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No. 11. Read the following Proceedings of the Government of India in the Financial Department, dated Fort William, 28th January 1871, No. 491:—

Pensions and Gratuities.

Read the following:—

Despatch from the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India, to the Government of India, dated 30th November 1870, No. 388.

I have considered in Council your financial letter, dated the 2nd September last, No. 206, with which you forward papers regarding the grant of a pension to Mr. H. J. Prockter, Head Cutler of the Medical Stores Depôt in Bengal, who served for a time under a covenant, and who was subsequently taken permanently into Government service.

2. In Mr. Prockter's case, you have decided that his service under contract cannot reckon towards pension under the Uncovenanted Rules, on the principle that, "if a man contracts to serve the Government for a specified time for a certain remuneration which does not include any accruing right to pension, it is to be presumed that the remuneration was fixed between him and the Government on that basis; it is gratuitous to superadd a pension."

3. You are, however, of opinion that, in case of service being prolonged, contract service should count for pension, "but it should be clearly understood *beforehand*, and the terms of the contract regulated accordingly;" and you "suggest that contracts with persons for service in India should ordinarily be concluded upon such an understanding."

4. Were your suggestion adopted, and the amount of stipulated remuneration reduced to a certain extent in consideration of a prospect of pension, &c., hereafter, *all* persons engaged under contract for special service in India would consider that they had a claim to be permanently taken into Government service at the expiration of the period specified in their contracts, or to compensation if not so taken; and I am, therefore, of opinion that it will be better to leave it to your Government to decide, when re-engaging persons on completion of service under contract, whether such period of service should be allowed to reckon towards privileges under the Uncovenanted Service Leave and Pension Rules, the terms of re-engagement being regulated by you accordingly.

Ordered that a copy of the above Despatch be forwarded to the Military Department, with reference to communication from this Department, No. 3135, dated 2nd September 1870.

Ordered, also, that a copy of the Despatch be forwarded to the other Departments of the Government of India, the several Local Governments and Administrations, the Mint Master, Calcutta, the Director-General of the Post Office of India, the Head Commissioner of Paper Currency, the Comptroller-General, the several Accountants-General, and the several Deputy Accountants-General in independent charge.

(Signed) J. WESTLAND,
Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
10th February 1871.

No. 12. ORDER THEREON, 10th February 1871, No. 64.

Communicated to the several Departments of the Secretariat.

(True Extract.)

To the Revenue Department.
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Exd. J. H. Burns.

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