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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.**Government of Madras.***Public Works* **DEPARTMENT.**

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
3rd March 1864.*

No. 48. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Financial
Department :—

Authorizing the adoption of the printed forms recommended
by the Civil Paymaster for the salaries of the fixed Estab-
lishments. } (Here enter 23rd February 1864, No. 130.)

No. 49.

ORDER THEREON, 3rd March 1864, No. 631:

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

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FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.
PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from R. W. LODWICK, Esq., Civil Paymaster, Fort Saint George ;
to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated 11th January
1864, No. 20.

General Department.

I have the honor to lay before you the following report on the condition of this office, and to request that you will obtain the orders of His Excellency in Council on the several points brought to notice.

2. I regret to be obliged to state that the Department is at present in a condition which I hold to be very unsatisfactory, and although the orders of the Government of India would, I consider, bear me out in commencing reforms without delay, I think it will be more satisfactory to obtain the previous sanction of His Excellency in Council in order that complaints from the Mofussil may not come in and take up time unnecessarily.

3. I find in the first place that the orders of the Supreme Government have been most unaccountably and systematically neglected in a great many cases.

4. As regards *fixed* Bills, that is to say Establishment Pay Abstracts, His Excellency in Council is doubtless aware that repeated orders have been received from Calcutta to include the pay of all parties connected with each Department in one abstract.

5. I find that this rule has been greatly neglected. Chaplains have been permitted to draw their pay in Bills apart from their establishments; Civil and Zillah Surgeons have been allowed to draw their allowances in a similar manner; and even Departments at the Presidency have been drawn for in abstracts apart from those in which the pay of their heads is charged.

6. This system, it is almost unnecessary I think to point out, entails a vast amount of uncalled for labour in separate registry, stamping, despatching and so forth, and I therefore have turned my attention to its abolition without delay, leaving other matters to be attended to hereafter.

* On this subject attention is respectfully directed to Notification in the Bombay Government Gazette, No. 13, dated 3rd November 1860.

7. The proper system is for every Department to be represented in all its details* in the abstract, and I therefore shall have to call upon all persons, who have hitherto drawn their pay separately, hereafter to include it in the same Bill with that of their subordinates.

8. The case of Chaplains was so clear that I consider the issue of a Notification on the subject need not be delayed, and I propose on receipt of your reply to issue instructions to all Medical Officers hereafter to exhibit the pay of every Medical subordinate under them in one abstract together with their own allowances. Thus a Civil Surgeon will have to include his own pay with that of the Native Surgeon and the Medical servants attached to the Jail, the Dispensary and the Vaccine Department at his station, all of whom are under him in every sense of the word. A form of Abstract is sent, and I may observe is precisely similar to that used in Bengal, and recommended for adoption throughout India by the Supreme Government.

Annexure A.

9. Similarly all other Officers will be required to draw their pay and that of their establishments together in abstracts framed after the same pattern.

10. This plan will reduce the number of fixed Bills by several hundreds monthly.

DEDUCTIONS.

RS. A. P.

Amount of Abstract..... 7014 5 4

Deduct.

Withheld.....	70 0 0
Savings. { Permanent.....	0 0 0
{ Temporary.....	0 0 0
	<u>0 0 0</u>
	70 0 0
	<u>6974 5 4</u>

INCOME TAX.

At 2 per cent.....	123 4 0
At 1 per cent.....	61 2 0
	<u>189 6 0</u>

Add

Deduct

On account of Premiums of Insurance.....	6 0 0
Do. withheld salary.....	2 1 0
Do. Difference on account of fine.....	0 2 0
	<u>8 3 0</u>

Total of Income Tax ..

181 3 0
0 8 0

Fines.....	<u>181 11 0</u>
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CIVIL FUND.

On account of subscriptions at 4 per cent.....	204 5 4
Do. do. at 2 1/2 ".....	62 7 0
	<u>266 12 4</u>
Do. Debt.....	233 5 4
	<u>500 1 8</u>

ORDER THEREON, 23rd February 1861, No. 130.

His Excellency the Governor in Council authorizes the Civil Paymaster to carry out the several changes recommended in the foregoing letter, all of which appear well calculated to facilitate the working of his office. The rules regarding the preparation of Bills for Salaries and Contingent charges are in accordance with the instructions of the Government of India.

2. As regards Contingent charges, some exceptions will have to be made, as in the case of the Office of Superintendent of Marine and of the Government Printing Press, where large Bills have to be paid, which require to be settled without delay. But such cases are exceptional, and unless when otherwise ordered by Government, the rule that Contingent charges of a recurring nature are to be submitted for audit in one monthly Bill should be strictly enforced.

3. The adoption of printed forms for the Salaries of fixed Establishments will clearly be a great saving of labor; and as every District has its Press, the arrangement may be introduced without difficulty.

4. The system of registry and of distributing the work of the Auditors are matters of office routine, on which it is competent to Mr. Lodwick to make such arrangements as he may deem proper.

(True Extract.)

H. J. Cunningham
Chief Secretary.

To the Civil Paymaster.
Revenue Department
Military do. for information.
Public Works do.

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