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FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

No. 95.

FROM

J. I. MINCHIN, ESQ.,
Acting Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

I am directed, in conformity with clause 3 of the rules for the transmission of memorials, to forward to you a memorial addressed to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India, by G. Caleanasoondrum Chetty and Somasoondrum Chetty, Accountants in the late Madras Mint, who lost their offices on reduction of the establishment in October 1868. The memorialists appeal against the orders of this Government granting to the former a one-third pension, and to the latter a gratuity of twelve months' pay.

2. The claims of these men have already come before the Government of India, who, in their Financial letter, dated 19th April 1869, No. 195, acceded to the recommendation which had been made by this Government that the memorialists should be permitted to reckon for pension their service on what was named the permanent contingent list, and should consequently be admitted the one to a half, and the other to a one-third pension.

3. On further inquiry as to the nature of the so called permanent contingent establishment, this Government found that it was quite indeterminate, and that the permanency in fact consisted in a mere practical understanding and apparently arose from the continuing necessity for the services of men originally borne on a purely contingent establishment. It was, therefore, apparent that the recommendation in favour of the memorialists was made by this Government, and probably acceded to by the Government of India, under a complete misconception as to the nature of their service; and the Governor in Council accordingly resolved to admit no such service for pension, and applied this principle to the memorialists' case as well as to all other similar claims, which were very numerous, as most of the permanent servants in the Mint had passed part of their service on the contingent establishment. I am instructed to request reference to the Order of this Government in the Pension Department, No. 207, dated 9th July 1869,* in which the whole circumstances are detailed.

* Copy forwarded with my letter, No. 21, dated 7th January 1870.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
28*th February* 1870.

Acting Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. Wright.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

From

The Acting Chief Secy. to Government,

Fort Saint George,

To

The Secretary to the Govt. of India,

Financial Department.

Dated 28th February 1870.

Recd.

No. 95.

Enclosure.

FEBRUARY.
Nos. 26—28.

Forwarding a memorial addressed to the Secretary of State by G. Caleanasoondrum Chetty and G. Somasoondrum Chetty, late Accountants of the Madras Mint.

With dispatch 7/3/70.
Memorial in Duplicate.

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The Secretary to the
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Dated 18 .

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Fort St George
26th Sept. 1850.

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Financial DEPARTMENT

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Fort Saint George,

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