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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
11th August 1862.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 94. From Lieutenant Colonel C. COOKE, Deputy Adjutant General of the Army; to A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Esq., Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 19th June 1862, No. 534.

With reference to paragraph 2 of the Order of Government, dated 5th instant, No. 878, I have the honor, by order of the Commander-in-Chief, to forward for submission to His Excellency the Governor in Council the accompanying Extracts from Orders by the Officer Commanding Centre Division, from which it will be seen that the payments made to Mr. Bruce, late Commandant of the Andaman Sebundees, were for the use of that Corps; to be adjusted on regular Abstracts.

Extracts from Garrison and Division Orders by Major General McCLEVERTY, Commanding Troops, dated

21st October 1861.

I. The Military Paymaster at the Presidency is authorized to advance on receipts of the Commandant of the Andaman Sebundy Corps, the sum of Company's Rupees (654-12-9) six hundred and fifty-four, Annas twelve, and Pice nine, for the use of that Corps. The amount to be adjusted at the Presidency on regular Abstract hereafter.

30th November 1861.

II. The Military Paymaster at the Presidency is authorized to advance on receipt of the Commandant of the Andaman Sebundy Corps, the sum of Company's Rupees (550-1-5) five hundred and fifty, Anna one, and Pice five, for the use of that Corps, which is to be adjusted at the Presidency on regular Abstract hereafter.

3rd December 1861.

I. The Military Paymaster at the Presidency is authorized to advance on receipt of the Commandant of the Andaman Sebundy Corps, the sum of Rupees (538) five hundred and thirty-eight, being pay for the month of November 1861 for the men still borne upon the rolls of that Corps. The advance to be adjusted at the Presidency hereafter on regular Abstract.

23rd December 1861.

III. The Military Paymaster at the Presidency is authorized to advance on receipt of the undermentioned Officer as below specified; the amount to be adjusted at the Presidency.

Commandant of the Andaman Sebundy Corps. { The sum of Rupees (20-5-3) twenty, Annas five, and Pice three, for the use of that Corps.

4th January 1862.

II. The Military Paymaster at the Presidency is authorized to advance on receipt of the undermentioned Officer, as below specified. The advance to be adjusted hereafter on regular Abstract.

Commandant of the Andaman Sebundy Corps. { The sum of Rupees (416-8) four hundred and sixteen, and Annas eight, for the use of that Corps.

7th February 1862.

VI. The Military Paymaster at the Presidency is authorized to advance on receipt of the undermentioned Officer, as below specified. The advance to be adjusted at the Presidency hereafter.

G. M. Bruce, Commandant Andaman Sebundy Corps, pending the Orders of Government. } Pay for January 1862.

17th February 1862.

VIII. The Military Paymaster at the Presidency is authorized to advance on receipt of the undermentioned Officer, as below specified. The advance to be adjusted at the Presidency hereafter.

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G. M. Bruce, Commandant of the Andaman
Sebundy Corps.

The sum of Rupees (12-3-1) twelve, Annas
three, and Pice one, being balance of pay
due to Private Esoph Khan late of that
Corps, transferred to the Pension Establish-
ment.

(True Extracts.)

(Signed) C. S. ELLIOT,
Brigade Major.

No. 95. From W. J. RAYNOR, Esq., Officiating Civil Paymaster; to A. J. ARBUTH-
NOT, Esq., Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 29th
July 1862, No. 1,064.

With reference to the Order of Government, No. 878 of the 5th June last, Judicial Depart-
ment, I have the honor to state that the Abstracts of the Andaman Sebundy Corps from August
1859 to November 1860 and from September to December 1861, have been examined with their
Muster Rolls, which have now been received; but I have deferred passing them pending the
settlement of certain objectionable items included therein. These objectionable items consist of
the sums noted in the margin. The first being on account of clothing allowance is debitable

Clothing for Serjeant Major and a Havildar, Rupees 32-0-0
Salary of Mr. Bruce, and Serjeant Major, Sta-
tionery and House rent. " " " 843-11-8
Petty sums in the several Bills. " " " 204-0-0

*No. 56, dated 14th May 1862.

Orders of Government. The third comprises small sums in the various Bills, for which expla-
nation has been called for, but not yet furnished by Mr. Bruce.

2nd. Of the sum of Rupees 2,521-14-6 referred to in the Military Accountant's letter of
the 10th April 1862, the four Bills noted in the margin, amounting to
Rupees 2,159-6-2 are for the pay of the Corps from October to December 1861,
and include the sum of Rupees 843-11-8, the second of the foregoing items
objected to by this Office on account of salary drawn by Mr. Bruce and the
Serjeant Major, for a period subsequent to the disbandment of the Corps, viz., from
23rd October to 31st December 1861.

Rs.	A.	P.
264	12	0
550	1	5
538	0	0
416	8	0

3rd. I am unable to furnish any information regarding the items noted in
the margin, also referred to by the Military Accountant, as they were not re-
trenched by this Office.

4th. If Government are pleased to accept Mr. Bruce's explanation relative
to the item of Rupees 843-11-8 and to sanction the same, there will then remain
Rupees 236 to be adjusted by him on the Abstracts received up to the present time in this Office
for audit, besides the sums alluded to in the preceding paragraph.

5th. The Abstracts from December 1860 to August 1861, have not as yet reached me.

From Mr. G. M. BRUCE, Late Commandant Andaman Sebundy Corps; to the Paymaster
Presidency, Fort Saint George, dated St. Thomas' Mount, 14th May 1862, No. 56.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 34, of the 5th May 1862,
giving cover to the Abstracts marginally noted,
and calling upon me to pay into the Bank of
Madras, certain retrenchments alluded to in
letter No. 343, dated 20th March 1862, to your address, from the Officiating Civil Paymaster.

2nd. With reference to the retrenchment on account of Serjeant Major Kenna's pay from
23rd October to 30th November 1861, I have the honor to state that no final Order of Govern-
ment in the Military Department having been passed at that time for the future disposal of
Serjeant Major Kenna, he was borne on the Roll of the Andaman Sebundy Corps, until the 30th

4 Abstracts for January 1862.
4 " " February "

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November 1861; was transferred to the 52nd Regiment N. I., from the 1st December 1861, and
ceased to draw pay with the Sebundies from that period. Under these circumstances, I beg to
submit that I was justified in drawing pay for the Serjeant Major until his case had been dis-
posed of.

3rd. With reference to the retrenchment on account of my pay from 23rd October to 31st
December 1861, I have the honor to call your attention to paragraph 1 of the Order of Govern-
ment, No. 364, of the 4th March 1862, in which it was ruled that I would have no claim to the
allowances of Commandant after the disbandment of the Corps, and after I had ceased to do
duty. With advertence to the decision of Government passed in the paragraph referred to, I
respectfully beg to observe that I cannot, literally, be considered as having ceased to do duty
until the 13th January 1862. Up to that period, ten Native Commissioned and Non-Commis-
sioned Officers were still borne upon the books of the Andaman Sebundy Corps, and I had to
make out every month the usual Rolls, Abstracts, and Returns, in the same form as if the Corps
had been at its full strength; pay, also, had to be drawn, and issued to those men. On the 13th
January 1862, they were transferred, in G. O. C. C. No. 3, to different Regiments of the Line,
and I had to furnish each of them with last Pay Certificates, and with all the transfer documents
which are requisite when men are transferred from one Corps to another.

4th. I hope that a lenient view of my case will be taken and that the retrenchment against
me will be withdrawn.

No. 96. ORDER THEREON, 11th August 1862, No. 1,284.

The Civil Paymaster states that the passing of the Abstracts of the Andaman Sebundies is
deferred pending the settlement of certain objectionable items. The Governor in Council requests
him to submit a copy of his application, requiring Mr. Bruce to adjust the amount, Rupees 32,
which "being on account of clothing allowance is debitable to the Military Department," and also
a statement in detail of the petty sums in the several bills aggregating Rupees 204.

The item, Rupees 843-11-8, appears to consist of the Serjeant Major's pay from 23rd Octo-
ber to 30th November last, and the Commandant's allowances from the same date to 31st Decem-
ber.

3. The Andaman Sebundy Corps was disbanded on the 22nd October 1861, and Ser-
jeant Major Kenna was by G. O. C. C., 28th November, transferred to act as Serjeant Major
of the 52nd Regiment N. I. The Adjutant General will ascertain and report what allowances
were received by the Serjeant Major for the interval between the abolition of the one office,
and his taking charge of the new appointment.

4. In regard to Mr. Bruce, it is observed that the Government of India have decided
since the passing of the Orders of the 4th March last, No. 364, that "he should be re-transfer-

"red to the list of Effective Supernumeraries
in the rank he held prior to his being appointed
to the command of the Corps." The Adju-

tant General will report on what date Mr. Bruce was re-transferred to the Effective Supernume-
raries, and became entitled to pay on that list in the Military Department.

5. The Military Accountant will report on paragraph 3 of the Civil Paymaster's letter.
It is observed that a sum of Rupees 271-12-9 is in deposit with the Paymaster, Presidency, and
may be appropriated towards adjusting Abstracts or any demands on account of retrenchments.

6. With reference to the last paragraph
of his letter, Mr. Raynor is informed that, in
his letter, 3rd September 1861, No. 446, the

Proceedings, 15th October 1862, No. 1,202.

Superintendent, Port Blair, intimated "that the accounts of the Corps had been adjusted to
31st August."

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

31 July 1862

My dear Mr. Weston

The following are the
preliminary allowances and
Salary drawn by Mr. Puce in
this office.

Pay at large & effective supernumeraries with compensation in lieu of factions per member	} 29-15-8
Salary at per K.	
Total	149-15-8
by and allowances of a by grant Major of Native infantry	53-5-4
	<u>RS 96 10 4</u>

The last sum gives the
ly sustained by Mr. Bruce
by leaving his situation for the
Command of the Andaman
Islands, which the increase
pay he drew for so short a
period is but a poor recompense

Yours truly
M. S.

Memo.

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The Andaman Sebn.
dies, consisting of One
Company, was raised
for service at Port Blair.
The cost was a charge
against the Govt. of
India.

2. The Corps was ^{not more} ~~more~~
than 2 years at Port Blair,
when it was sent back
to be disbanded.

Pro: 22nd Nov. '61 N^o: 1436.

3. The main body, who
were enlisted for the
Corps, were paid up
& discharged on the
22nd Oct. '61.

Pro: 9th Dec. '61 N^o: 1511.

4. The Native Officers of the
Corps, who belonged to
the Madras Army, con-
tinued to draw pay,
until they were either
pensioned, or retrans-
ferred to Native Regts.

Correll

Sergeant's pay
with compensation
in lieu of rations
Clerk's salary

29.15.8
120

Sebundies. This rank was a Sergeant of Artillery employed as a clerk in the Adjutant Genl's Office.

+ Pay R. 149.15.8

+ Pay R. 53.5.4

He is now Sergeant Major, 38th N. S.

5. The Sergeant Major was a European Soldier, & as he had ^{not} been a full year away from his Regt., he was at once taken back into the Army, & was entitled to no pay as Sergeant Major of the Andaman Corps subsequent to the 22nd Oct. '61.

Pros: 15th Mar. '62 N^o 435.

Memorandum
Before appointment to the Sebundies Mr. Bruce drew R. 149.15.8 - On appointment R. 300 - On breaking up of the Corps, 22nd Oct. '61 till being made Sgt. Major, he is ^{as a matter} now stand entitled to R. 29.15.8. He now draws R. 53.5.4.

8. In his present petition, Mr. Bruce prays that he may be granted the same indulgence as was shown to the Commanding Officers of ^{the} Right Regiment of Native Infantry that were recently disbanded, viz., to be allowed to draw six months' command allowances.

6. The Commandancy was an Uncovenanted Office, & ~~Mr. Bruce~~ ^{the Govt.} held that ~~he~~ ^{he} had no claim to the allowances of Commandant, after the Corps had been broken up, & he had ceased to do duty.

Pay of Andaman Sebundies Commandant, R. 300 x 6 = R. 1,800.

Pros: 4th Mar. '62 N^o 364.

9. When the Corps of Sebundies was broken up, a report was duly made to the Govt. of India. In February '62, a telegram was received inquiring why the Madras Accountant was still debiting Port Blair Penal Settlement with cost of the

7. The Govt. of India, to whom Mr. Bruce's case was submitted, ^{directed} that he should be retransferred to the List of Effective Supernumeraries in the rank he held prior to being appointed to the Command of the

Pros: 9th Dec. '61 N^o 1512.

2nd Mar. '62 N^o 350.

Pros: 5th June '62 N^o 883.

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Pros: 5th June '62.

N^o 878.

10. Inquiry showed that advances to the amount of Rs. 2,521.14.6 were issued to Mr. Bruce on the authority of Division Orders. The Andaman debundies were not under the Commander-in-Chief, & the Adjutant General was requested to ascertain & report under what circumstances the advances that were made subsequent to the disbandment of the Corps, viz. the 21st Oct. last, had been sanctioned by the Officer Commanding the Centre Division, & what charges they were intended to cover.

Letter 19th June '62.

N^o 534.

11. The Adjutant Genl. submitted a copy of the Division Orders in question. His letter is awaiting report

report of the Civil Paymaster on the audit of these payments, ~~which~~ Besides these advances, the retrenchments against Capt. Bruce up to April was Rs. 959.11.8, exclusive of a credit of Rs. 271.12.9.

Memo.

Andaman Settlements.

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Judicial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letters—

From the Adjutant
Genl. ————— Enter 19th June '82 No 534.
" the Civil Pay-
master ————— 29th July ————— " 1064.

Order — 11th August 1882 No 1284.

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Pros: 30 May '02.
No 1958. Mily. Dept.

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last para of his let-
ter, Mr. Paynor is
informed that, in
his letter, 3rd Sep. 51, No 446,
the Suptt., Port Blair,
intimated that the
accts. of the Corps had
been adjusted to 31st
August.

The Civil Paymaster.
" Adjutant Genl.
" Mily. Sect. } Dept 12th

N.B.

ditto of 15 Aug 82

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No 1287.

PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT.

Dated 11 Aug 1862

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*Having orders in
respect to the adjut.
ment of certain ad-
vances made to
the Prince's Leoman-
dant of the late
Sunderman oblongly
to the*