

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 132

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
26th January 1865.*

No. 273. Read the following letter from T. CLARKE, Esq., Member of the Board of Revenue, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Palamcotta, 10th December 1864 :—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to forward a letter from Mr. French, the Writer who accompanied me on circuit, for the orders of Government.

2. When Mr. French proceeded with me to the North on board the Steamer "Penang," he took no servant with him, fearful of the expense he would be put to in providing a passage for him; but having since learnt that he would, under the ruling of Government, dated 30th August 1864, No. 1,537, have been entitled to the charge of a servant's passage, he applied to the Civil Paymaster to know whether the passage money could be disbursed to him; the Civil Paymaster informed him he should apply to the Government. Mr. French has accordingly submitted the enclosed application, which he grounds on the case cited by him in the 3rd paragraph of his letter.

3. If it is compatible with the rules of Government that Mr. French should be permitted to draw the allowance to which he would have been entitled, had a servant accompanied him by sea to Gopalpore and from Masulipatam to Madras, I should be glad that he should receive this amount, for I am fully aware that the batta allowed him of 8 Annas a day often fell short of the expense to which he was put in accompanying me.

4. My travelling was rapid, and the hire of carriage is now very high, and 8 Annas, which was his daily allowance, only covered the cart hire of a little more than five miles, while our journey was seldom under 7, and was often 10 and 12 miles a day.

No. 274. ORDER THEREON, 26th January 1865, No. 132.

Separate Revenue, No. 7.

Salt.

The Government cannot comply with the application of Mr. French.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,

Chief Secretary.

To T. Clarke, Esq.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Madras 10th December 1864.

To
J. Clarke Esq.
Member, Board of Revenue.

Sir,

* d/15 September 1864
N^o 6,118, based on
G.O. d/30 August
1864, N^o 1567

A Circular having been recently issued by the Board of Revenue, intimating that "when public officers having a title to passage at the expense of the State, perform journeys on private vessels, the charge for a servant's passage should be included in the amount of passage money," I beg leave to submit certain circumstances which prohibited my availing myself of the attendance of a servant when I proceeded by sea along with you in February last from Madras to Gopalpore, and in May following, from Masulipatam to Madras, and to solicit the favour of your laying the same before Government, in order to ascertain whether I may not be allowed some compensation for the serious inconvenience suffered from the course I was obliged to adopt.

2. That I acted under the impression that my servant's passage would be charged to my own private account, hardly

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admits of a doubt, when it is seen from the Circular above quoted that the Madras Government itself was not quite certain as to the real scope of the Order of the Government of India of 14th January 1859; and that I could not meet the outlay may be easily understood when it is known that as a Clerk at-

* Charge of the B. I. S. N. Co.	
for a servant's passage	Rs. 25
from Madras to Calcutta	Rs. 10
--- " --- Madras to Madras	Rs. 10
	<u>Rs. 45</u>

facted to you I am allowed a salary of only 40 Rs. and batta at the rate of 15 Rs. a month, making in all an aggregate of 55 Rs. I was therefore compelled to leave Madras without a servant, which, it is hardly necessary to state, subjected me to very many inconveniences and very great hardships.

3. In support of my claim for compensation, I would urge that it may be seen from the records of the Superintendent of Marine, that when not long ago some public servants were sent by sea, and it was discovered at the end of the voyage that they had been provided with accommodations inferior in class to that to which they were entitled, the difference between the cost of the two was given them as a compensation. In conclusion I will only add that the charge for my servant's passage as entered in the margin

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of para 2 of the letter is the same as that which was made by the British India Steam Navigation Company, in whose steamers we proceeded, for the 2 Government persons attached to your Establishment.

I beg to remain
Sir
Your most obed^t Serv^t
John French.

To

J. Clarke Esq^r.
Member, Board of Rev.

The Govt cannot comply

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with the application of Mr
French. - J.S.

Fort St. George
26th Aug. 1865

J. Clarke Esq with an encls recd 31 Jan

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Pro. 30th August 1862 N 154416
— 7th July 1862 N 1234125
— 19th April 1862 N 2988299

Per: 1862 N 154416
Pro of Govt of Madras
From

J. Clarke Esq.
Member, B^d of Rev.
To J. D. Sim Esq.
Secy. to Govt.
Rev. Dept.

Date 10th Dec 1862

Dep^t

Received 15th

With Enclosure. P. 1862

Submitting a letter from
Mr. Frank claiming com-
pensation on account of his
servant's passage money for
the voyage from an public busi-
ness from Madras to Gopal-
pore and from Masulipatam
to Madras.

With an order

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