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Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
9th September 1862.*

No. 61. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Revenue Department, dated
3rd September 1862, No. 1,867.

*Approving of the proposal made by Mr. Pelly
on the subject of salaries of the Sub-Magis-
trates and the title to be applied to them in
their Revenue capacity, and authorizing him
to enter the increased rates of salary proposed
for them in the revised Tabular Statements now
in course of preparation.*

(Vide Proceedings Revenue Department, dated
3rd September 1862, Nos. 29 and 30.)

No. 62. ORDER THEREON, 9th September 1862, No. 1,466.

To be recorded.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. T. C'Connor.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.
GOVERNMENT.

Following: Mr. C. PELLY, Member of the Board of Revenue,
to A. J. A. [redacted], Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Revenue
Department, dated Madras, 11th July 1862.

SIR,

1. The subject of salaries of the Sub-Magistrates has come under my consideration in consequence of the Order of Government noted in [redacted]

[redacted] for consideration and orders of the Government.

When the revision of the Revenue Establishments was carried out, many Taluqs were considerably enlarged, and the charge of the Taluqs was generally increased. The offices of Peshkars, Deputy Magistrates, and Amíns of Taluqs were abolished, and it was found necessary to supply the place of the Amíns and of the Tahsildárs who had been absorbed, by men whose special duties would be magisterial, at places distant from the head quarters of the District, and in large towns, and in Zamindáris.

This involved a large increase on the sum originally allotted for the new Revenue Establishments, and it was necessary to keep the salaries within the lowest limit, in order to intrench upon the sum allotted for Police as little as possible.

4. As the men to be employed in this capacity were men of the ordinary class, and were not under the necessity of qualifying in any superior educational test, I considered the scale then recommended as sufficient. There were four scales of salary, viz., Rupees 85, Rupees 65, Rupees 50, and Rupees 35.

5. But by the Notification dated 30th May 1862, above alluded to, candidates for the office of Deputy Magistrates, Taluq Magistrates, and Sub-Magistrates (not employed in the service previous to January 1859) are required to pass an examination in—

The Code of Criminal Procedure, and
Rules of Practice as laid down by the Foujdari Adalat,
The Indian Penal Code as illustrated by Mr. Mayne, and in the English
language.

Persons in the public service since the 1st January 1859 are required to pass an examination, conducted by the Government, in the Vernacular language, in the Code of Criminal Procedure and Rules of Practice, the Indian Penal Code, and the Law of Evidence, and further Revenue tests will soon be added.

In short, a superior and better educated class of men is required to occupy these important situations. It is reasonable that their salaries should be in proportion to their responsibilities and the work they will be expected to perform. It is the object of Government to do all they can to raise the tone of the men employed in the important posts in the Province, though salary alone will not do this, it will materially aid in producing the desired effect.

Magistrates, and assistants to, Tahsildárs, and Government must principally look for able men.

8. The generality of their pay is 50 Rupees. There is a great difference between that and the pay given to Tahsildárs.* The powers of the Magistrates are, or may be, equal fully to that of the Tahsildárs; and I think it will be a wise and expedient measure to raise their present scale of salary, if the Government are in a position to do so. But I would recommend that the salaries of the incumbents should not be raised until they have passed the examination test prescribed in the Notification, and are otherwise found qualified for the office.

Tahsildárs' pay:
30 200
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See rates: 100 Rupees, higher rates, as at present, to be given important localities and large towns. The lower rate would be for small places, where a M. Revenue assistant to the Tahsildar, is found to be necessary, but where the number employed, salaries, and the proposed are as follows:

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10. Many of these Sub-Magistrates also and Tahsildars the Zamindaris do occasional duties, such as the collection of Income Tax, or the Mohr in contemplation to designate the former by some Revenue title, as " Assistants to the Tahsildar," in addition to their title of " Sub-Magistrate," which new designation, I think, it desirable to give them; they should, however, be looked on specially as magisterial officers, and their magisterial duties as their most important function.

11. If the Government are disposed to accede to my suggestion, I propose to name in my list of Establishments returned dated

ORDER THEREON, 12 September 1900

generally of the and accord Mr. Pelly to enter the Magistrates in the revised Tabular Statements given when those Statements are furnished.

2. 1. Mr. Pelly moots the question of the title to be applied to Magistrates of Revenue capacity. Wherever, as in the case of a Zamindari, a Sub-Magistrate has little or no Revenue work to perform, the present designation may be retained. After the revision come into the Bill under " Law and Justice." Other Magistrates should be styled " Deputy Tahsildars" in their Revenue, and Sub-Magistrates should be blended in the Budget with the Tahsildars. Their charge should form an integral part. One-fifth of their charge will be debited to the Revenue.

Le C. Pelly,
Assistant General,
Magisterial Department.

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