

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
3rd September 1867.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 24. Proceedings of Government in the Military Department.

Referring, for disposal, a suggestion of the Superintendent of Pensions, that the cost of arrack supplied to Native Military Patients (Pensioners) in the Madras Lunatic Asylum should be borne by Government. (Dated 25th July 1867, No. 2720).

Referred to the Inspector General, Medical Department, for report on paragraphs 4 and 5 of the letter from the Superintendent of Pensions.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
30th July 1867.

(Signed) R. S. ELLIS,
Acting Chief Secretary.

No. 25. From the Inspector General, Indian Medical Department, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Fort Saint George, 1st August 1867, No. 312.

In reply to your Docket of the 30th July 1867, referring for my report paragraphs 4 and 5 of letter from the Acting Superintendent of Pensions to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, No. 1210, of 27th June 1867, I have the honor to state that, as regards the suggestion in paragraph 4, I quite agree with the Superintendent of Pensions, that such items as arrack issued to patients in the Lunatic Asylum might fairly be considered as articles of Hospital supply, and not of diet.

2. With regard to paragraph 5, I beg to refer to letter, No. 168, of the 6th July 1867, from the Superintendent of the Lunatic Asylum, forwarded under my Docket Memorandum, No. 276, of the 11th of that month, for the favorable consideration of Government in the Military Department. In all the suggestions contained in that letter I fully concur.

No. 26. Proceedings of Government in the Military Department.

Communicating, with the Controller's report thereon, a letter from the Superintendent of the Lunatic Asylum (dated 6th July 1867), submitting particulars in regard to Native Military Patients in the Lunatic Asylum, Madras, and offering suggestions in regard to the cost of dieting them, &c. (Dated 23rd August 1867, No. 3155).

No. 27. ORDER THEREON, 3rd September 1867, No. 1418.

The Governor in Council concurs in the views expressed by the Inspector General, Medical Department, and Superintendent of the Lunatic Asylum, in their letters dated the 1st August and 6th July, Nos. 312 and 168, and is pleased to direct that such items as Arrack issued to Native Military Patients in the Lunatic Asylum be regarded, in future, as articles of Hospital supply, and that a fixed charge of two Annas per diem be made for the diet, &c., of patients of the rank of Non-Commissioned Officers or Sepoys.

2. In the case of pensioners whose stipend is less than 5 Rupees per mensem, no charge will be made for diet, &c.

(True Extract).

Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Military Department.

Inspector General, Medical Department.

Inspector General of Jails.

Accountant General.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers :—

From the Acting Superintendent of Pensions... Here enter 27th June 1867, No. 1210.

Report from the Controller of Military Accts... 11th July .. I.

From the Acting Superintendent of Pensions, Fort Saint George, 27th June 1867, No. 1210; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

The Superintendent Lunatic Asylum having brought to my notice, that the wife and children of pensioned Havildar Vencatasawmy, late of the 35th Regiment Native Infantry, are in great want, and solicits that they may receive the balance of the pension of the Havildar after deducting the expense of dieting, I have the honor to solicit the orders of Government as to whether the pensioner may not draw his pension from the date on which Government confirmed his pension Proceedings, (Proceedings of Government, Order No. 2188 of 26th June 1866,) and the balance, as proposed by the Medical Officer, paid to the relations.

2. Agreeably to paragraph 90, page 254 of the Pay Code, the pension of the Havildar will only commence from the date of his discharge from the Asylum.

3. Pensioned Havildar Vencatasawmy was admitted into the Lunatic Asylum on the 14th March 1866.

4. I take this opportunity of bringing to the notice of Government, that the balance left from the pay for May of another pensioner drawing the same amount, (*viz.*, seven Rupees,) as the above Havildar would do, amounted to only a few Annas, as the charges (copy of bill herewith sent,) for dieting in the Lunatic Asylum amounts to nearly the whole pension drawn. I would respectfully suggest that the expense of such items as arrack might, in the cases of pensioners, be borne by the Asylum. I presume the stimulant is absolutely necessary for the patient's health, and as such might come under hospital charges.

5. The Superintendent of the Lunatic Asylum has informed me that he proposes to endeavour to procure some changes in the recoveries made for dieting Native Military pensioners.

6. The reason of the pensioner alluded to in paragraph 4 being able to draw pension is, because he was taken into the Asylum after he had commenced to draw his pension.

With report from the Controller of Military Accounts, 11th July 1867, I.

ORDER, No. 2720, 25th July 1867.

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council sanctions the disbursement to the family of pensioned Havildar Vencatasawmy, now in the Lunatic Asylum, of the balance of his pension after payment of the Asylum bill for dieting, &c.

2. This pensioner having been struck off the strength of his Corps—the 35th Regiment Native Infantry—on the 16th July 1866, his pension is, under regulation, payable from that date:—the

Commander-in-Chief will, accordingly, be requested to cause the necessary correction to be made of His Excellency's G. O., dated 30th June 1866.

3. The subject of paragraphs 4 and 5 of the foregoing letter from the Superintendent of Pensions will be remitted to the Public Department for consideration.

(True Extract.)

A. Harcourt Major General,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintendent of Pensions.
" Controller of Military Accounts.
" Adjutant General.
" Public Department. *with 5 spare Copies*

Ed. T. Stubbs.

Referred to the Inspector General
Medical Department for report on pension:
: paragraphs 4 & 5 of the letter from the Super.
: independent of Pensioners.

Fort St George
30 July 1867

W. Mackenzie
As the Secretary

To the Inspector General

Medical Department - Br. 1208/1

Referring to the report
the question of pension
of pensioners in the
Lunatic Asylum
being borne by Govt.

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MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers :—

Memo. from the Insp. Genl. Indian Medl. Dept. Here enter 11th July 1867, No. 276.
Report from the Contr. of Mily. Accounts..... 3rd August,, H.

MEMORANDUM.

No. 276.

Forwarded, through the Controller of Military Accounts, for the favorable con-
sideration of Government.

PORT SAINT GEORGE,
11th July 1867.

(Signed) W. MACKENZIE, M. D.,
Insp. Genl. Indian Medl. Dept.

From the Superintendent of the Lunatic Asylum, Madras, 6th July 1867, No. 168 ; to the Deputy
Inspector General of Hospitals, Indian Medical Department, Presidency.

I have the honor to submit, for your consideration and reference, the following subjects, relative
Native Military insanes in the Lunatic Asylum.

2. When a Non-Commissioned Officer or Sepoy, who may be a patient, is placed on the pension
st, only so much of his pension becomes available as is required to meet the charges for his diet,
by balance that may remain being kept in the pension office, until the date of his discharge from
the Asylum. The effect of this is that the families of such men are left entirely unprovided for,
d, as they may remain under treatment for months or even years, the arrangement must often be
productive of great hardship. I trust, therefore, that measures may be taken to introduce a more
convenient system.

3. Again, under existing Regulations, all Native Military patients, whether borne on the
length of their Regiments or pensioned, are charged at contract rates for every article of diet
d extras, as wine and tobacco, which they may receive in the Asylum.

4. This arrangement is also productive of great distress to families, as, owing to the high
prices of provisions, nearly the whole of the pay or pension has, in most instances, to be recovered
dieting, and there is thus little or nothing left for them to purchase the necessaries of life with.
Hardly a day passes, but I am appealed to by such families, on account of their destitution, and the
families under my care suffer great and injurious anxiety on their account.

5. I would therefore respectfully solicit that, to obviate this state of matters, some small fixed
allowance, say two annas per diem, may be made for the diet and the extras supplied to such patients
of the rank of Non-Commissioned Officers or Sepoys. The extra expense which this would entail on
Government would be inconsiderable, and the boon that it would confer on these unfortunate men
and their families would be very great and highly appreciated. In the case of pensioners whose
pension may be under 5 Rupees per mensem, I would recommend that such may be regarded as
pensioners, as even the low charge of 2 annas per diem would hardly leave any balance to buy food for
their families.

6. I am the more encouraged to ask this concession from finding that European Military
patients, while in hospital, are charged* for diet
at the rate of 2 annas per diem for a Private, and
3 annas for a Non-Commissioned Officer ; and
the articles supplied to them are much more expensive than the rations given to native patients.

From the Acting Controller of Military Accounts, Fort Saint George, 3rd August
1867, H; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor to forward, for the consideration of Government, letter from
the Superintendent Lunatic Asylum, received under the docket of the Inspector
General Indian Medical Department, No. 276, dated 11th July 1867.

2. The Superintendent's letter has reference to two subjects :—

I.—The disbursement of pension to the families of pensioners under
constraint in the Asylum.

II.—The excessive charge for diet of native Military insanes.

3. The Superintendent states that it is the practice to deduct from the pension
pensioned Non-Commissioned and Sepoys in the Asylum, sufficient to cover the

Judicial Department.

Paragraph 19, page 205, Pay Code.

.. Clause 2 of the above.

Dr. Bidie complains, and sets forth the manner in which the pay or pension is

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patients in the Asylum for the past year, which, at 3 Annas and 3 Pies per diet, 6-3; but the total of recoveries on account of Accounts to be Rupees 214-4-2 only. Only been charged per diet, would be Ru-

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referred to the Public Department, with
advice to paragraph 3 of the Order
of Government marginally noted, on the
The question regarding the pay, &c., of
that institution will be disposed of in the
decision of Government on that of diet.

Extract.)

Deputy Secretary to Government.

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the following papers -
Read - Proceedings
of Procurement. Military
Department. (25. July
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Proceedings of Court
Military Department
/ 23^d August 1867. b. 815,

Order. no 1418 of Sep 1897.

The Governor
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W. H.

To the Military Department
- Inspector Genl. Med. Dep.
- Inspector Genl. of Prisoners
- Inspector Genl. of Hospitals

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Chas. J. Smith
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PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT.

Date. 3^d of January 1867.

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