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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department, 15*th October* 1861.

No. 55. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Military Department, dated 27th September 1861, No. 3,479.

Approving and recommending the adoption, by the Principal Inspector General Medical Department, of the course proposed by the Controller of Military Finance to the effect of his being furnished by the former with a list of the removals and postings of Medical Subordinates before such are ordered, in view to his bringing the subject, if necessary, under the notice of Government in its financial bearings.

(Vide Proceedings Military Department, dated 27th September 1861, Nos. 703—705.)

No. 56. ORDER THEREON, 15th October 1861, No. 1,261.

To be recorded.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

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MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letters:—

From the Military Auditor General and Controller of Military Finance, Fort Saint George, 7th September 1861, *B; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.*

I beg leave to bring to your notice, for submission to Government, a question involving Military Expenditure, which it appears to me should be brought more under the cognizance of Government than it now is.

2. I allude to the removals and postings of Medical Subordinates, and especially with reference to those which appeared in the Gazette of the 3rd September 1861, page 289.

3. It will be observed that several of the removals are to and from places beyond seas.

4. Such removals involve a considerable expenditure for free passages, for the parties themselves, and also for their families.

5. I do not bring the subject under notice with any view to questioning the expediency or necessity for such removals on public grounds, but merely that when they involve considerable expenditure, the Government should be made aware of the cost, before the expenditure is incurred.

6. With this view I would suggest that, in future, before such removals and postings are ordered, that the Principal, Inspector General Medical Department should forward to me a list thereof, in order that I might have the opportunity, if necessary, of bringing the subject under the notice of Government in its financial bearings.

7. As connected in some measure with this subject, I would also desire to bring to notice, that the removal of Medical Subordinates and Officers, also Offices, from the Civil to the Military branches of the Service and vice versa, causes considerable inconvenience under the present Budget system, as it involves the transfer of Funds from the Civil to the Military Budget to meet the change—such transfers requiring the sanction of Civil and Military Finance Departments in Calcutta.

8. I am aware that they are in many cases unavoidable, but I would suggest that they should not be resorted to, except in emergent cases.

Referred to the Principal Inspector General Medical Department, for remark.

10th September 1861.

From the Principal Inspector General Medical Department, Fort Saint George, 23rd September 1861, *No.* 147; *to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, Fort Saint George.*

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a letter (noted marginally) referred to me for remark, with your Office docket dated 10th instant, and to state for the information of Government, that the question of the removals and re-postings of the Subordinate Medical Department, though not presented to me before in its financial bearings, has had my most earnest consideration on departmental accounts, because great inconvenience and delay occur to the public service by such removes. It is, then, only on account of absolute necessity that they are made; and on a careful re-examination of the removals and postings, made at my instance, which appeared in the Official Gazette of 3rd September last, I can see none which were avoidable. Those sent beyond sea, which involved expense on account of Passage Money, were to relieve Subordinates who had been many years out of India,* and had applied to be relieved, to which they were entitled by the usage of the service. One was re-called from Burmah on account of the reduction of the Force there. The greater number of the moves of the 3rd September were in consequence of the admission into the ranks, of a number of Assistant Apothecaries who had passed out from the Medical College, for whom posts had to be found, and their posting involved removal of older members elsewhere.

From the Military Auditor General and Controller of Military Finance, herewith returned.

**Two for seven years.*
One for four years.

2. If it is the pleasure of Government, I shall be prepared to render a list of those removals which I may hereafter contemplate, in order to their financial bearings being supervised by the Controller of Military Finance.

3. With regard to the subject named in paragraph 7 of the letter under remark, I beg to state that, constituted as the Medical Subordinate Department is, Civil and Military appointments having to be filled from one body of men, it must often happen that transfers from one to the other will unavoidably have to be made; sometimes for the good of the Service, sometimes to meet the reasonable desires of individuals who apply for a change, and which are considered deserving of consideration; but, in future, the inconvenience pointed out by the Controller of Finance, will be borne in view, and transfers restricted as much as possible.

ORDER, No. 3479, *27th September* 1861.

The Governor in Council approves of the course proposed in paragraph 6 of the Controller's letter, which will accordingly be adopted by the Principal Inspector General in future.

2. Government are of opinion that the transfers referred to by Dr. Cole, in the last paragraph of his letter, should be resorted to as little as possible, in fact, confined to cases of promotion, when it is impossible longer to continue the individual in the Civil branch of the Service.

(True Extract.)

Secretary to Government.

To the Controller of Military Finance.
" Principal Inspector General Medical Department.
" Adjutant General.
" Public Department,
" Judicial Department, } for information.
" Revenue Department,

Exd. T. Stubbs.

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Approving & recommending the adoption by the Principal Hospl Staff Medl Officer of the Course proposed by the Controller of Guilty Finance in the Effect of this being furnished by the former with a list of the removals & Postings of Medl Subordinates before the same ordered, in view to this bringing the Subject if necessary under the notice of Govt in its Financial Aspect

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