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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 1157	Press Mis.
221-223	221-223
Dated 27-5-	1875.

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Civil Fund.

Read the following papers:—

No. 221. Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India.

Financial.
No. 41.

INDIA OFFICE, LONDON,
24th March 1875.

MY LORD,—With reference to your Financial letter, dated the 19th February 1875, No. 3, I forward, herewith, copies of two letters, with enclosures, from Mr. W. Hodgson stating that a draft drawn by him on his Agents at Madras has been returned to him in consequence of payment of his annuity having been refused by the Accountant-General there.

Dated 16th and 23rd March 1875.

2. In the letter from this office to Mr. Hodgson, dated the 22nd December 1874, a copy of which was forwarded "for your information and guidance" with my Financial despatch, dated the 23rd December 1874, No. 166, that gentleman was informed that he would be permitted to refund the sum of £694-10-4 received by him in this country on account of his annuity and to draw it in future in India from the date of his retirement.

3. I request, therefore, that an early explanation may be afforded of the circumstances under which payment of that officer's annuity at Madras has been withheld.

I have, &c.,
SALISBURY.

His Excellency the Right Honorable
The Governor in Council, Fort St. George.

From W. HODGSON, Esq., Late Madras Civil Service, to the Under Secretary of State for India, dated 11, Gloucester Terrace, Hyde Park Gardens, W., London, 16th March 1875.

On or about the 23rd December 1874 I was permitted by the Secretary of State for India, in circumstances which I need not recapitulate, to draw my annuity in India, as originally sanctioned on my retirement from the Madras Civil Service on the 18th February 1874.

2. Under the impression that the Madras Government would be apprised of this fact in due course by your office, as was no doubt the case, I drew on India, through my Bankers in London, for the half-year's annuity due to me from the 1st May to the 31st October 1874. Such draft was dated on the 15th January 1875, and on its arrival in Madras the Agent to the Oriental Bank Corporation applied to the Accountant-General for the amount* against which it was in part drawn. The Accountant-General's reply, informing the Agent that, as I had drawn my annuity to the 30th April 1874, no more money could be paid me in India, accompanies this letter, and I also enclose that officer's last pay certificate to that date. I may here remark that if the Accountant-General had, in the first instance, sent to the Agent or to myself such certificate to the 30th April, instead of that which he previously furnished to the Agent (which was to the *19th February* and

* Rupees 5,325.

is, I believe, still in your office), much of the present difficulty would have been avoided ; and, even if he issued one of later date, as the Agent now states, it never reached me. It was on the strength of the certificate of the 19*th February* that on the 2nd November last I drew my annuity in your office from the 19th February to the 31st October 1874.

3. My Agent at Madras had, nevertheless, as appears clearly from his letter enclosed, drawn my annuity from the 19th February to the 30th April 1874, and therefore the amount which ought to have been paid to him in Madras on the receipt of the Secretary of State's despatch was Rupees 5,325, being my annuity from the 1st May to the 31st October 1874.

4. The non-payment of the amount up to so late as the 18th February has placed me in the unpleasant position of having my draft returned by the Agent so far as relates to his being placed in funds by the Accountant-General, and, of course, I cannot account for the delay.

5. The request I have the honor to make, as the sum and substance of the above details, is that the Madras Government may be directed to instruct the Accountant-General to disburse to me, through the Oriental Bank Corporation, Madras, the sum of Rupees 5,325, being my annuity from the 1st May to the 31st October 1874, as I find that the Agent of that Bank has drawn my annuity from the 19th February to the 30th April 1874.

6. On the 25th January last I paid into the Bank of England the sum of £694-10-4, which had been paid to me by the India Office as the amount of my annuity from the 19th February to the 31st October 1874.

From the Chief Manager, Oriental Bank Corporation, to W. HODGSON, Esq., dated London, 16th March 1875, No. 25-5768.

With reference to your draft of 15th January last for Rupees 7,396 on our Madras Agent, we have to-day received an advice, copy of which we enclose for your perusal. We also hand you, herewith, copies of the Accountant-General's letters and the last pay certificate to which our Agent refers, to all of which documents we solicit your immediate attention.

EXTRACT from letter dated 19th February 1875 from Agent, Oriental Bank Corporation, Madras, to the Chief Manager, Oriental Bank Corporation, London.

We note that Mr. Hodgson has drawn against the sum of Rupees 2,071-10-4 amount of London draft in our hands, but we cannot understand why he has drawn for a *half-year's* annuity, which it turns out is not due to him here at all. Under the impression that he may have changed his mind about the place where his annuity should be drawn and made the necessary arrangement through the India Office, London, we forwarded to the Accountant-General the life-certificate enclosed to us by you and asked that official if he was prepared to pay us the last half-year's annuity stated to be due. We enclose copy of his reply informing us no further payment can be made here. He favored us with another copy of the last pay certificate (copy enclosed), original of which was sent to Mr. Hodgson on 30th September last, showing that the last annuity drawn here was up to 30*th April* 1874. There is, therefore, it appears* a quarter's annuity to 31st July last, which must have been drawn in England by Mr. Hodgson under the arrangement settled by himself with the Government. We further hand you copy of Accountant-General's letter to us, dated 19th May last (of which Mr. Hodgson received a copy), stating that a transfer from the Home Treasury or *vice versa* is permitted only once.

*I never received this I had one, and one only, to the 19th February, which I deposited in the India Office.
W. H.

2. It is just probable that the in-coming mail may bring advice from the India Office to the Madras Government that payment of Mr. Hodgson's annuity in England has been transferred. Should such advice not come the first of the bill will be returned to you next mail on receipt of the second, which we shall retain pending further instructions from you.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
27th May 1875.

No. 9625.

Audit Department.

Vide your office letter, No 25-1389, dated 17th February 1875.

The undersigned has the honor to state that, as Mr. W. Hodgson has arranged to draw his annuity in England, no further payment can be made here. A last pay certificate is enclosed.

FORT ST. GEORGE, (Signed) J. E. COOKE,
18*th February* 1875. *Deputy Accountant-General.*

To the Agent, Oriental Bank Corporation.

Certified that Mr. W. Hodgson, late of the Madras Civil Service, has drawn his annuity (through his Agents here) up to 30th April 1874, at the rate of Rupees 2,662-8-0 per quarter, and to no later period, and that further payments have been stopped in this country as this office has been informed that the annuity will be drawn in England.

FORT ST. GEORGE, (Signed) J. E. COOKE,
18*th February* 1875. *Deputy Accountant-General.*

No. 1367.

Audit Department.

Vide your office letter, No. 24-3221, dated 18th May 1874.

The undersigned has the honor to state that Mr. W. Hodgson, C.S., is entitled to a pension of Rupees 10,650 per annum if the payment be made in India ; but transfer from the Home Treasury to an Indian Treasury or *vice versa* is permitted only once.

FORT ST. GEORGE, (Signed) J. E. COOKE,
19*th May* 1874. *Deputy Accountant-General.*

To the Agent, Oriental Bank Corporation.

From W. HODGSON, Esq., Late Madras Civil Service, to the Under Secretary of State for India, dated 11, Gloucester Terrace, Hyde Park Gardens, W., London, 23rd March 1875.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th instant giving cover to Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 11th February 1875. There are two points on which I wish to submit the following observations : the first is as to the Accountant-General's letter, dated 29th January 1875, No. 593, embodied in these Proceedings.

2. When I wished to get a transfer of my annuity to London I was informed in your office that I could do so only by producing a last pay certificate from India. I wrote accordingly to the Madras Agent of the Oriental Bank Corporation for such certificate. His reply, dated 30th September 1874, and the Accountant-General's last pay certificate, dated 28th idem, are still in your office. From the date of this certificate it is clear that it was granted some three months after the Accountant-General took over from the Civil Fund the work connected with the Civil annuities.

3. The second point is with reference to the remark of the Secretary to the Civil Fund in these words : "The Managers were never informed either by Mr. Hodgson or his Agent that the annuity for the period in question (19th February to 30th April 1874) was paid in England." I can only say that I was not aware of it myself till the 2nd November 1874,* and that the Agent may not know it to this date.

* The date on which I drew the money in your office.

Referred to the Accountant-General for report.

24*th April* 1875. (Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary.

No. 222.

No. 68.

MEMORANDUM.

The undersigned has the honor to report that no orders have up to this date been received in this office notifying the desire of Her Majesty's Secretary of State that Mr. Hodgson's annuity should be paid in India. As it appears, however, from these papers that such a request has been made, the Oriental Bank will be at once informed that payment will be made.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
27th April 1875.

(Signed) R. W. LODWICK,
Accountant-General.

No. 223. ORDER THEREON, 27th May 1875, No. 1157.

It will be pointed out to the Accountant-General that the correspondence referred to in the Secretary of State's despatch, dated 23rd December 1874, No. 166, recorded in G.O., dated 23rd January 1875, No. 119, was communicated to him as per his office memorandum, dated 3rd February 1875, and that therefore he was cognizant of the India Office letter, dated 22nd December 1874, to Mr. Hodgson confirming payment of his annuity in India, and sanctioning the refund of £694-10-4 drawn by him in England.

2. The original Order* for payment of Mr. Hodgson's annuity in India was never cancelled, and the Accountant-General was, therefore, not warranted in discontinuing the payment.

* Dated 15th June 1874, No. 998.

3. The payment has, it is observed, been now renewed.

4. The Secretary of State will be informed that it is so, and that the complication in respect of the payment of the annuity is due to the India Office having made payment in England without the usual certificate.

(True Extract.)

Officiating Chief Secretary.

To the Accountant-General.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

Govt. of {1875} Madras.

FINANCIAL.

To

THE ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL.

Dated May, 27th.

Issued

Recd. Encl.

G.O., 27th May 1875, *No.* 1157.

MAY.

Nos. 221–223.

Civil Fund.—Orders passed on a despatch from the Secretary of State respecting the discontinuance of the payment of Mr. W. Hodgson's annuity in India.



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23rd March 1875.
11 Gloucester Terrace
Hyde Park Gardens
London

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th instant giving cover to Proceedings of the Madras Government dated 11th February 1875×

× Returned

There are two points on which I wish to submit the following observations
The first is as to the Accountant General's letter dated 29th January 1875 No 593. embodied in these proceedings.

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The Under Secretary
of State for India

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I have &c

(signed) W. Hodgson

late Madras Civil Service

* The date on which I drew the money in your Office.

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16th March 1875.

11 Gloucester Terrace

Hyde Park Gardens. W.

Sir,

On or about the 23rd December 1874 I was permitted by the Secretary of State for India, in circumstances which I need not recapitulate, to draw my annuity in India, as originally sanctioned on my retirement from the Madras Civil Service on the 18th February 1874.

2. Under the impression that the Madras Government would be apprised of this fact in due course by your Office, as was no doubt the case, I drew on India, through my Bankers in London, for the half-year's annuity due to me from the 1st May to the 31st October 1874. Such Draft was dated on the 15th January 1875 and on its arrival in Madras, the Agent to the Oriental Bank Corporation applied to the Accountant General for the amount* against which it was in part

* Rs. 5325.

The Under Secretary

of State for India

part drawn. The Accountant General's reply, informing the Agent that, as I had drawn my annuity to the 30th April 1874, no more money could be paid me in India accompanies this letter and I also inclose that Officer's last Pay Certificate to that date. I may here remark that if the Accountant General had, in the first instance, sent to the Agent or to myself such Certificate to the 30th April, instead of that which he previously furnished to the Agent (which was to the 19th February and is I believe still in your Office) much of the present difficulty would have been avoided; and, even if he issued one of later date, as the Agent now states it never reached me. It was on the strength of the Certificate of the 19th February that, on the 2nd November last, I drew my annuity in your Office from the 19th February to the 31st October 1874.

3. My Agent at Madras, had nevertheless, as appears clearly from his letter enclosed, drawn my annuity from the 19th February to the 30th April 1874, and

and therefore the amount which ought to have been paid to him in Madras on the receipt of the Secretary of State's Despatch was Rs 5325, being my annuity from the 1st May to the 31st October 1874.

4. The non-payment of the amount up to so late as the 18th February has placed me in the unpleasant position of having my Draft returned by the Agent so far as relates to his being placed in funds by the Accountant General - and of course I cannot account for the delay.

5. The request I have the honor to make, as the sum and substance of the above details, is that the Madras Government may be directed to instruct the Accountant General to disburse to me, through the Oriental Bank Corporation Madras the sum of Rupees 5325 being my annuity from the 1st May to the 31st October 1874, as I find that the Agent of that Bank has drawn my annuity from the 19th February to the 30th April 1874.

6. On the 25th January last I

paid

paid into the Bank of England the sum of £ 694. 10. 4 which had been paid to me by the India Office as the amount of my annuity from the 19th. February to the 31st October 1844.

I have &c

(signed) W. Hodgson

late Madras Civil Service)

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No. 25/5768

Oriental Bank Corporation

London, 16th. March 1845.

Sir,

With reference to your Draft of 15th. January last per Rs. 4396 on our Madras Agent we have to day received an advice, copy of which we enclose for your perusal. We also hand you herewith copies of the Accountant General's letters and the last Pay Certificate to which our Agent refers, to all of which documents we solicit your immediate attention.

Your &c

(signed) (Illegible)

for Chief Manager

2071. 10. 4. Inland O.B.

W. Hodgson Esqre.

Extract from letter dated 19th February 1875 from Agent Oriental Bank Corporation Madras to Chief Manager London

We note that Mr Hodgson has drawn against the sum of R 2071.10.4 amount of London draft in our hands, but we cannot understand why he has drawn for a half years annuity, which it turns out is not due to him here at all. Under the impression that he may have changed his mind about the place where his annuity should be drawn and made the necessary arrangement through the India Office, London, we forwarded to the Accountant General the life Certificate enclosed to us by you, and asked that Official if he was prepared to pay us the last half years annuity stated to be due. We enclose copy of his reply informing us no further payment can be made here. He favored us

us with another copy of the Last Pay Certificate (Copy Enclosed), Original of which was sent to Mr. Hodgson on 30th September last, shewing that the last annuity drawn here was up to 30th April 1874. There is therefore it appears a quarters annuity to 31st* July last which must have been drawn in England by Mr. Hodgson under the arrangement settled by himself with the Government. We further hand you copy of Accountant General's letter to us dated 19th May last (of which Mr. Hodgson received a copy) stating that a transfer from the home Treasury or vice versa is permitted only once.

It is just probable that the incoming mail may bring advice from the India Office to the Madras Government that payment of Mr. Hodgson's annuity in England has been transferred. Should such advice not come the first of the bill will be returned to you next mail on receipt of the second which we shall retain pending further instructions from you.

* I never received this. I had one and one only to the 19th Feb. which I deposited in the India Office. W. H.

No 9625

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Audit Department

Fort St. George

Acc.t General's Office

18th February 1875.

From the Dep.y Acc.t General Madras

To the Agent Oriental Bank Corpor.n

Vide {Your} Office Letter} No 25/1389 dated 17 Feb.y 1875

The undersigned has the honor to state that as Mr. W. Hodgson has arranged to draw his annuity in England no further payment can be made here - a last pay Certificate is enclosed.

(signed) S. E. Cooke

D.y Accountant General

Certified that Mr. W. Hodgson late of the Madras Civil Service has drawn his annuity (through his Agents here) up to 30th April 1874, at the rate of Rs. 2662. 8.- per quarter and to no later period; and that further payments have been stopped in this Country, as this Office has been informed that the annuity will be drawn in England

(signed) L. E. Cooke
Dy Accountant General

Fort St. George
Acct. Gen.l's Office
18th Feb.y 1875

No. 1364.

Audit Department

Fort St. George

Acct. General's Office

19th May 1874

From the Dy Acct. General Madras

To the Agent Oriental Bank Corpor.n

Madras

Vide {Your} Office Letter} No. 24/3221 dated 18th May 1874

The undersigned has the honor to state that M. W. Hodgson C.S. is entitled to a pension of R. 1065 per annum if the payment be made in India But transfer from the home treasury to an Indian Treasury or Vice Versa is permitted only once

(Signed) S. E. Cooke

Dy Accountant Genl.

Telegraphed to Madras 4 Oct 74 No 21 Financial

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Copies of two letters from Mr W. Hodgson, with Enclosures.

Referred in Financial Letter to Madras No 41, dated 24th March 1875

In Dft No 991 1875

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India Office, London.

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3. I request therefore that an early explanation may be afforded of the circumstances under which payment of that Officer's Annuity at Madras has been withheld.-

I have the honor to be,

My Lord.

Your Lordship's most obedient,

humble Servant.

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Memorandum on Despatch from the Secretary of State dated 24th March 1875 - No 41.

This Despatch relates to Mr H. Hodgson's annuity

Mr Hodgson was permitted to retire from the Civil Service on the 17th February 1874. Order No 272, and in his letter embodied in the Proceedings containing the Order, he requested that the annuity may

Despatch with the Auditor. that the correspondence enclosed in the Secretary of State's Despatch No 23. Dated 7th Jan. 1875. was communicated to him - as per his Memo: of 30th Jan. 1875. & that thereupon the Board requisitioned the Secretary's letter of 22. Dec. 74. confirming pay in India & cancelling pay in England & enclosing a draft for the original order for pay in India has been cancelled (as far as I can see) & that therefore the Board is not warranted in discontinuing pay- ments. However that pay has

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2 On the 8th
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Secretary to the
Civil Fund, referring
to the order of
Government above
cited, stated that
Mr Hodgson had
intimated to him
his intention to
draw

Non-payment of Annuity
Enquired.

Informs Secy. of St. that it has to. & that the complt. is due to the L.O. having under the L.O. Govt. in Engd. to transmit a Memorial certifying the circumstances & duties of him -

Informs that in the L.O. granting the annuity the amt. is stated at "Rupees 1,000"

Thinks there are "Arrears" - & Asks that the L.O. for 25 Apr. 74 informed Mr. H. that his annuity in India was "Sic. Rs. 1,085".

Requests to work the complt in forwarding L.O. & Express this. J.B.

Vide G.O. 15th June 1874 N 988

draw his annuity in India through his Agents. This letter was communicated to the Accountant General, and the Secretary of State was informed accordingly.

3. Not until the receipt of the Secretary of State's despatch dated 23rd December 1874 N 166, with copy of correspondence with Mr H. Hodgson, was it known that Mr Hodgson had

+ Pension in accordance with Sec 7 of the Statute 3 & 4 Will. IV. Cap 85

had drawn his annuity from the 19th February to the 30th April 1874 both in England and in India

4 It will be seen from the correspondence alluded to, that Mr Hodgson had on the 29th October 1874, (notwithstanding his letter to this Govt dated 23rd January 1874, and the letter to the Secretary, Civil Fund of subsequent date) sent

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Vide his report
dated 27th April

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× Mr Keene has been called for from Madras-

issued by the Home Government or by this Government-

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L.R. 18/5/75

Civil Dept

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Financial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

papers.

Read the following ~~letter~~ Des:

from the Secretary of State dy 24th March 1875 No 41.

Report of the Ac-countant General. dy 27th April 1875, No 68.

Order thereon. Ordered accordingly. 27th May 1875. No 1157.

It will be pointed out to the Accountant General that the cor-respondence referred to in the Secretary of States' Despatch dated 23rd December 1874, No 166, recorded in P.D. da-ted 23rd January 1875, No 119, was communica-ted to him as per his

his Office Memorandum dated 3rd February 1875, and that therefore he was cognizant of the India Office letter, dated 22nd Decr 1874, to Mr Hodgson confirming payment of his Annuity in India, and sanctioning the refund of £694-10-4 drawn by him in England.

2. The original Order for payment of Mr Hodgson's Annuity in India was never cancelled, and the Accountant General was therefore not warranted in discontinuing the payment.

3. The payment has, it is observed, been now renewed.

4. The Secretary of State will be informed that it is so, and that the complication in respect of the payment of Annuity is due to the India Office having made payment in England without the usual Certificate.

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