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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department, 18th March 1863.

No. 89. Read the following letter from H. A. MANGLES, Esq., Officiating Civil Paymaster; to the Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 14th March 1863, No. 292.

I have the honor to enclose an original letter from the Commandant of the late Andaman Sebundy Corps, dated 26th February last, and request the sanction of Government to admit the charge of Rupees 15-8 per month for July and August 1861 on account of ration money drawn by the Superintendent of Port Blair, for the Serjeant Major of that Corps. The usual rate of compensation previously drawn was at 6-5-4 per month.

The charge, I may add, has been admitted by the Civil Paymaster, Fort William; but under what authority, I am unable to say.

From Serjeant Major G. M. BRUCE, 34th Regiment C. L. I.; to the Officiating Civil Paymaster, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 26th February 1863.

With reference to extract from the Bills of the late Andaman Sebundy Corps, No. 231, bearing date 23rd February 1863, with remarks of objection to ration money allowed to Serjeant Major Kenna, I have the honor to state that compensation in lieu of rations was drawn on regular Abstracts for one Serjeant Major at the Indian rate of 6-5-4 per mensem until the decease of Serjeant Major Jones on the 15th November 1860.

2nd. Serjeant Major Kenna arrived at the Andamans on the 1st May 1861, and received for May and June the compensation that had been allowed to his predecessor; but on account of the excessive dearness of provisions in the settlement he made a representation to the Superintendent, who granted him free rations to the extent of 15 Rupees per mensem.

3rd. There was no written sanction for this transaction, as the Serjeant Major obtained my permission to wait upon the Superintendent and represent the hardship of his case to him; as no retrenchments were made from the Abstracts for July and August 1861, it was understood that the rations granted to him were free of cost.

No. 90. ORDER THEREON, 18th March 1863, No. 420.

Sanctioned under the circumstances stated.

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

Exd. T. McMootry.

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Sanctioned under the circumstances stated.—

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