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## Government of Madras.

Financial DEPARTMENT.

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**Mr. E. B Powell, M.A., C.S.I.**

No. 199. Read the following letter from E. B. POWELL, Esq., M.A., C.S.I., Director of Public Instruction, Madras, to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 9th February 1875, No. 300 :—

Government have been good enough to sanction my continuing in office till March 1876; circumstances, however, lead me to request that I may be permitted to retire on the afternoon of the 27th proximo.

2. I entered the service of Government in November 1840, though the old High School of which I was Head Master was not formally opened till April 1841; during the interval I was employed in making preliminary arrangements for the establishment of the institution. The total leave I have had, which was solely on sick certificate, does not amount to two years; of this the period of 1 year, 8 months and 28 days is duly entered in my Pension application; in addition, in the early part of 1848, I had leave for a period slightly falling short of three months, the exact dates of the beginning and ending of which cannot be verified from the imperfect records now existing. It will thus be seen that I have served two years longer than the full period of thirty years.

3. Successive sets of rules have been passed for the Uncovenanted Civil Service. Under the old rules of the 4th January 1831, Clause 3, Section 5, I could, if incapacitated, have retired in 1862 as Principal of the Presidency College; and in this case I should have been eligible for a pension of Rupees 6,000 per annum, my salary being then Rupees 12,000 per annum. As it is, I come under Section 59 of the present rules, and it is for Government to recommend such a pension for me, not exceeding a moiety of my average salary for the last five years, as may seem fitting.

4. It is to be observed that since 1862 I have served for twelve years as Head of the Educational Department. Without dwelling upon the cases of Deputy Surgeons-General and other officers of Government, I may remark that, after eleven years and six months' service, the First Judge of a Presidency Small Cause Court is allowed to retire on a pension of £750, or about Rupees 8,180 a-year. I presume the duties of a Director of Public Instruction are not less onerous or less important than those of the First Judge of a Small Cause Court; apart from any other ground, this conclusion may be drawn from a comparison of the salaries of the officers and their positions in the Table of Precedency, in regard to both of which the Director stands before the First Judge.

5. I trust I shall be excused for placing the foregoing considerations before Government. The prescribed form of application accompanies this letter.

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No. 200. ORDER THEREON, 20th March 1875, No. 623.

Resolved that Mr. Powell's application be transferred to the Pension Department where the maximum ordinary pension of Rupees 5,000 a-year, as per certificate of the Accountant-General, will be passed to him from 28th March 1875, the date of his retirement. At the same time, in consideration of Mr. Powell's long and

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exceptionally meritorious services, His Excellency the Governor in Council will have great pleasure in recommending that the sanction of the Secretary of State may be obtained to the grant of a special pension of £750.

(True Extract.)

*Chief Secretary.*

To E. B. Powell, Esq., M.A., C.S.I.
To the Pension Department, with Register.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

Govt. of [1875] Madras.

FINANCIAL.

To

MR. E. B. POWELL, M.A., C.S.I.,

&c., &c.

*Dated March 20th.*

*Read.*

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*G.O., 20th March 1875, No. 623.*

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MARCH.

Nos. 199–201.

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*Mr. E. B. Powell, M.A., C.S.I., Director of Public Instruction, Madras.*—His application for pension transferred to the Pension Department, and that Department ordered to pass to him the maximum ordinary pension of Rupees 5,000 a-year from 28th March 1875, the date of his retirement. Application made to the Secretary of State, through the Government of India, for the grant to him of an exceptional pension of £750 per annum.

Pension Department.

No. 99

From

E. B. Powell Esqre

Dated 9th February 1875.

FOR ORDERS.

Submitted for orders with reference to Mr. Powell's claim for a higher rate of Pension.

Civil Pension Code Section 59– In the following cases, the several prescribed maximum limits of Rs 2000, Rs 3000, Rs 4000, and Rs 5000 a year may be relaxed:

(a)– For an Officer whose average emoluments exceed Rs 1000 a year, and who entered the Service before the 19th May 1856, or who was, before the 6th August 1862, promoted to a Salary exceeding Rs 10,000 a year, the maximum pension is, ordinarily, Rs 6000–

But, if the Service of such an officer has been of extraordinary merit, a pension exceeding Rs 6000 may be recommended for the sanction of the Secretary of State.–

This must be covered in Council.

Exceptional pensions have been granted – Length of Service & Special benefits to native Govt: & his Early career. On this point see – Send up the Proceedings of the

late meeting.
He has failed as
Dir: of P.S. I hold but that
has been the fault of Hon
Gs promoted him
27/2 [illegible]

Council. I did say that Mr Powell's
services have been of great
value, and would recommend
4/5 a liberal pension

I think Mr Powell's claims
are of very great strength -
and I would recommend
them very liberally - As Director
of Public Instruction his

services have not been so great
in the Province since the passing
of Education by the Grant
Funds Act - but I would
not let this detract from
the Eminent services he
has rendered the State

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FOR ORDERS.

Educ[l] Dept

D/o letter from Mr Powell, Director of Pub. Instr[n] d/ 26/10/4.

I w[d] certainly recommend the higher rate suggested

Z/10

J. A.S

29/11.

MD

29/11

A prospect of his intended retirement in April (probably earlier) Mr Powell inquires whether Gov[t] will recommend him for any higher pension than the Rules entitle him to draw?

The maximum for Uncovenanted Officers, unless there is a special provision for them [which] is not the case for Directors of Pub. Instr[n] is 5000 R[s] a year, it being open to Gov[t] to recommend a higher grant in any case.

He hints that he is deserving of 7500 or — for he wants it in sterling coin — £750.

I believe the Gov[t] will be willing to make that recommendation in his favour & beg to ask if I may tell him so. The issue rests with the Indian Office. DF. 29/10/4

Education Comt

Memo for orders -

Mr Powell's Pension.

Madras 13/
26/10/74

My dear Carmichael

As you are probably aware, Govt have permitted me, the 55 years rule notwithstanding, to continue in office till March 1876. I am satisfied, however, I shall not be able to remain in harness till that time; indeed I feel it will be for the advantage of Education, as well as agreeable to myself, to retire about April next, and this is what I contemplate doing.

I entered the service of Govt in Nov 1840, through the old

High School, of which I was Head
Master, was not formally
opened till April 1841; during the
interval I was engaged in making
preliminary arrangements. The only
leave taken by me has been on
sick certificate, and does not
amount to two years; consequently
I have served longer than the
whole period of thirty years.

Successive sets of rules have
been framed for the Governmental
Civil Service. Under the old rules of
1831, with supplementary regulations, I
could have retired in 1862 as
Principal of the Presidency College

on half my salary, which was
then Rs 1000 per mensem. So it is,
I come under the exceptions in
Section 59 of the present rules,
but it is for Govt to recommend
such a pension for me, not ex-
ceeding the half of my present
salary, as may seem appropriate. It
is to be recollected that, since
the date above specified, I have
served for twelve years as Head
of the Educational Department.
After eleven years and six months
service, the Puisne Judge of a Presidency
Small Cause Court is entitled
to a pension of £750 a year.

The duties of a Sec. of Pub. Instr.
are certainly not less onerous or
less important than those of a
1st Judge of a Supreme Court;
and, throwing out my twenty-two
years service as Head Master of
the old High School and Principal
of the Providency College, I have
the more service to show as
Visitor than is required from a
1st Judge for his pension. I feel sure
the relative importance of the
functions of a 1st Judge and of
a Visitor, as estimated by Govt,
is indicated by the salaries of
the offices and their positions

in the Table of Precedency.

I write in my most diffident
if you will ascertain Lord Glenie-
-officially with my purpose of
retiring, and give me a hint
as to how I should proceed
so as to have the amount of
my pension settled as early as
practicable; as it is quite possible
I may feel compelled to retire
before April, though I am anxious
to hold on till then if I can.

In settling the amount
of my pension, I am very desirous

it should be fixed in
pounds sterling; this has
been done in several cases.

Pray excuse my troubling
you; and

believe me

Yours faithfully

S B Ponder

The Hon^ble E. F. Carmichael
acting Sec^y to Govt

Wm. E. B. Powell

Proceedings of a meeting held at Madras

Through the Acct. General

PA&C

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Accountant-General's Office
Recd 11 2 1875
Answd

No 300.

From

THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,
*Madras.*

To

THE ACTING CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
*Fort Saint George.*

SIR,

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5. I trust I shall be excused for placing the foregoing considerations before Government. The prescribed Form of application accompanies this letter.

Office of the Director of Public Instruction,
MADRAS, 9th *February* 1875.

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

*Director of Public Instruction.*

Monday

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~~Education~~ Pension Department.

*PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.*

Read the following letter

E.B. Powell Esq, C.S.I.
From the Director of Public Instruction Madras
dated 9th February 1875 No. 300

Order thereon 20th March/75 No 623

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To — E. B. Powell Esqre C.S.I.
To the Pension Department with Regr. Endsp. 25/3.
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Order 19th March 1875

From
The Director of Public Instruction,
*Madras.*

No. 298 1875.

To
The Acting Chief Secretary to
Government,
*Fort Saint George.*

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Dated 9th February 1875.

Received 25th March 1875.

No. 300.

No.

Sanction for £ 623 & 624

Sending in an application for pension on behalf of the Director of Public Instruction and bringing certain circumstances to notice in connexion with his service.

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Govt. of {1875} Madras.

Fin.

To

Mr. E B Powell. C.S.I.

Dated 20 } March 1875, No. 123
Recd. }

Nos. 199-201.

Mr. E. B. Powell. C.S.I. Director of Pub. Instr., Madras

Rio appn for pension transp. to the Pension Dept & that Dept: ordered to pay to him the maximum ordinary pension of Rs 5000 a year from 28th March 1875 the date of his retirement. Appln under report to the Secy. of State thereupon the S of S for the grant to him of an exceptional pension of £750 per annum.