George, 19th April 1866, No. 511.

I have the honor, with reference to your letter, No. 344, dated 9th instant, to state, by direction of the Accountant General, that, should Government be pleased to recognize that you were in charge of the Assay Office during Dr. Shaw's absence on privilege leave last year, I shall be in a position to admit your claim to deputation allowance, both for the 2nd month you then had charge of the office, and, also, from the date of Dr. Shaw's departure on sick leave to Europe.

No. 49. ORDER THEREON, 25th April 1866, No. 161.

Dr. Busteed having been in charge of the Assay Office from the 3rd July to the 4th September 1865, during the absence of Dr. Shaw on leave, the Governor in Council directs that deputation allowance be passed to him from the date on which he again took charge of the office on Dr. Shaw's departure to England last month.

2. It is not necessary to gazette Dr. Busteed as Acting Assay Master retrospectively.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Mint Master.
„ Examiner of Claims.
„ Accountant General.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department 7th March 1865.

No 11 Read the following letter from E. H. Lushington, Esqre, Secretary to the Government of India, to the Honorable A. J. Arbuthnot, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St George, dated Fort William, 17th February 1865 No 946.

In reply to your letter, No 46, dated the 24th January 1865 I am desired to inform you that the Governor General in Council has been pleased to appoint Assistant Surgeon H. E. Busteed, Civil Surgeon of Cuddalore, to be Assistant Assay Master of the Madras Mint, on the authorized salary of the Office.

No 12 — Order thereon 7th March 1865, No 137.

Communicated to the Mint Master with reference to his letter, dated 11th January last. No 309.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) A. J. Arbuthnot
Chief Secretary.

Transmitted to the Acting Q.M. Master for information.

Mint, 30th April 1865.

(Signed) W. Wilson Lt Col
Acting Mint Master

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department, 6th September 1866.

No. 11. Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Simla, 8th August 1866. No. 1849.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 245, of the 26th June 1866, reporting that the allowances of the Deputy Assay Master of the Madras Mint are:-

	Rs. as. P.
Staff salary	350 . 0 . 0.
Pay and Allowances as Assistant Surgeon at the old rate	256 . 10 . 0.
Total	606 . 10 . 0.

2. In reply, I am desired to state that those allowances are in excess of the consolidated salary of Rupees 575-12-0 per mensem, sanctioned by the Government of India for the Deputy Assay Mastership at Madras, but that the Governor General in council authorizes the continuance of them, on the understanding that they will be drawn in future, not in two separate items, but in one sum, as a consolidated salary.

Ordered that a copy of the foregoing letter be forwarded to the Accountant-General, Madras.

No. 12. Order thereon, 6th September 1866, No. 335.

Communicated to the Mint Master.

(True Extract)

(Signed) J. D. Sim.
Secretary to Government.

(True Copies)

H. E. Hunter
Actg: Assay Master.

Rec'd 15th August 1866 L. R. 28.

No. 35 of 1867

Financial Department.

No. 241-

From Asst. Surgeon H. E. Busteed-In. D.
Apptt. (and Actg.) Assay Master
Dated 3rd June 1867.

FOR ORDERS.

I would recommend Dr. Busteed's representation to the Govt. Madras and support his request that the new rate of salary assigned to the Assay Master shall be considered as an exception to the later rules on the subject.

13 June.

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No. 38.

Fort St. George,
H. M's Assay Office,
3rd " June 1867.

From,

Assistant Surgeon H. B. Bisset M. D.
Assistant (and Acting) Assay Master.

To,

The Honorable A. J. Arbuthnot
Chief Secretary to Government.

Sir,

Para 1. I beg to submit the following circumstances for the favorable consideration of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.

2. On 17th February 1865, I was appointed by the Government of India Assistant Assay Master of the Madras Mint (vide Government Orders attached) "on the authorized salary of the Office" which upon assuming charge, I found to be a Staff Salary of Rs. 350 per mensem in addition to pay of rank. This in my case as an Assistant Surgeon amounted to Rs. 575. 12. " as per margin and I was told forward upon my attaining the rank of Surgeon if I still held the Assistant Assay Mastership, to draw the pay of my increased rank Rs. 374. 1. " plus the Staff Salary or Rs. 724. 1. " as was drawn

Pay of Rank	Rs. 225. 12.
Staff Salary	350. " "
	Rs. 575. 12. "

drawn by Dr. Riddell Memas in 1847.

3. Upon the abolition of Batta, the pay of an Assistant Surgeon became Rs. 256. 10 ", and that of a Surgeon Rs. 415. 6 "; accordingly I became entitled from 1st January 1865 to Rs. 606 10 " as long as I remained an Assistant Surgeon, with the certainty, on promotion of, drawing Rs. 765. 6 "

4. The Government of India however in August 1866, ordered, vide G. O. G. G. annexed, that the pay of the Assistant Assay Masters at Madras should for the future be consolidated at Rs. 606. 10 "; the effect of this ruling apparently is, that I shall be debarred from deriving any benefit from my promotion in rank, which will take place in August next, and it is upon this account that I now address you.

5. In all cases in which the salaries of appointments have been revised and reduced, Government have secured to present incumbents their rights, and the changes made have affected future incumbents only:- I trust Government will be pleased to solicit the extension by the Supreme Government of this boon

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boon to me, thereby securing to me on my promotion the monthly pay of Rs. 765. 6 " should they not be inclined to permit me to benefit by the increased pay granted recently to Members of the Medical Department, and allow me, to receive the employed pay of my rank plus the staff salary of my appointment, together with the House Rent awarded to Officers of my rank holding permanent appointments at the Presidency.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
H. E. Hunstein
Ag. Assay Masters.

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Memorandum regarding the Salary & allowances of Assist. Apoy Masters

Letter No. 584.

Under date the 25. November 1864, it was reported to the Government that Dr. Montgomery's duties as Secretary to the Sanitary Commission having been found incompatible with his officiating as Assistant Apoy Master he was relieved of that appointment, and that Dr. Aitken was appointed to officiate as Assistant Apoy Master, subject to the orders of the Governor Genl. in Council. It was also brought to their notice that Dr. Aitken held the appointment of Superintending Surgeon Hospital & Inspector of Hospitals - & that he was willing to vacate them, if he could be allowed to draw the Building Pay & allowances of his rank, in addition to the Staff Salary of Rs. 350 appointed to the Assistant Apoy

Rec'd 25th November 1864
Recd 4th Dec. 1864
No. 38.
1 Enclosure
Copy
Reports that on the Government of India not fixing the salary & allowances of Assistant Apoy Masters at the Presidencies, he has fixed the same at Rs. 350 per mensem with the allowances of a Staff Surgeon of the 1st class, and the allowances of the rank held by the officiating Assistant Apoy Master.
Forwards for the sanction of the Government of India the accounts of the Assistant Apoy Masters at the Presidencies for the month of September 1864.

Dispatch 25th November 1864
Public Department
Bengal
No. 28
Dated 3rd December 1864
Received 4th January 1865
Answered 11th January 1865
No. 42
24 January 65
7 March 65
26 June 65
6 Sept 65
6-12-Jan
12-3-Feb
20 Aug.
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Agency Surgeonships.

2 In replying to the foregoing letter, the Govr General in Council was of opinion that the work of assaying in the Madras Mint might be done by one Officer - that whilst it was advisable that some arrangement should be made to supply the occasional absence of the Agency Surgeons from duty, it should not be done by keeping a second highly paid Officer for whom there was not full employment.

Letter No 3842 - dated 15th Decr 1864.

3. The Madras Govt: were replied that they agreed with Colo Carpendale & Dr Shaw that the Agency Surgeons ought not to be left without an Assistant, that it would be impossible to arrange without prejudice to the public Service that

Letter 24th January 1865 - No 46.

that one of the Civil Medical Officers at the Presidency shall invariably be an Officer who understood assaying - & that until this was done Govt: considered it would be: extremely difficult to: arbitrary result. It was signified therefore, that in the event of the Govt: of India considering that Dr Aitken would be too highly paid, if he were allowed to draw his fully pay & allowances of his rank, in addition to the Staff Salary, another Officer might be appd. the only Officer available: at: at the Presidency being Assist: Surgeon Bustier Civil Surgeon of Calcutta -

Letter No 946 - dated 27th July 1865.

4 The Govt: of Madras in Council accordingly appointed Dr Bustier to be Assist: Assay Master on the authorized Salary of the Office -

Letter dated 6th June 1866 No 867.

5. In June of the following year (1866)

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a Statement was called for by the Govt. of India of the allowances paid to the Assist. Surgeons which was furnished with letter dated 26. June/66. No. 245. the allowances viz.

Staff Salary ——— Rs. 350.
Pay & allowances as Assist. Surgeon at the old rate — Rs. 256.10.
Rs. 606.10.

6. The Govt. of India observe that these allowances were in excess of the consolidated Salary of Rs. 575-12., but granted authority for their Com: thereon on the ground, stranding that they might be drawn, not in two separate items, but in one sum, as a Com: Consolidated Salary.

7. The Bombay Govt

Letter of 8. Aug. No. 1849.

Letter 5th June/67

Rs. 874.6.
Rs. 350-.-
Rs. 724.1

now submits for favourable consideration, the following circumstances.

That he was appointed Assist. Surgeon in July/65, "on the annual Consolidated Salary of the office." & that he looked forward upon attaining the rank of Surgeon, if he still held the Assist. Army Hospital Ship, the increased pay of his rank, plus the Staff Salary, as was drawn by Dr. Hobbleman in 1847.

Reference is then made to the allowances & sanction of the Govt. of India, which are detailed in paragraphs 5 & 6. of this memo: enclosed, and to the Govt. having secured to present incumbents their rights, when revision & reductions took place.

The Hon'ble Com.
: Chairman

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Memorandum
by the Secy
Allowances
of the Apoth
Apsy Masters

Regd with F 241/
Oct 30. 1867

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Financial Department

PROCEEDINGS of the **MADRAS GOVERNMENT.**

Read the following letter from Apoth Surgeon W. E. Busteed M.D. Apoth (& Actg) Apsy master.
Dated 3rd June 1867. No 38.

ORDER THEREON No 378 dated 15th August 1867.

The Hon'ble N.

The Governor in Council resolves to submit for the favorable consideration of the Governor General in Council, the application made in the foregoing letter, by Dr. Busteed, the ~~Assistant~~ Apsy Master, that, as a special case, and during his tenure of the office of Assistant Apsy Master at Madras, he ~~should~~ may be permitted, on being promoted to the

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16 Dec

To Asstt Surgeon W.E. Busteed M.D.
" the Mint Master

Capt Busteed's Salary

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Financial 1867. Department.

No. 3720.

PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT.

Dated 15th August 1867.

Received

12 Sept
& 2d July
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Financial Department.

No. 379.

To

The Secretary to the Government
of India,

Financial Department.
Simla

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Medical Financial Dept

I think we had better wait for Dr Busteed's explanation of his application

yes. but I do not recollect having seen any call for explanation from Dr Busteed - I knew to what application he was referring from Dr Bidie's letter to Mr A. J. Arbuthnot. WDR

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2. In the letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Departt, dated the 8th August 1866 No 1849, the authority of the Governor General in Council was communicated to the Assistant Assay Master drawing the sum of Rs 606-10-- viz, Staff pay Rs 350 and Pay and allowances as Assistant Surgeon at the old rate, Rs 256-10--, on the understanding that the amount should be drawn in one sum as a consolidated salary.

3. It will be seen from Dr Busteed's letter that he expects to attain the rank of Surgeon in August next, and he points out that he will derive no advantage from this promotion unless he is permitted, on the same

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grounds as when the question was last raised in 1866, to draw a consolidated salary made up of the pay of his rank as Surgeon, Rs 415-6--, and of a Staff Salary as Assistant Assay Master of Rs 350, making a total of Rs 765-6--. Dr Busteed pleads that it is not usual to make reductions in the emoluments of offices, applicable to present incumbents, and trusts that his case may, for the reasons stated, be treated exceptionally.

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Dr Busteed, on his promotion to the rank of Surgeon, of a consolidated salary of Rs 765-6 - per mensem, being the equivalent of the pay and allowances of Dr Busteed's rank as Surgeon, and of the Staff Salary of Rs 350 formerly attached to the Office of Assistant Assay Master

Fort St. George
15th August 1860

"y dear Colonel Cadendale.

I am directed to send to
you the two communications
which I enclose.

You will observe that one is
addressed officially by Dr
Bellew to Dr Bartlett and
that it was returned to
Dr Bellew. The other is addressed
written privately to the

Chief Secretary. The Government wish to be informed if Dr Bellew is correct in stating that Dr Busteed is habitually irregular in his attendance at his office. I am also to request that you will

give your opinion, state whether, in your opinion, the work of the Assay Office has been delayed or has in any degree suffered by any neglect on the part of Dr Busteed since he has been employed in that office.

Believe me
Yours very truly
R Kane

9th aug. 1911

My dear Ellis

It occurs to me to suggest a circumstance which might perhaps with propriety be mentioned to the Government port-case in connection with the "assay office case" – pg 3. 3 or 4 months ago I recommended to Govt a change in the method of assay so as to assimilate the process in the Madras Mint with that in

use in Calcutta + Bombay
in that Communication
I officially suggested such
how little would be had
to do in consequence of the
then small importation
of bullion - & I urged that
therefore it would be a good
time to raise the Office
into the new process —
This will show that as
far as I was concerned
I had no wish that my
appointment should cease

— be a temporary one.
— That I was anxious to
know his opinion whether
it would be
— at his suggestion & his
Lord Treasurer — —
The letter I alluded to
is in print - with his Lord.
order thereon dated only
"17th June 17." Yours
W. Portland

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To
The Secy. to the Govt.
of India

No 490

Dated 15 August 1867.