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No. 16. Read the following letter from the Officiating President of the Municipal Commission, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 18th June 1872:—

I do myself the honour of soliciting the orders of Government in regard to the amount of deputation allowance to be passed to me whilst officiating as President of the Municipal Commission.

2. I may I trust be permitted to observe that the situation is an honourable, and (as Government is fully aware) an onerous and responsible one, requiring, on the part of the officer holding it, the exercise of great vigilance, tact, and circumspection in carrying on the multiplicity of duties committed to his charge, in order to satisfy the wants and expectations of the thousands residing within the municipal limits.

3. Under Clause 10 of Act IX. of 1867 the maximum allowance to be passed at the pleasure of Government is fixed at 2,000 Rupees, and the minimum allowance at 1,200 Rupees; and Clause 7 of Act V. of 1871 provides for the disbursement of the allowance to the Officiating President during the absence on leave of the permanent incumbent.

4. Up to the 4th August 1872 the sum of 1,750 Rupees is available for the President's salary; from that date the full sum of 2,000 Rupees will be available.

5. Referring to the Resolution of Government of India, dated 14th October 1871, published in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, 7th November 1871, page 1736, I am not aware of the views of Government on the subject, but I respectfully submit the rule may not be made applicable to me as temporarily officiating in the appointment.

6. The late Colonel Temple, as President of the Municipal Commission in 1865, was in receipt of a deputation allowance of 500 Rupees; that Officer then had the services of two paid Commissioners to assist him in his duties, whereas in the present day, with 32 unpaid Commissioners, I have up to the present moment failed to find they in any way afford material assistance to the President in conducting the heavy duties devolving on him. Major Bowen, whilst lately holding the Presidentship, enjoyed an allowance of 700 Rupees per mensem.

7. I trust it may not be deemed inappropriate to remark that in Madras the officer exercising the command of a regiment receives 1,550 Rupees, and his second in command 1,300 Rupees per mensem, whose duties and responsibilities, I submit, bear no comparison to those falling to be performed by the Municipal President, who, in addition to other expenses, must necessarily maintain a heavy stable establishment to enable him, daily and constantly, to be in all parts of the municipal limits.

8. In conclusion, I trust I may be pardoned for being thus explicit, my object being to assist Government in determining what it may be pleased to consider a remunerative allowance commensurate with the position I have the honour to hold, and for conducting the important duties devolving upon me.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department, 4th July 1872.

No. 17. To the Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, dated Ootacamund, 4th July 1872, No. 853.

Referring to paragraph 3 of the Proceedings of the Government of India in the Financial Department, dated 14th October 1871, No. 4359 (Accounts), I am directed to request that the Supreme Government will be pleased to exempt officers of Government lent to the Madras Town Municipality from the required contribution of one-fifth of their pay to Government.

2. I am directed to point out that this Municipality is very poor in comparison with those of the other Presidency Towns, and with the requirements of the Madras Town, and that to insist upon this contribution will practically be to cast on them an additional charge which they are ill able to support.

3. The material improvement of the Presidency Town is a matter in which the interest and reputation of the Government itself are much involved, and the pay of the officer lent to the Municipality is saved to Government while he is so employed.

4. The Governor in Council trusts that, in view of the above considerations, His Excellency the Governor-General in Council will be pleased to extend to the Madras Town Municipality the special exemption which is contemplated by the Resolution above quoted.

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

Exd. J. Wright.

1872.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

From

The Secretary to Government,
Fort St. George,

To

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

Dated 4th July 1872.

Read.

No. 853.

Enclosure.

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Requesting the exemption of officers of Government lent to the Madras Town Municipality from the required contribution of one-fifth of their pay to Government.

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To

The Honorable
R. S. Ellis Esq. C. B.
Chief Secretary to Government
Vetacammund

Sir

I do myself the
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Officiating President during
the absence, on leave, of
the permanent incumbent.

Up to the 4th
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of Seventeen hundred and
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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servt.
Alex Rittenden
Off. President
Municipal Commrs

Madras
18th June 1872

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Financial Department.

No. 853.

To

The Secretary to the Government
of India,
Financial Department.

Sir,

Referring to para 3 of the Proceedings of the Government of India in the Financial Dept. dated the 14th October 1871 No 4359 (Accounts) I am directed to request that the Supreme Government will be pleased to exempt officers of Govt lent to the Madras Town Municipality from the required contribution of one fifth of their pay to Government.

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Local Commission
Madras

Requesting that the Government may be moved to take early steps to legislate on the subject.

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Memorandum.

Colr Rotheram draws at present, as Colr on special duty, Rs 827-14.

As Colr in Command of a Regiment he would draw, including Presidency town Rat, Rs 1552-14.

As Second in Command, including town Rat, Rs 1302-14.

According to the recent Rulings of the Govt of India, Colr Rotheram must contribute one-fifth of his pay & acty allowance. If these amounted to Rs 1500, he would have to contribute Rs 300. & he would retain Rs 1200, which is Rs 172 in excess of what he is drawing as Colr on special duty.

Before settling this question I would ask the favr of Mr Robinson & the Members of the Municipality whether they would be willing to contribute Rs 300 per mensem towards the pay of the Presidency Town Engineer, in addition to the responsibility & hard work of the office - The President has to do his work mostly at least 2 carriage horses for his out door work - But

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Memo from
Hon'ble Mr. Ashtosh

Hon'ble Chief Minister
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4. ~~Hon'ble~~ trusts that in view of the above considerations ~~the~~ H.E. the G.G. in C will ~~forthwith~~ ~~may feel them selves at liberty~~ to extend to the Madras Town Municipality the special exemption which is contemplated by the Resolution above quoted

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The Secretary to the
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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 July 4. 1872.

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Nos. 16. 17.

Requesting the exemption of Officers of Govt. under the Madras Town Municipalities from the requisition contribution of one fifth of their pay to Govt.

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