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Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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for the month of February 1860.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 54. From GEO. PEARSE, Esq., M. D., Director General, Medical Department; to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 7th January 1860, No. 4.

The Medical Officer in charge of the Penitentiary having submitted an appeal from Apothecary S. Jones attached to that institution, representing the disadvantage under which he labors, in being subjected to a deduction of 15 Rupees a month on account of House rent, while occupying public quarters, stoppages at that rate have been made from his pay for October last, from the 6th June 1859, amounting to Rupees 57½, and soliciting an exemption from the charge, and a refund of the stoppages, I have the honor to explain for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council, that the Order of Government, dated 26th August 1856, ruled, that the Apothecary nominated to the Penitentiary should reside on the premises, accommodation being provided for him, and that subsequent to his appointment he was provided with free quarters till 30th May 1858. From June 1858 to June 1859, in consequence of a want of accommodation, the Apothecary was allowed to reside outside, making his own arrangements, until the present public quarters were erected near the Jail. In consideration of the nature of the duties of the resident Apothecary, whose presence is required day and night, no option being allowed him in the selection of a residence, and as Apothecary Jones is a very deserving public servant who has borne an exemplary character during a service extending to 30 years, I beg to submit his application to the favorable consideration of Government for a remission of house rent, and a refund of the stoppages made.

Referred for the report of the Military Auditor General.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,

Chief Secretary.

11th January 1860.

No. 55.

B.

In returning the correspondence noted in the margin, referred for report by Order of Government, dated 11th Instant, the Military Auditor General would observe that there are instances on record of Government having for special reasons exempted Warrant Officers from the forfeiture of the regulated house rent when in occupation of public quarters.

2. An application very similar to the present one was reported on by this office in letter B, 5th February 1856, and though Government were pleased to remit the stoppages of house rent from the pay of Apothecary Gorman attached to the Lying-in-Hospital, the indulgence was granted not in consequence of the insufficiency or unsuitability of the quarters found him, but on account of the very high testimony borne by the Medical Officer in charge. The exemption is therefore merely personal, and will cease on another Medical subordinate relieving Mr. Gorman.

3. It remains for Government to decide whether sufficient reason has been adduced by the Director General of the Medical Department to warrant a departure from a regulation, affecting in principle both Commissioned and Warrant Officers of all Arms of the service.

4. The Military Auditor General would in conclusion add that the quarters of the Apothecary attached to the Penitentiary, have been lately built, are very commodious, and such as

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certainly could not be procured in Madras for the sum monthly recovered from Mr. Jones' pay, Rupees fifteen.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
20th January 1860. }

(Signed) J. J. LOSH, Lieut. Colonel,
Military Auditor General.

To the Chief Secretary to Government.

No. 56. ORDER THEREON, 27th February 1860, No. 236.

The Government see no special grounds for exempting Apothecary S. Jones from the deduction of house rent charged for the public quarters provided for the Medical subordinate attached to the Penitentiary.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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*The Director General,
Medical Dept. with enclosure
returned 2/13.*