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No. 183.

FROM

THE HONORABLE R. S. ELLIS, C. B.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to forward to you, for the purpose of being laid before His Excellency the Governor General in Council, and for transmission to the Secretary of State, the accompanying papers relative to the grant of pension to Mr. H. Smith, late Superintendent of the Press of this Government.

2. Mr. Smith was in the Government service from the 21st March 1848, and up to his departure for England on Medical Certificate in 1866, was continuously employed. His service, exclusive of leave, thus amounts to 17 years, 10 months, and 22 days. His salary for the five years preceding the close of his service was on an average Rupees 648-10-1, and he was certified on the 15th August last, by the Medical Board of the India Office, to be unfit to return to India and further duty. In their Proceedings No 87 of the 30th ultimo, the Government have granted Mr. Smith a pension of £200 a year, to which under the rules he is eligible.

3. But Mr. Smith asks that his services to Government may be specially noticed by the grant of an enhanced pension. He has served the Government for more than 18 years, and has during that time virtually created the system of Government printing, which has so greatly facilitated the operations of Government while materially reducing its office expenditure. When he joined the Government Press in 1852, it was a small establishment costing Rupees 700 per mensem, occupied chiefly in printing the Government Gazette. When he went Home on sick leave in 1866, the whole of the printing of the Proceedings of Government in all its departments, and of the Board of Revenue, the Job-work of 119 public offices, and the *Fort Saint George Gazette*, was executed at the Government Press, and the cost of the establishment was Rupees 8528 per mensem.

4. In addition to the labor involved in organizing this large establishment and effectually controlling it, which Mr. Smith did with remarkable success, he greatly aided the establishment of the district presses throughout the Madras Presidency. One of the latest services rendered by Mr. Smith was the introduction, under many difficulties, of the system of piece-work into the Government Printing Office, which has greatly added to the efficiency and economy of the establishment. Mr. Smith's great efficiency and the energy with which he performed his difficult duties have been repeatedly acknowledged by the Madras Government. An increase to Mr. Smith's salary was strongly recommended in 1859, but would seem to have been overlooked by the Home Government, and it was not until 1862 that his salary was raised to Rupees 550 per mensem, with a yearly increase of Rupees 50 till it reached Rupees 700. Mr. Smith only drew his full salary from the 1st May 1865, and was for sometime drawing less pay than was received by his immediate subordinate, the Deputy Superintendent, under covenant.

5. Under these circumstances, I am directed to state that the Governor in Council desires most strongly to recommend that, as a special case, Mr. Smith be permitted to receive a pension of £250 per annum from the date of his retirement, being not quite equal to one-third his average salary for the last five years of his service. In making this recommendation I am to remark, the Government of Madras have in view the fact that Mr. Smith's services were of no ordinary kind, and that they merit the fullest recognition.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
4th April 1868.

Chief Secretary.

Proceedings of Government, Pension Department.

Read the following letter from the Supervisor of the Government Press, to the Accountant General, Fort Saint George ; dated Fort Saint George, 29th January 1868.

I have the honor to forward, herewith, an application for pension on behalf of Mr. H. Smith, late Superintendent of the Government Press.

2. Mr. Smith is eligible, under the existing rules, to no higher pension than Rupees 2000 per annum, his service not amounting to 25 years, or his salary to Rupees 1000. According to the ordinary one-third principle, he would be eligible to a monthly pension of Rupees 218-11-1, or Rupees 2624-5-0 per annum, and I have much pleasure in requesting that this pension may be awarded him.

3. Mr. Smith was practically the founder of the Government Press, and to him is mainly due the extensive saving of labor by printing throughout the Government Offices, while in carrying out this object he met with much opposition and obloquy. His position was essentially different from that of an Officer entering on charge of an office ready-made to hand ; and I think that great credit is due to his untiring energy.

4. He is also, I believe, right in saying that his full salary was not given to him until three years after it was agreed upon by the Government ; and he was, at one time, drawing lower pay than his subordinate, the Deputy Superintendent.

We certify, after having taken the usual obligation, to have carefully examined Mr. H. Smith, Madras Uncovenanted Service, and find that since his last appearance before the Board, his health has somewhat improved, but the recent hot weather has caused a return of all his former symptoms, such as headache, giddiness, and impaired memory.

2. The Board is of opinion that Mr. Smith is not likely to render effective service in India, and recommend that he be allowed to retire from the service.

MEDICAL BOARD, INDIA OFFICE,
15th August 1867.

(Signed) J. R. MARTIN,
Inspector General of Hospitals.
(Signed) W. K. SWEETTENHAM, M. D.

REGISTER of an application for Superannuation Pension, under Pension Rules published under date 3rd May 1864, from the Establishment of the Government Press of Fort Saint George.

1	Full name of Pensioner...	Mr. Henry Smith.
2	Sect or caste...	European, Protestant.
3	Residence...	3 Elm's Road, Dulwich, Surrey, England.
4	Present post...	Superintendent of Government Press.
5	Date of commencement of service ...	21st March 1848.
6	Date of retirement from service... ...	14th November 1867.
7	Abstract of the grounds of application..	Inability to serve longer.
		YRS. MS. DS.
8	Total of leave other than privilege and preparatory leave.	1 9 4
9	Total period in pension grades counted as service...	17 10 22
10*	Age of the applicant at the time of this application...	46 11 10
		RS. A. P.
11	Average salary of past five years...	656 1 4
12	Proposed amount of pension...	218 11 1
13	Date from which to commence.—14th November 1867.	
14	Place of payment.—Home Treasury.	

* I do hereby certify that, to the best of my belief, the applicant's age above stated is correct.

(Signed) C. G. WALKER,
Supervisor, Govt. Press.

STATEMENT of total period of service.

Establishment.	Post.	Pay.	Period. From	Period. To	Yrs.	Ms.	Ds.	Accountant General or Controller of Military Accounts' remarks.
		RS. A. P.						
Chief Secretary's Department, Government Office.	1st Class Clerk.	60 0 0	21st March 1848.	30th June 1852.	4	3	11	Verified from the records of this Office. (Signed) W. DONALD, Examiner of Claims.
Do. ...	Do. ...	70 0 0	1st to	16th July 1852.	0	0	16	
Government Press.	Superintendent.	175 0 0	17th July 1852.	31st Jan. 1855.	2	6	15	
Do. ..	Do. ..	200 0 0	1st Feb. 1855.	25th Oct. 1856.	1	8	25	
Do. ...	Do. ...	350 0 0	26th Oct. 1856.	30th April 1862.	5	6	6	
Do. ...	Do. ...	550 0 0	1st May 1862.	30th April 1863.	1	0	0	
Do. ...	Do. ...	600 0 0	1st May 1863.	30th April 1864.	1	0	0	
Do. ...	Do. ...	650 0 0	1st May 1864.	30th April 1865.	1	0	0	
Do. ...	Do. ...	700 0 0	1st May 1865.	13th Nov. 1867.	2	6	13	
				Total...	19	7	26	
				YRS. MS. DS. 1 9 4				
Deduct leave...					1	9	4	
				Net period of service.....	17	10	22	

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Explanation of Column 8 with quotations of orders of reinstatement.					Explanation of any degradation.
None.					None.
Detail of leave on half-pay and full stoppage of pay.					Remarks by the Head of the Office on past character and conduct of the applicant throughout the service.
From	To	Yrs.	Ms.	Ds.	
Four days on full stoppage of pay in August 1857.		0	0	4	Mr. Smith appears to have done good service to the Government. He was entrusted with the formation of a Government Press, and performed the duty in the face of much difficulty. He was a man of considerable resource and expedient, qualifications which were absolutely essential in raising a large Establishment in a country where materials and implements were frequently wanting. He was perhaps less a Manager and Accountant than a practical printer, and to this fact was due the only censure which he ever received at the hands of Government. In my own personal knowledge he was an active useful man, and did his work well.
14th Feb. 1866. on half pay.	13th May 1867.	1	3	0	
14th May. on quarter pay.	13th Nov. 1867.	0	6	0	
	Total of leave...	1	9	4	

GOVERNMENT PRESS OFFICE,
29th January 1868.

(Signed) C. G. WALKER,
Supervisor, Govt. Press.

No. 348.

REPORT of the Examiner of Claims.

	YS.	MS.	DS.
Service qualifying for pension is proved for a total period of.....	17	10	22
	RS.	A.	P.
In the last five years of his service the average pay of the applicant's permanent post was.....	648	10	1
Applicant is eligible to a pension of Rupees 166-10-8 per mensem, equal to one-third of his average salary during the last five years, under Clause II. of Section 6 of the Revised Pension Rules.			
As the Medical Certificate is dated 15th August 1867, the applicant must be held to have retired from Government service on that date. His service calculated up to 14th August 1867, agreeably to Government Notification published at page 603 of the 1st Volume of the *Gazette* for 1866, and not to expiry of leave, is accordingly years 19-4-27 and not years 19-7-26, as entered in the Statement of service. The one-fourth pay of the applicant drawn for him from 15th August to 13th November 1867, on the plea of his absence on sick leave, must be recovered from the first payment of pension, which will be due to him from 15th August 1867, date of retirement.			

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
ACCOUNTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
4th February 1868.

(Signed) W. DONALD,
Examiner of Claims.

To the Chief Secretary to Government. Civil Pension Department.

Order, 30th March 1868, *No.* 87.

The above is an application from Mr. H. Smith, late Superintendent of the Government Press, for pension on retirement on failure of his health. Mr. Smith has been in the Government service since the 21st March 1848, and his whole service has been 17 years, 10 months, and 22 days.

2. His salary for the five years preceding the close of his service has been on an average Rupees 648-10-1, of which one-third is Rupees 216-3-4 ; but under the rules, Mr. Smith is only eligible to a pension of £200 a year, or Rupees 166-10-8 a month. This pension the Government resolve to grant to him payable in England with effect from the 16th August 1867, the day on which he was pronounced unfit for further service.

3. The absentee allowance of Rupees 175 per mensem paid to Mr. Smith as absent on sick leave, from the 16th August to 14th November 1867, will be recovered from him.

4. But Mr. Smith asks that his services to Government may be specially noticed by the grant of an enhanced pension. He has served the Government for more than 18 years, and has during that time virtually created the system of Government printing which has so greatly facilitated the operations of Government while materially reducing its office expenditure. When he joined the Government Press in 1852 it was a small establishment, costing Rupees 700 per mensem, occupied chiefly in printing the Government Gazette. When he went Home on sick leave in 1866 the whole of the printing of the Proceedings of Government in all its departments, and of the Board of Revenue, the Job-work of 119 public offices, and the *Fort Saint George Gazette* was executed at the Government Press, and the cost of the Establishment was Rupees 8528 per mensem.

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6. Taking these circumstances into consideration, the Governor in Council resolves to address a strong recommendation to the Secretary of State, through the Government of India, that, as a special case, Mr. Smith may be permitted to receive a pension of £250 per annum from date of retirement, being equal to a little less than one-third his average pay for the five years previous to his resignation.

(True Extract).

C. G. WALKER,
Under Secy. to Govt.

Exd. R. F. Bantleman.

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Recommending Mr. Smith late Asst. of the Govt. Press for a pension of £250 per annum

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FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

From *The Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George.*

To *The Secretary to the Govt. of India, Financial Department.*

Dated 4th April 1868.

Read.

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Enclosure.

Recommending, as a special case, the grant of an enhanced pension of £250 per annum to Mr. H. Smith, late Superintendent of the Madras Government Press.

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4th April

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No. 183.

To

The Secretary to the
Government of Madras
Fin'l Department.

Dated 4 April 1868.

Recommending, as a special case, the grant of an enhanced pension of £250 per annum to Lt. Col. H. Smith late Superintendent of the Madras Govt. Opts.

Fort St. George
4 April 1868

Read 7th May

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