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No. 192. Read the following Endorsement of the Government of India on a letter from the Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated 18th April 1861, No. 871, regarding the operation of the Income Tax Act in respect to the Military and other Officers of the Madras Presidency, serving in the Straits Settlements.

No. 5,267.

FORT WILLIAM,

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT,

The 4th May 1861.

The opinion expressed by the Government of Madras in the 2nd paragraph of their Secretary's letter, No. 871, dated the 18th ultimo, appears to His Excellency the Governor General in Council to be correct.

By Order of His Excellency the Governor General in Council.

(Signed) C. H. LUSHINGTON,

Secretary to the Government of India.

To

The Government of Madras for information and guidance.

No. 193. ORDER THEREON, 22nd May 1861, No. 1,073.

Communicated to the Military Department together with copy of the letter to which it replies, with reference to Proceedings of Government, 26th March 1831, Military Department.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,

Deputy Secretary to Government.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.
FORT SAINT GEORGE,
18*th April* 1861.

No. 871.

From

J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq.,
Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George,

To

The Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department.

SIR,

1. I am directed to request the orders of the Government of India on the following subject connected with Act XXXII of 1860.

2. Consequent upon Mr. Secretary Grey's letter of 8th August 1860, No. 1,663, conveying the desire of the Governor General in Council that no steps should be taken towards bringing the Income Tax Act into operation, in any part of the Straits Settlements, the question was raised whether the said Act was applicable to Military and other Officers of the Madras Presidency, serving in the Straits Settlements. This Government considered* that the postponement of the operation of the Act affected only the case of income derived from property, &c., there possessed, and that as an Indian Officer serving in those parts is just in the same position as an Indian Officer in Hyderabad, Travancore, and other Foreign States, he must be clearly liable to the tax for pay, &c., drawn from Indian Revenues.

* 21*st December* 1860, *No.* 2,472, *Revenue Department.*

3. I am to add that one of the considerations which led this Government to pass their Order of 21st December last, was their belief that Officers in the English Army wherever stationed, if paid from the English Treasury, are subjected to deductions from their pay on account of English Income Tax.

4. The decision has however been objected to by certain Officers affected by it, in letters recorded in the accompanying copy of Proceedings of this Government in the Military Department, dated 26th March 1861.

5. The point on which particular stress has been laid, is that no deduction on account of Income Tax has been made from the salaries of any of the Government officials employed in the Straits, whether Civil or Military.

6. Under these circumstances this Government deems it the best course to refer the question for the orders of the Government of India, and I am directed to solicit their decision upon it.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
(Sgd.) J. D. BOURDILLON,
Secretary to Government.

No. 5267
Fort William
Financial Department
the 4th May 1861

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

The opinion expressed by the Government of Madras in the 2d para: of their Secretary's letter

letter N° 871 dated the 18th Ultimo, appears to
His Excellency the Governor General in Council
to be correct.

By Order of His Excellency
the Governor General in Council

[signature]

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