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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
3rd April 1871.

No. 1. Read the following Resolution of the Government of India in the Financial Department, dated Fort William, 22nd March 1871, No. 1586:—

Pensions and Gratuities.]

The Governor-General in Council has had under consideration the question of how to guard against fraudulent claims to pensionary allowances being put forward by strangers after the actual incumbents are dead.

2. The chief protection against such claims must be in the careful testing by Disbursing Officers of each claim at the time it is presented.

3. But it seems advisable, also, that statistical information regarding pensions should be kept up, and for this purpose His Excellency in Council is pleased to direct that, from every office where pensions are disbursed, returns in the annexed form shall annually be made to the Account Office to which it is subordinate :—

(1.) For pensions not exceeding Rupees 10.
(2.) For pensions exceeding Rupees 10, and not exceeding Rupees 50.
(3) For pensions exceeding Rupees 50.

4. The Account Officers should scrutinize the information thus received, in order that inquiry may be at once made where any remarkable longevity appears, or where any other anomalous features present themselves.

5. His Excellency in Council is well-aware that there is great difficulty in exercising a check by this means on the action of local officers. The instances in any single Disbursing Office are necessarily too few to warrant the assumption that their departure from mathematical regularity requires any special explanation ; and, on the other hand, in the compilation of the figures of several offices, the effects caused by the perpetration of frauds in any one would probably disappear in the mass.

6. But while His Excellency in Council, in view of this difficulty in supervising this particular part of their work, confidently expects at the hands of local officers extreme caution in dealing with claims to pensions, he does not doubt that the information contained in the forms now prescribed will be found in both Central and Local Offices to be of great value.

7. The first return should be made for 1870-71.

Ordered that a copy of the foregoing Resolution, and of the form referred to in paragraph 3, be furnished to the several Departments of the Government of India, the several Local Governments and Administrations, the Comptroller-General, the several Accountants-General, and the several Deputy Accountants-General in independent charge.

Ordered, also, that a copy be sent to the Military Department, with reference to the Resolution of this Department, No. 3421, dated 15th September 1870, with a request that this Department may be informed of any proceedings adopted in the Military Department in connexion with this question.

(Signed) R. B. CHAPMAN,
Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

RETURN OF PENSIONS PAID AT _____ DURING THE YEAR 187 -7 .

Pensions exceeding Rupees _____ and not exceeding Rupees _____.

	Present age (last birthday) of Pensioners.									Remarks.
	Not more than 50 years.	51 to 60 inclusive.	61 to 65 inclusive.	66 to 70 inclusive.	71 to 75 inclusive.	76 to 80 inclusive.	81 to 85 inclusive.	86 and upwards.	Total.	
1.—Number of Pensioners in the List at end of last year. Heading 9 of last year's Return										
2.—Deduct the number transferred into the next period of age										
3.—Add the number transferred from the last period of age.										
4.—Number from last year thus corrected for age										
5 6 7 New names brought on the List. — By new pensions										
6 — By renewal after being struck off										
7 — By transfer from other offices										
8.—Total of headings 4 to 7, being total number to be accounted for										
9.—Number on Pension List at end of year										
10 11 Removed during the year. — By transfer to other offices										
11 — By death or non-appearance for six months										
12.—Total of headings 9, 10, 11, being total number accounted for										

Notes.—Headings 2 and 3 show the transfers rendered necessary by Pensioners passing from one of the periods of age into the next. Hence each entry under heading 3 will be the same as the entry under heading 2 in the next preceding column.

Heading 6. Enter here any persons who, after being entered under heading 11 of any previous satement as having been struck off the List, on account of non-appearance for six months (Rule 17 of Pension Rules of 13th April 1864) are again admitted into the List.

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No. 2. Order thereon, 3rd April 1871, No. 133.

Communicated to the several Departments of the Secretariat.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department.
" Military do.
" Public Works do.
" Board of Revenue.
" Pension Department.

Exd. J. Wright.

Govt. of {1871} Madras.

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THE REVENUE DEPARTMENT, &c. &c. &c.

Dated April, 3rd.

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