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Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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No. 229. Read the following letter from P. P. HUTCHINS, Esq., Acting Registrar of the High Court of Judicature at Madras; to the Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 8th June 1864, No. 39.

I am directed by the Chief Justice to acknowledge your letter of the 3rd instant, No. 821, inquiring what steps have been taken to give effect to Act XI of 1864, and what compensation should be given to the Law officers whose appointments have been abolished.

2. Formerly there were two Pundits, or Hindu Law officers, attached to the old Sudder Court, but shortly after the establishment of the High Court the junior Pundit was transferred to the Pension list. The establishment of the High Court, as revised in Government Order, dated 30th April 1863, contains but one Pundit, and one Mahomedan Law officer.

3. This Pundit, the old senior Pundit of the Sudder Court, died in September last, and his place was never permanently filled up. The late Officiating Pundit, Venkata Subha Shastry, was appointed on the understanding that the office might at any time be abolished. He has therefore no claim to compensation on the ground that that event has taken place.

4. The Mahomedan Law officer is entitled to a pension under the ordinary rules, and an application in the usual form was sent in to the Civil Paymaster on the 13th of April. Special compensation is therefore unnecessary in his case also.

5. Act XI of 1864 was first promulgated in Madras by the Gazette of the 8th of April. The pension of the Mahomedan Law officer is to date from the 16th of that month. The services of the Officiating Pundit were specially retained up to the end of the month under the sanction conveyed in your letter, dated 23rd April, No. 582.

No. 230. To the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, dated Fort Saint George, 21st July 1864, No. 1105.

In acknowledging the receipt of your letter of the 8th April last, No. 2584, I am directed to state that the Junior Hindu Law Officer of the late Sudder Court having been pensioned shortly after the establishment of the High Court, the appointment was at once abolished. The other Hindu Law Officer of the High Court died in September last, and his place has not since been permanently filled up. The acting incumbent was nominated on the understanding that the office might at any time be abolished; he has therefore no claim to compensation on that account, and his services were dispensed with on the 20th April last. The Mahomedan Law Officer has retired on a superannuation pension.

2. A Return of Cazees called for in your letter of the 16th January last, No. 365, will be furnished as soon as practicable.

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

Exd. J. Tulloch.

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To

The Secretary to the Government
of India.

Sir,

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on the 20th April last.
Mahomedan Law officer
returned on [illegible] ma-

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you furnished that
Cazees called for
our letter of the 17th
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Dated 21 July 1854.

Intimating the steps
taken for the abolition
of the Offices of the
Hindoo and Mahomedan
Law Officers.

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