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Read the following papers:—

No. 160. From J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector General of Jails, to the Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Ootacamund, 30th June 1865, No. 56.

I have the honor to submit an application made by the Session Judge of Ootacamund, on behalf of the prisoner Ramus, late an Officer of the Madras Army, whose sentence of four years' Penal servitude expires on the 3rd July. I declined allowing a gratuity, on an assumed valuation of the prisoner's services to the Jail, as there is not any net cash receipt or saving to warrant the charge. Mr. Phillips now claims for Ramus a gratuity, under Section 10, paragraph 2, of the Pay and Audit Regulations.

From A. W. PHILLIPS, Esq., Session Judge in charge of the European Prison, Ootacamund to J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector General of Jails; dated Ootacamund, 28th June 1865, No. 31.

As it appears from Section 10, paragraph 2, of the Pay and Audit Regulations, that Officers of the Army dismissed are permitted to receive an allowance equal to the Infantry rate of subsistence or pay proper of their rank, for six months from the date of their dismissal, I have the honor to request that you will kindly lay before the proper authorities the case of the prisoner Ramus, whose term of imprisonment expires on the 3rd of July, and who was dismissed the Service on the 14th of August 1861.

No. 161. From J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector General of Jails, to the Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Ootacamund, 10th July 1865, No. 81.

I have the honor to request that a gratuity of Rupees 100 may be allowed to Ramus, a prisoner discharged from the European Jail, as subsistence, there being nothing to his credit on account of manufactures.

2. Mr. Phillips urged that Ramus' services should be credited, under the rule which provides for a portion of *net cash receipts* on account of *manufactures* being credited to well conducted prisoners; but I pointed out that the rule did not apply, and that it was purposely worded so as to restrict the gratuities to portions of *net cash earnings*, and that though I had allowed the claim for services productive of *net cash savings*, I could not allow an unsanctioned and arbitrary charge of 50 Rupees monthly, as proposed for a Clerk, on which to calculate earnings.

Proceedings of Government, No. 403, 26th April 1864.

3. The truth is Ramus has been latterly employed as a Clerk to keep accounts, &c., but I have insisted that this is the proper work of the superior officers of the Prison's establishment, and that, though no doubt Ramus has done the work, no cash saving of salary has accrued from it. At the same time, I told Mr. Phillips that as Ramus was destitute, and the occasion pressing (he had to quit this to take up a small situation), he might pay him 100 Rupees, which is about the highest rate at the credit of any of the Artificers who have been released, and I believe this payment, for which I now request sanction, has been made.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,

22nd July 1865.

No. 162. ORDER THEREON, 22nd July 1865, No. 1025.

The Governor in Council sanctions the grant of a gratuity of Rupees (100) one hundred, to the released convict William De H. Ramus.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Inspector General of Jails.

" Officer in charge of the European Prison at Cotacamund.

Accountant General.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

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Inspector General of Jails

Officer in charge of the European Prison at Cotacamund.

Accountant General.