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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Judicial **DEPARTMENT.**

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Order thereon. 17th September 1874 No. 1371.

The Governor in Council ~~is not pre-~~ regrets that he cannot ~~pared to~~ recommend that the rules regulating deputation allowance in the case of Military Officers employed in the Police department should be altered.—

2. The Govt. of India in their proceedings of the 17 October last, No. 5174, declined to make any alteration in these rules, and the Governor in Council does not think it would be to any ~~see any sufficient ground~~ purpose to ~~for~~ urging a re-consideration of that decision.—

2 Lawson to read it — but expression a little — but ~~Provided~~ in order itself is correct. It is unlikely to lead to any reconsideration of the subject + To the Inspector General of Police — dispatch by ~~Post~~ Telegraph or a hopeless demand is to be deprecated as doing more harm than good JPS

No. 108. Read the following letter from W. ROBINSON, Esq., Inspector General of Madras Police; to the Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 6th July 1864, No. 1370.

Account Department.

I have the honor to bring to the notice of Government, with reference to my letter dated 31st May 1864, No. 1162, the hardships which officers acting for absentees on sick leave incur in consequence of the operation of the recent rules with regard to Deputation Allowance.

2. The Government is aware that in consequence of the severity of the work and the exposure in unhealthy parts of the country, which Police Officers incur, a very large proportion of them are always away upon sick leave. Thirty (30) per cent. of the entire Staff is at this moment so absent; and of course a proportionate number of those now doing the work and undergoing its hardships are drawing only acting allowances. The consequence is very severe on the Assistant who comes in at the bottom, while his expenses on first joining the service and mounting himself well are very considerable.

3. Under the early provisions of the Furlough Regulations of 1854 an officer proceeding on sick leave to England, with retention of appointment, drew half his Staff salary for six months; and after the expiration of that time his *locum tenens* drew the full allowance, and so on. Under more recent rulings, the absentee draws his half Staff salary for six months; but after that period, though he is frequently absent for 20 months, his *locum tenens* and the officer who joins to complete the establishment, draw nothing but their acting allowances. The whole of the difference is a refund of pay. The work is done, but for far less than what is allotted by the State for its performance.

4. It is calculated that under the circumstances which most frequently occur; *i. e.*, that a Captain proceeds to England leaving his Assistant a Lieutenant to do his duty, while another Lieutenant is brought in to fill up the vacancy, Rupees 2700 are lost to the service during the 20 months each officer is on leave.

5. With reference to the number of officers now absent, the actual loss to a most arduously worked service is for 20 months about Rupees 41,140.

6. I would venture to draw the attention of Government to the point, with the view if possible, of the old rule being revived, at least so far as regards this Department.

No. 109. ORDER THEREON, 17th September 1864, No. 1371.

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2. The Government of India in their Proceedings of the 17th October last, No. 5174, declined to make any alteration in these rules, and the Governor in Council does not think it would be to any purpose to urge a re-consideration of that decision.

(True Extract.)

Secretary to Government.

To the Inspector General of Police.

Mxd. J. Tulloch.