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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department, 3rd February 1863.

No. 29. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Revenue Department, dated 5th February 1863, No. 253.

Passing orders as to the number of appointments in the several Civil Departments which can be filled up by Military Officers. (Vide Proceedings Revenue Department, dated 5th February 1863, Nos. 62—66.)

No. 30. ORDER THEREON, 3rd February 1863, No. 172.

To be recorded.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers:—

From Captain R. H. BEDDOME, Officiating Conservator of Forests, to J. D. SIM, Esq. Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Camp, Ootacamund, 30th December 1862, No. 328.

SIR,

With reference to the Government Order No. 2,657 of the 23rd of December 1862, I have the honor to inform you that there is employment in the Forest Department for six Officers, viz.:—

Conservator of Forests...	1
1st Class Assistant....	1
Assistant in charge of Mudumally and the Sandal-wood Forests of Segur.	1
Assistant in charge of the Annamallays...	1
Do. in charge of the Wainád and Hunsur...	1
Do. in charge of the Salem District....	1
Total.....	6

From Major F. J. B. PRIESTLEY, Superintendent Revenue Survey, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Chepauk, 6th January 1863, No. 14/2.

SIR,

No. 2,657. 1. In obedience to the Order of Government, dated 23rd December 1862, I have the honor to state that in the event of the salaries of Military Officers and Members of the Uncovenanted Civil Service in this Department being equalized, I am of opinion that the posts of Deputy Superintendent Revenue Survey and Assistant Superintendent Revenue Survey, of both grades may be expediently filled by Officers of the Staff Corps.

2. I append a list of the present Establishment distinguishing the service to which each Officer belongs.

List of Officers in the Survey Department.

Office.	Name.	Service.
Superintendent Revenue Survey.	Major F. J. B. Priestley.	Staff Corps.
Dy. Supt. Rev. Survey.	Captain W. Hessey.....	Staff Corps.
Do.	Major W. Crewe.....	Do.
Do.	Captain R. Pratt.....	69th Foot.
Do.	F. Puckle, Esq.....	U. C. Service.
Do.	Captain W. Barber.....	33rd N. I.
1st Asst. Supt Rev. Survey.	W. Beaumont, Esq.....	U. C. Service.
Do.	J. Wright, Esq.....	Do.
Do.	Lieutenant C. Shortt.....	Staff Corps.
Do.	H. Cardozo, Esq.....	U. C. Service..
Do.	Lieutenant H. Wynch.....	31st N. I.
Asst. Supt. Rev. Survey.	H. Dunsford, Esq.....	U. C. Service.
Do.	T. Tomlinson, Esq.....	Do.
Do.	H. Gompertz, Esq.....	Do.
Do.	J. J. Tomlinson Esq.....	Do.
Do.	Lieutenant F. Pavy.....	74th Highlanders.
Do.	T. Gordon, Esq.....	U. C. Service.
Do.	Lieutenant C. Baynes.....	Staff Corps.
Do. Acting	Lieutenant Clay.....	Do.

Uncovenanted Service..... 9
Military Officers, ten, viz., Staff Corps..... 6
H. M. B. Forces... 2
Local Army..... 2

Revenue Survey Office,
Chepauk,
6th January 1863.

(Signed.) F. J. B. PRIESTLEY,
Superintendent Revenue Survey.

From R. E. MASTER, Esq., Officiating Director of Revenue Settlement, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 7th January 1863, No. 18/2.

SIR,

1. In reply to the Order of Government, dated 23rd December 1862, No. 2,657, calling on me to report the number and classes of Offices, in my Department which may be expediently filled by Officers of the Madras Staff Corps, I have the honor to state that at present only two Staff Corps Officers* are employed in the Department, in addition to one Regimental Officer of the rank of Captain. In paragraph 21 of my letter to the Board of Revenue of the 30th April 1862, No. 571, submitting the revised estimates of the total cost of the operations of the Department, I allowed for the future employment of three Captains and three Lieutenants, and with reference to the rule by which the whole of the allowances of a Staff Corps Officer in Civil employ are debited to the Department in which he is serving, I assumed, in order to be on the safe side, that all six would belong to the Staff Corps. The extra expense involved in the employment of Military Officers has to a certain extent hitherto limited the number so employed, but all difference between the cost of Military and Uncovenanted Officers will cease on the establishment of the proposed system of consolidated salaries for Civil Staff appointments, to be paid without reference to the service to which the incumbents may belong.

* 1 Major.
1 Lieutenant.

2. The offices held in this Department by Military Officers are those of Assistant Directors of Revenue Settlement, and the number to be entertained hereafter must depend on the number of Settlement parties which the Government may from time to time decide on organizing. I gather from the present order that the object which the Government have in view is to fix the future *permanent* strength of the Staff Corps, and if so, looking to the temporary nature of the Settlement Department and to the fluctuations in the strength of its establishments which may from time to time be ordered, I do not think it will be safe to undertake to provide appointments for a large number of Officers. At the strength at which we are now working two Captains and two Lieutenants may be conveniently employed. Under a system of consolidated salaries, is will probably not be worth the while of a Staff Corps Major to hold the office of Assistant Director of Revenue Settlement.

From W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Madras, 21st January 1863.

SIR,

1. In reply to the Government Order dated 23rd December 1862, No. 2,637, calling on the Board to furnish the information required by Government in the Military Department as to the number and class of offices in the Revenue Department which may expediently be filled by Officers of the Madras Staff Corps, I am directed by the Board of Revenue in submitting the accompanying list of Officers now so employed to state that in their opinion no difficulty is likely in future to be found in filling the posts of Principal and Senior Assistant in the Ganjam and Vizapatam Districts from the ranks of the Covenanted Civil Service, and that in fairness to that service they should be so filled, and not given to Members of the Staff Corps except in cases of urgent necessity.

2. The case of the Assistant Agent in the Jeypoor country is perhaps exceptional.

List of Military Officers employed in the Revenue and Magisterial Departments.

District.	Station.	Rank and Name.	Office.	Pay.	Remarks.
				RS. A. P.	
Ganjam		Captain H. L. Grove.	Acting Principal Assistant.	233 5 4	Deputation allowance.
		Capt. T. G. M. Lane.	Senior Assistant ...	558 5 4	
		Lieutenant R. C. A. Marshall	Acting Assistant...	810 5 4	
Vizagapatam.		Captain U. G. Owen.	Senior Assistant..	558 5 4	Superintendent of Dredging operations invested with Magisterial powers.
		Lieutenant J. M. Smith.....	Assistant Agent...	558 5 4	
Madura.....	Paumben	Captain F. G. Hankin, P. W. D.	Joint Magistrate...	0 0 0	Doing the duties of Assistant Magistrate on the Hills.
	Coimbatore.....	Major W.H.Wapshare, Judicial	Do.	* 378 4 6	* Rupees 308-4-6 allowance as Major of Invalids. Rupees 70-0-0 allowance as Joint Magistrate.

(Signed.) W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary.*

ORDER THEREON, 5th February 1863, No. 253.

1. The Governor in Council proceeds to pass orders on the subject of the number of offices in the undermentioned Departments which can expediently be filled by Members of the Madras Staff Corps in future.

2. *Forest Conservancy.*—The Acting Conservator wishes all the higher appointments in this Department (six in number) to be filled from the Staff Corps. There is nothing in the duties of this Department for which a Military Officer is specially qualified, and the Government see no occasion for any addition being made to the Staff Corps specially for it.

3. *Survey.*—Major Priestley enters in his list all the Deputies and Assistants of his Department, in the event of the salaries of Military and non-Military members being equalized. The Government observe that two of his parties are now commanded with equal efficiency and greater economy by Uncovenanted Officers, and there is certainly nothing in a Surveyor's duty requiring that the holder should be a Commissioned Officer. No doubt Major Priestley has had great difficulty in getting competent Uncovenanted agency; but the surest way of perpetuating this difficulty is to close the door to the promotion of such persons. Moreover, (and this applies to the employment of Military Officers in all Civil Departments) Military Officers are liable to be called away on emergency to do Military duty, and thus the Survey on which they are engaged may be stopped altogether. The most cogent reason however against providing for the Survey in the future Staff Corps is that the Department is a temporary one, and must ere long cease.

4. *Settlement.*—There are but two Staff Corps Officers in this Department. There is nothing in its work at all of a Military character, and it is certainly "temporary."

5. *Inám Commission.*—No Officers are employed in this Department, and it will be closed in a year.

6. *Revenue Department.*—Five Officers are employed in the two Districts of Ganjam and Vizagapatam. The Board remark that "no difficulty is likely in future to be found in filling "the posts of Principal and Senior Assistant in the Ganjam and Vizagapatam Districts from the "ranks of the Covenanted Civil Service, and that in fairness to that service they should be so "filled." They add that "the case of the Assistant Agent in the Jeypore country is perhaps "exceptional."

7. The Government agree with the Board of Revenue. The Civil Service is now being yearly recruited, and as many of the present members have gained and all future members will gain their appointments by competition, will undergo a preliminary training in England, pass in two languages and two other tests in this country, and must be paid whether employed or not, the

Government cannot in justice to them or with due regard to economy increase the Staff Corps for the purpose of filling these appointments.

8. Under the circumstances above stated the Government are of opinion that no additions need be made to the strength of the *future* Staff Corps of this Presidency for any Departments mentioned above.

(True Extract.)

Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
„ Superintendent of Revenue Survey.
„ Director of Revenue Settlement.
„ Conservator of Forests.
„ Military Department.
Public do.
„ Judicial do.