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Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
for the month of April 1860.*

Read again letter from the Government of India, dated 20th January 1860, No. 245, and recorded in Proceedings, 25th February 1860, No. 226.

Read also the following papers:—

No. 7. From R. DAVIDSON, Esq., Officiating Magistrate of Ganjam, to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 30th March 1860, No. 50.

With reference to the Proceedings of Government, under date the 25th February last, No. 226, I have the honor to report, for the information of Government, that I cannot discover that any rules have as yet been passed relative to the grant of pensions to the Military Police of this District.

In a few exceptional instances only, wherein quelling serious disturbances in the District Armed Police men have received severe wounds or other injuries while
• 12th January 1831. actively engaged, have pensions been granted by Government; the dates
24th February 1835. of the special Orders of Government granting the pensions referred to are noted in the margin.*

No. 8. From E. G. R. FANE, Esq., Agent to the Governor, Vizagapatam, to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 24th March 1860, No. 115.

With reference to the Order of Government, dated 25th February last, No. 226, I have the honor to state, that there are no pensions granted to the Military Police of this District.

2. Gratuity was advocated by my predecessor in the case of
4th October 1858, No. 53. the families of certain men of the Sibendy Corps who died of sickness contracted on field service, but Government disallowed it in
Extract Minutes Consultation dated 10th November 1858.

No. 9. From A. PURVIS, Esq., Magistrate of the Gódaavari District, to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 15th March 1860, No. 111.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Order of Government, dated 25th ultimo, calling for report as to what rules, if any, have yet been passed relative to the grant of pensions to the Military Police in this District, and in reply to state that since the formation of the Rajahmundry Sibbāndi Corps, no instance has occurred of any one belonging to it having been killed or wounded in the execution of his duty, and no rules have therefore been passed on the subject.

No. 10. From WILLIAM KNOX, Esq., Magistrate of Krishna District, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 7th March 1860, No. 106.

With reference to the Proceedings of Government, dated 25th ultimo, No. 226, I have the honor to report that no pensions are granted to the Sebundies of Guntūr or Masulipatam.

No. 11. From G. THORNHILL, Esq., Acting Collector of Kurnool, to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 22nd March 1860, No. 11.

With reference to the Proceedings of the Madras Government under date the 25th ultimo, No. 226, I have the honor to report that the Officer Commanding the Kurnool Irregular Horse states that there are no rules in existence relative to the grant of pensions to the men of that Corps.

To the Families

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No. 12. From P. GRANT, Esq., Magistrate of Malabar, to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Judicial Department, Fort Saint George, dated 12th March 1860, No. 23.

In reply to the Proceedings of Government and their Order thereon, of date the 25th ultimo, No. 226, I have the honor to state, that the rule laid down by Government in reference to the grant of pensions to the Privates and Native Officers of the Police Corps in this District, is that they should be allowed the same rates of pension as are granted to those in the Regular Army.

2. Since this rule was passed, there has been only one instance in which it has been acted upon.

Under date the 3rd August 1859, I submitted to Government, with my recommendation, a proposal from the Commandant of the Corps for the bestowal of a pension on the heirs—the daughter and widow—of two Native Officers, a Jemadar and a Havildar, who died when engaged on foreign service in North Canara.

Proceedings and Order of Government, dated 8th September 1859, No. 1208.

3. The Government acceded to the proposal, and ruled that the "amounts should not bear a higher proportion to the pay of the deceased Officers than is borne by pensions given to heirs of Native Officers of corresponding ranks in the Regular Army who have died of disease on foreign service, to the pay of such Officers."

4. Acting upon the spirit of this ruling, I recommended a pension of Rupees 4-8-0 to the heir of each of the two Officers adverted to. This rate of pension, so far as the widow of the Havildar was concerned, was a little in excess of what she would be entitled to under the above rule, but it was recommended under special circumstances. Owing to the very high prices of the ordinary necessities of life, a less sum than Rupees 4-8-0 would not suffice for her maintenance.

The Government accorded their sanction to this rate of pension to both the heirs, under date the 4th January 1860.

No. 13. From WILLIAM ROBINSON, Esq., Inspector General of Mufassil Police, to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 10th March 1860.

With reference to Government Order, No. 226, dated 25th February 1860, I have the honor to state that I am not aware of any rule of general application having been issued in regard to the pension and family provision for Policemen killed and wounded in the execution of their duty.

2. Government has from time to time, under special sanction, granted such provision to the families of men killed and wounded in the service, and at varying rates which will be instanced by the several Magistrates who will report on the precedents existing in their respective Districts.

3. I beg now most earnestly to solicit the attention of Government, to the importance of this reference from the Supreme Government, with a view to placing the Madras Police Force on equally favorable footing with the Police Corps in Bengal and elsewhere.

4. The men are enlisted to relieve the Military of much of their irksome duty in suppressing local disturbance and maintaining order; and they are subjected by law to severe penalties for cowardice. In countries like Malabar, in the Districts along the Hyderabad frontier, in North Canara, and even in other Districts, the Police have been, and may again be, exposed to loss of life in the performance of duty, and I consider that the whole Force is fairly entitled to the boon now solicited.

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5. For ordinary pension and gratuity, a Superannuation Fund has been established in the Force; but it will not be able to bear the burden of "wound and family pensions," for which provision should, in justice, be specially made by the State in whose service life or limb is lost.

6. The demand will not be large in this Presidency; but the certainty of family pension being granted by Government in case of being killed or disabled in execution of their duty, will greatly add to the confidence, boldness and efficiency of the men, and to the usefulness and respectability of the Force.

No. 14. ORDER THEREON, 21st April 1860, No. 480.

The Magistrate of the Districts, in which Sibandi Corps exist, report, in the first six of the letters recorded above, on the subject of pensions to the families of the men serving in them.

2. In regard to the Kurnool Irregular Horse, it is to be noticed that there have been two instances of pensions having been granted to the families of men, who had been killed on service. In 1847, the Government of India sanctioned the grant of a pension of Rupees 5 a month to the widow of a Sawar, who was killed in the operations against the insurgent Poligar, Narsimha Reddy, and recently in 1859, in the case of another Sawar who was mortally wounded by the Rohillas at Kolakoola in the Doopaud Taluq.

Extract Minutes Consultation, 28th October 1846, No. 665, and 1st June 1847, No. 401.

Proceedings, 17th June 1859, No. 835.

3. The Inspector General of Police will be referred to an Extract from a Despatch from the Secretary of State to the Government of India, dated 21st April 1859, No. 33, published in the Fort Saint George Gazette.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

No. 15. To the Secretary to the Government of India, dated Fort Saint George, 21st April 1860, No. 481.

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Officiating Under Secretary Chapman's letter of the 20th January last, forwarding a copy of a Resolution passed by the President in Council on the subject of pensions to the families of men serving in the Military Police, and inquiring what rules obtain in such matters in the Madras Presidency.

2. In reply I am desired to state that the bodies of Military Police in this Presidency are the following:

- 1.—The Goomsoor Sibbendies.
- 2.—The Vizagapatam do.
- 3.—The Godavari (Rajahmundry) Sibbendies.
- 4.—The Kistna (Masulipatam) do.
- 5.—The Kurnool Irregular Horse.
- 6.—The Malabar Police Corps.

3. In the four first of the above bodies there are no rules for granting pensions to the men of the force nor to their families, nor have any such pensions been granted. As regards the Goomsoor Sibbendies indeed it appears that in the year 1831 pensions were granted to a Duffadar and Peon who were disabled by wounds received in the execution of their duty. This however was a year or two before the Corps was regularly organized, and the cases were quite exceptional.

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To the Government of India, 28th October 1846,
No. 666.

From do. 14th May 1847, No. 1,076.

To do. 20th April 1859, No. 550.

From do. 30th May 1859, No. 1,090.

4. The rules for the Kurnool Irregular Horse do not provide for the grant of pensions. In two instances however, viz., in 1846 and 1859, pensions have been granted to the families of men who had been killed on service.

5. By the rules of the Malabar Police Corps, the Privates and Native Officers are, in case of casualty in action, entitled to the same rate of pension as in the Regular Army. This rule has been acted on in the only two instances that have yet occurred, and pensions have been granted to the heirs of two men, who died of disease contracted on foreign service in North Canara. It should, however be observed that the Malabar Police Corps is a peculiar one, and was raised for a special, and what might be a dangerous, service that of repressing Moplah outbreaks.

6. The Government however observe that in a late Despatch Financial Department No. 33 of 1859, 21st April, paragraph 4, the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India has approved the proposition made by the Supreme Government for granting to the widows and children of Policemen, killed in the execution of their duty, pensions not exceeding $\frac{1}{3}$ ds of the pay of the deceased. It is presumed that this order will apply to men of the Military Police as well as to other Policemen.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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Proceedings of the Madras Govt.

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Recorded in Pro: 25th Feb.
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Gangam ————— Entry 30th Mar. '60 No. 50.

" do — Viragapattam —————	24 th do —————	115.
" do — Godawari —————	15 th do —————	111.
" do — Krishna —————	7 th do —————	106.
" do — Kurnool —————	22 nd do —————	11.
" do — Malabar —————	12 th do —————	23.
the Inspector Gene- ral of Police —————	10 th do —————	x.

Order. 21st April 1860. No. 400.

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Page 389. Vol. II of 1859.

The Inspector General
of Police.

Magistrate of Kurnool.

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Proceedings of Court

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- noted that this order
will apply to men of the
Militia Police ^{at the}
as well as to

to the Police men
J.P.

July 1881

20 April

Judicial 1880 (Defendant)

No. 181

Re: The case to the Court of
Justice

1/21 April 1880
G. A. 1559.

It is submitted, the information
is given for on the subject
of granting licenses to the
holders of men dressing
in the Military College and
Regimental Bala, and in
which matters is the
necessary.

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