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No 89

Statutory Sanction requested to the grant to the widow of Peter Simms late Pensioner D.P.W. who died while employed on the Jasper Coal works of a Statutory of 50 Rs & a Pension of 8 Rs a month till his Son attains the age of 16 years

No. 2055.

FROM

THE HON. D. F. CARMICHAEL,

Acting Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

I am directed to request that, under the Resolution of the Government of India, No. 2097, dated 28th July 1870, a gratuity of 500 Rupees may be granted to the widow of Peter Murray, late an Overseer in the Department Public Works, who died on the 15th June last, while engaged in the Jeypore Ghaut works in the Hill Tracts of the Vizagapatam District, of dysentery supervening on repeated attacks of fever, to which two members of his family have also fallen victims. The Jeypore Ghauts are always extremely unhealthy, and the work was being pushed on to completion at a season when, from sanitary considerations, the general rule is to suspend it altogether. The deceased's case is, therefore, analogous to the illustration given in paragraph 3 of the Resolution—"a Police officer, escorting a prisoner during a season of great heat, dies of a sunstroke."

2. Besides his service in the Department Public Works of $2\frac{1}{3}$ years, Murray was seven years and eight months in the Police, and upwards of ten years in the Army, where he rose to the grade of Serjeant in the Sappers and Miners, and on taking his discharge was described as an "unexceptionable" character.

3. If it is thought better to grant a pension, His Excellency in Council would suggest 5 Rupees a-month till the deceased's only surviving child, a boy, attains the age of sixteen. He is now five years old.

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

FORT ST. GEORGE,
8th December 1874.

Acting Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. Wright.

1874.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

From The Acting Chief Secretary to Govt.
Fort St. George.

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

Dated 8th December 1874.

Read.

No. 2503.

Enclosure.

No. 88

From

Special Executive Engineer's
Office Vizianagaram 17th June
1874

The Executive Engineer
Jeypore Ghaut

To

The Officiating District Engineer
Vizagapatam

Sir,

I regret exceedingly to have to report the death of Mr. Peter Murray, late Overseer on the Ghaut Works, which took place during the night of Monday the 15th instant, near Salur - The body has been brought in here for burial.

2. Mr. Murray's health had been failing for some time, and I had given him a month's leave, on the Hospital Assistant's report, and hoped that he would recruit his strength at Vizianagaram; but he unfortunately died on his way here.

3. Except his one great fault (which was well known) Mr. Murray was one of the best Overseers I ever had under my orders; and what enhanced his value was his sterling honesty and thorough

thorough trustworthiness; of late he was also very steady, and kept perfectly sober. To the Ghaut Works his loss is a very great one.

4. Seeing that he died from the undoubted effects of illness contracted on the Works, and that he leaves behind a widow and a young child, unprovided for (two of his children having died of the Ghaut fever last season), I trust that the Gourmment will be able to do something for the widow and child, either in the shape of an allowance until the latter, a boy, grown up, or in any way that may seem most appropriate.

I have the honorable
Sir,
Your most Obt Servt
Signed/ H. F. Nordmann
Executive Engineer

(True Copy)

W Whindle Captn

Offg. District Engineer
Vizagapatam

No 584

District Engineer's Office
Waltair 26th June 1874

From

Captain J. W. Windle
Offg. District Engineer, Vizagapatam

To

Colonel G. W. Walker R.E.
Secretary to Government P.W.D.
Madras

Sir,

In forwarding a copy of Mr Nordmann's letter reporting the death of Mr Peter Murray, who was employed as an Overseer on the Seyporc Ghaut works, I have the honor to request that you will be so good as to obtain the sanction of Government for some provision being made for his widow and little child.

2. Mr Murray not only lost his own life, but two of his children died also from fever concracted whilst on the ghauts, and his wife last year nearly died also from the same cause.

3. Mr Murray was a good officer whom I knew well when a Corporal and Serjeant in the Sappers and Miners

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4. I would recommend that a gratuity should be given to the widow; and charged to the grant for the Ghaut Works, as I fear that Government will hardly feel inclined to sanction the grant of a pension.

5. In conclusion, I may mention that the grant of a gratuity would have an encouraging effect on the other subordinates employed on the Ghaut, who are with difficulty kept at their posts from fear of the fever.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obdt. Servt.

M W Rundle Captain
Offg. District Engineer
Vizagapatam

P. W. 1874 Dept.
From
The Chief Secretary to Govt.
Fort St. George
No: 3896
Dated 4th July 1874
Received 7th July 1874
Subject
Reporting the death of
Mr. C. C. Murray, Overseer
on the Seyporé Ghaut Works
and recommending
that a gratuity be
granted to his widow
and child.

S. No. 2055 978/12/74

Answered 20 July 1874

P. W. 584

Mr. P. W. Secretary's Present
Copy to Superintendent of Police
Madras

Mr. P. W. Secretary's Present
Copy to Superintendent of Police
Madras

No. 278

Office of the Superintendent of Police
Vizagapatam 24th July 1874

To

The Special Executive Engineer
Seyporé Ghaut Works
Vizianagram

Sir

In reply to your letter No. 156 of the 21st. instant I have the honor hereunto to forward an extract from Service Register showing the late Mr. Murray's Service in the Police.

Mr. Murray Came to me from the Godavery District on 1st April 1869 and served under me until he was dismissed on the 4th April 1872, I always found him an honest Zealous and hard working man and Certainly as well up in his Police duties as any Inspector I have ever met with. Unfortunately the man drank, and this I believe to have been his only fault.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obt. Servant
W. M. Frazer Major
Superintendent of Police

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Nobles Pamphlet Copy 7/74

From The Commandant

Sappers Miners

To the Executive Engineer

Seypoor Ghaut Works

With reference to the letter as per margin, I have the honor to forward a Copy of the Record of Services of late Serjeant No: 258 P. Murray. The Character he bore in the Corps was Very [illegible]

No. 208 Special Executive Engineer's Office

Vizianagram 24th August 1874.

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From

The Executive Engineer

on Special duty

Jeypore Ghaut

To

The Officiating District Engineer

Vizagapatam

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 947 date 16th instant, enclosing a copy of a Memo from the Chief Engineer, [illegible] the services of the late Overseer Murray, and in continuation of my letter as per margin,* I have the honor herewith to forward the documents, below specified, which I have received from the Superintendent of Police, Vizagapatam, and from the Commandant of Sappers and Miners viz:

* No. 155 dated 21st July 1874

1. letter, No. 278, dated 24th July 1874 from Supt: of Police,
1. Service Register (Police);
1. letter, No. 633, dated 10th August 1874, from Commandant Sappers and Miners;
1. Service Register (Military).

2. I further beg to state that Mr Murray was not living at Salur at the time of his death, but that he was on his way to Vizianagram. The reason why Work was still carried on, in June, on the Ghauts, was, (as already reported) that, the season during which Work can be done in that locality being so short, it was arranged

arranged, with the concurrence of the late District Engineer, that the works should not be stopped until the rains, or sickness, compelled such stoppage.

3. Hence the work was continued all through June and partly in July; and no other cases of severe sickness occurred. Myself did not leave the Ghauts until the beginning of June, and returned to the work at the end of July, in order to finally close operations for the season, and muster the stores. In July work was carried on with a diminished strength of labour and only on the lower parts of the Ghaut, within easy access of the plains.

4. The fever prevailing during June and July did not appear to be of a worse type than that which is more or less prevalent on the hills at all seasons. The cause of Mr. Murray's death seems to have been dysentery due to weakness after previous ill health; and to improve his state, he had been ordered down to Vizianagram when he unfortunately died on the road.

I have &c.

(Signed) K. F. Nordmann
Executive Engineer

(True Copy)

W. W. Burke - Captain
Offg. District Engineer, Viragapatam

Comp'd
W. W. B.

Mr. 5723/74.
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District Engineer's Office.

No. 1056 Camp Vizianagram 29th August 1874.

From

Captain J. W. Hindle

Offg. District Engineer, Vizagapatam.

To

Colonel G. W. Walker, R.E.

Chief Engineer, Public Works Department.

Madras

Sir,

With reference to your Memo. No. 4184 of 2nd July 1874 calling for information regarding the service, salary &c. of late Mr. P. Murray, I have the honor to report that that Subordinate was in receipt of a salary of Rs. 100 per mensem, besides Rs. 40 travelling allowance.

2. His service on the Ghaut Works and in the Vizianagram Range amounts to years. months 2 - 2½, viz. from April 1872 to 15th June 1874; when he died.

3. With regard to the late Mr. Murray's services both in the Military and Police Departments, I beg to enclose the documents noted in the margin which

1 Service Register of late Mr. P. Murray in the Police, with a covering Letter No. 278 of 21st July 1874 from the Superintendent of Police.
1 Do. Do. in the Army, with a covering Letter No. 633 of 10th August 1874 from the Commandant of Sappers & miners

which were obtained by Mr. Nordmann from the Superintendent of Police Vizagapatam, and from the Commandant of Sappers and Miners.

4. With regard to your inquiry as to why the deceased was living at Salur in the unhealthy season, I beg to state that he was not living at Salur at the time of his death, but that he was there on his way to Vizianagram, vide Mr. Nordmann's Letter No. 208 of 24th August 1874, copy of which is herewith submitted.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient servant

W. Waddle Captain

Offg. District Engineer

Vizagapatam.

Public Works

Letter from Asst Engineer recommending payment of £94 dated 30th June 1874.

do do £1056 dated 31st August 1874.

Referred for consideration with the Estimate Department with Lists of Members of Court. All gratuities being payable on the Civil Establishment.

C. Walshe L.S. R.C.
Secretary to Court
8.9.74.

Vatican 29th September 1874.

Transferred to the Financial Department in accordance with the

Friendly Soc. 1874 Dept. No. 1110.

Registered Number 1110.

Rules of the Friendly Society called the Ancient Order of Foresters established at Tralee in the County of Kerry.

Certificate of Registry No. 1110.

Dublin Castle 27th August 1874.

I hereby certify that the Rules of the Friendly Society called the Ancient Order of Foresters established at Tralee in the County of Kerry, a copy of which is hereunto annexed, have been duly registered pursuant to the Statute 18 & 19 Vic. cap. 63.

Given under my hand this 27th day of August 1874.

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Assistant Barrister.

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Assistant Barrister.

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Assistant Barrister.

decision of the Honorable
Members that a regular
grant is not of the
question.

1820.

Proceedings of the Madras Govt.

Read the following:-

From

The Dt Engineer Vizagapatam } (14. Co. Dec. 584 dated 30th June 19.)

" do do (" " 1056 " 29th Sept 19.)

His Excellency the
Governor in Council
observes that the
Rules do not admit
of the grant of pecu-
-niary assistance
to the family of the late
Mr Murray.

Agreed.

If Govt can be
done, it ought
to be done.

23rd

Supposed Had a grant of land
be given for the benefit of his
two families. Their proper home
is a Vakeel case & deserving
of Engr Vizagapatam

He may freely
give the widow
a gratuity to take her home
Govt.

W. O. Form 361.

RECORD OF THE SERVICES OF No. 258 Peter Murray,

First Enlisted into the Army, for the 2/1 Regiment of Infantry on 22nd of July 1856

Attested for the said Regiment.

On the 23rd of July 1856 at the Age of 18 Years and 0 Months.

Regiment	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, &c.	Rank.	Period of Service in each Rank From	To	Amount of Service towards G. C. Pay and Pension Years	Days	Amount of Service towards completion of limited engagement Years	Days
Infantry	Enlisted - -	Private	22nd July 56	29th Dec 1858	2	161	2	161
Depot Mus	Received Promotion	2d Corpl	30th Dec 58	11th May 61	2	136	2	136
	Did not get his discharge under the provisions of G.O.G.C No 803 of 1859 - - - -							
	Granted a bonus of 2 Years Service Vide G.O.G dated 12th October 1859 - - - - - - -				2	0	2	0
	Admitted to G.C Pay 1 and one mark from 1st March 1860, - - - - -				Total Service		6 297	6 297
~~Depot~~	~~Total Service up to 11th May 1861 - the date on which he volunteered for General Service in 11 Bns 102d Regiment~~	2d Corpl	15th May 61	29th Oct 61	0	168	0	168
1 Mus	Promoted - - -	Corpl	30th Oct 61	2nd July 1863	1	122	1	122
do	Promoted - - -	Sergeant	1st March 1863	29th Nov 1864	1	274	1	274
	Elected for Pension according to the Bde Regulations 27 June 1861							
	Attested for 11 Bns 102d Royal Madras Fusiliers Regiment on the 14th May 1861,							
					Total Service		10 130	10 130

Discharged in consequence of his having claimed the Pension on the Expiration of his limited Service, having completed a Service of Ten Years and one hundred and thirty days,

Clerk Surrendered per Major 102d

Commandant Sappers 1 Mus

Adjutant Sappers 1 Mus

Mis No 1013 of 8 May 7

Mis No 1013 of 8 May 7

Mr Peter Murray. Age when first entertained 21 Years.

Establishment	Date	Appointment	Salary	Period of Service in each Appointment: Years	Months	Days	Remarks regarding promotion, severe & formal reprimands and all special commendations or marks of approbation.
1	2	3	4	5			6
Madras Police	1st February 1864 to 31st August 1865	3d Class Insp.r of Police	100	1	1		
	1st September 1865 to 1st June 1866.	2d Class Insp.r of Police	150		9		Reduced to 3d C. Insp.r from 1st June 66 by Order of Insp.r Gen.l for 6 Months.
	1st June 1866 to 31st March 1867	3d Class Insp.r of Police	100		10		
	1st April 1867 to 19th April 69	1st Class Insp.r of Police	200	2	19		Reduced to 2d Class from 20th April 69 for 6 Months for being drunk & impertenant to Asst Sup.t of Police.
	20th April 69 to 19th Octr 69	2d Class Insp.r of Police.	150		6		
	20th October 69 to 20th May 70	1st Class Insp.r of Police	200		7		Reduced to 2d Class from 21st May 70 for being drunk
	21st May 70 to 4th April 72	2d Class Insp.r of Police	150	1	10	13	Dismissed from 4th April 72
				7	8	2	

Office of the Sup.t of Police
Vizagapm 24th July 1874

W. W. Frazer 28 Major
Superintendent of Police

(No 2624 of 1875
Register)

Certificate

I do hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, Peter Murray died, while engaged on the Jeypore Ghaut Works, in the Hill tracts of the Vizagapatam District, of Dysentery supervening on repeated attack of fever.

W Almbrann
Executive Engineer
Jeypore Ghaut-

Vizianagram
20th March
1875

Certificate

I do hereby certify that, to the best of my Knowledge and belief, Peter Murray died, while engaged on the Jeypore Chain-Works, in the Hill tracts of the Vizagapatam District, of Dysentery Supervening on repeated attack of fever.

W Monbrieu
"

Executive Engineer
Jeypore Chain-

Vizianagram
20th March 1875

N°97

District Engineers Office
Waltair 16th April 1875

From

Majore A. W. Kindle.
Offg. District Engineer
Viragapatam

To

Colonel G. W. Walker. R.E
Secretary to Government P.W.D.
Madras

Sir,

With reference to the Official Memorandum Pension Department, N°2 dated 2nd February 1875, I have the honor to submit herewith an Application for Pension or Gratuity in the prescribed form on behalf of the family of late Peter Murray, an Overseer employed on the Eppore Ghaut in the Viragapatam District.

* with certificates.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant
A. W. Kindle Major
Offg. District Engineer, Viragapatam

P.W.D.

No. 264 Special Executive Engineers Office
Vizianagram 11th November 1874.

From

The Executive Engineer
Jeypore Ghaut

To

The Offg. District Engineer
Viragapatam

Sir,

With reference to your endorsement on a Memorandum* from the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, regarding the widow of the late Mr. P. Murray, I have the honor to report that Mrs Murray is an East Indian (father European mother of mixed descent), and that she desires to remain in India.

2. Mrs Murray would be thankful if arrangements could be made to place her son (5 years old) in the Lawrence Asylum, without expense to her.

* No 299, dated 23d Ultimo

I have &c
(Sgd) K. F. Nordmann
Executive Engineer.

(True Copy)

W W Nicolle Captain
Offg. District Engineer Viragapatam

Copied
[illegible]

No. 2524 dated 1875

From
The Offg. Executive Engineer
Viragapatam

To
The Secretary to Government
Madras

Dated 16th April 1875
Read 21st April 1875
No 197

Submitting an Application for Pension on behalf of the Family of Pak [illegible] employed on the Jeypore Ghaut.

From [illegible]
Executive Engineer

Copied [illegible]

No 1175 Transmitted for the favorable consideration of the Chief Secretary to Government.

[illegible]
Offg. Superintending Engineer

Dated 18th April 1875

N°. 1578

District Engineer's Office

Camp Vizianagram 16th November 1874

From

The offg. District Engineer

Vizagapatam

To

The Chief Secretary to Govt.

Madras

Sir

With reference to your Memorandum N°299 of 23d October 1874, I have the honor to forward herewith copy of a letter N° 264 of 11th instant received from the Executive Engineer of Jeypore Ghaut Range from which you will observe that Mrs Murray is an East Indian and that she wishes to remain in India.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obdt. Servant,

W Wardle Captain

Offg. District Engineer

Vizagapatam

Comd.

S.D.S.

Note

In disposing of the case of the widow & child of the late Mr. P. Murray employed as Sawyer on the Jessore Ghaut Works the following points require consideration

1. The cause of Mr. Murray's death was not fever but dysentery a disease not peculiar to any particular locality and one that Mr. Murray admittedly intemperate habits no doubt contributed to bring

A regular Medical certificate is evidently out of the question but we must have the evidence of some other Europeans or Eurasians - We cannot force him to state or even suggest

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Forwarded [illegible] Report
from
The Offg. District Engineer
Jessore
To
The Chief Secretary
to Government
Bengal
Dated 16 November 1874
Recd. 25 " "
Encl: 1.

No 1578 No 2466.

Reporting death of Mr. Murray in an East Indian and that the widow wishes to remain in India.

For Record

Missions of Mr. Murray

(2) His Service in the
P.W. Department only
amounted to 2 years 2½ mos.
He was taken into
this department
after being dismissed
from the Police.
The cause of dismissal
is not stated but
it was probably
drunkenness, a
failing for which
he had previously
been twice reduced.
He had served in
the Police for 7, 8, 2 3 years 130 days
& as a soldier for
15 years & 130 days.
3. Lor. Murray's
moral character
was throughout
good but so is that
of many a public

See Gov. of India
Resolution 28 July 70
No: 2097. put up.

servant who dies
leaving a family
for whom nothing
can be done
For this Government
to grant a gratuity
to Lor. Murrays
widow it must
be shown that
the deceased met
his death in the
performance of duty
attended with
extraordinary
bodily risk. The
facts however as
above shown are
against such a
statement.
4. If therefore it is
desired to move
in the matter
it will be necessary

to make out a
case to forward to
the Government of
India but Lt. Murray's
intemperate habits
& dismissal from
the Police make it
difficult to see
grounds for his wishes
fulfilled
5. The Government have
quite recently refused
a pension to the family
of the late Lieut. Fraser
District Engineer
Kurnool & Lieut.
Murray's family
appear to have
no better claim

G.O. 14 July 74
No: 408.

Note in this case
of the widow of the late boat P
Murray Jessore
Jessore Chaut Works

Desp 14/12/74 with 5 Encls

Financial Dept

No 2055-

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To Secy Govt India

Fin Dept

Sir,

I am directed to request that, under the Resolution of the Govt India, No 2097 d/ 28th July '70, a gratuity of 500 Rs may be granted to the widow of Peter Murray, late an Overseer in the D. P. W. who died on the 15th June last, while engaged in the Jessore Chaut works in the Hill tracts of the Chittagong district, of dysentery supervening on repeated attacks of fever, to which two members of his family have also fallen victims.

The Jessore Chauts are always extremely unhealthy, and the work was being pushed on to completion at a season when, from sanitary considerations, the rule is to suspend it altogether.

The deceased's case is therefore analogous to the illustration given in Para 3 of the Resolution - "a Police Officer, deserting "a prisoner during a season of great heat, "dies of a sunstroke".

2. Besides his service in the D. P. W. of 2/3 years, Murray was 7 years, Brevet

c 10/10/74
a 13/10/74
c 15/10/74
a 16/10/74

in the Police, and
upwards of 10 years in the
Army, where he rose to the
grade of Sergeant in the Sappers
& Miners, and on taking his
discharge was described as an
"unexceptionable" character.

3. If it is thought better to grant
a Pension, H. E. will suggest
5/- a month till the deceased's
only surviving child, a boy, attains
the age of 16. He is now 5 years old.

Int Kenya
8 Dec 74

S. of S. 29/11-4