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13th November 1865.*

No. 250. Read the following Endorsement of the Under Secretary to Government, in charge of the Office of the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 1st November 1865, No. 537 :—

Read the following letter from the Agent and Manager Madras Railway Company, to the Under Secretary to Government, in charge of the Office of the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 31st October 1865, No. 774.

1. A question has arisen in connection with the medical services rendered to this Company by Dr. Pearse of Calicut, which I am anxious to refer for the views of the Government.

2. On the 20th March 1863, the Consulting Engineer, by letter No. 142, communicated the sanction of Government to the discontinuance of the arrangement under which Zillah Surgeons received monthly salaries for affording medical attendance to the servants of the Railway Company, and for remunerating them in future by a fee of Rupees 10 for a single visit, and Rupees 5 for each of a series of visits, when paid at the Railway Station or its immediate neighbourhood.

3. In a bill submitted by Dr. Pearse of Calicut, he treats two visits paid to Mr. Wilkinson, the Engineer, viz., on the 9th and 15th September, as two single visits, charging 10 Rupees for each, and observes that he does not consider that two visits can be looked upon as a series. Dr. Pearse further charges his travelling expenses, which between Calicut and Beypoor amount to Rupees 4-12-0.

4. Nothing is said in the Order of Government with regard to travelling expenses, but it is hardly to be expected that a Surgeon will come out from Calicut to Beypoor for a remuneration of 5 Rupees, if his expenses there and back are to amount to Rupees 4-12-0.

5. My construction of the Order of Government with regard to fees, is, that two visits certainly constitute a series, the first of which is to be paid for at Rupees 10, the second Rupees 5.

6. Whenever the Surgeon at Calicut is required to attend any Railway servant at Beypoor, I consider, and would recommend, that in addition to his ordinary fee he should be allowed his actual travelling expenses.

1. The Consulting Engineer's letter, to which the Agent and Manager refers, communicated Order of Government of the 17th March 1863, No. 129.

2. That Order does not quite meet the case brought to notice by Mr. Elwin, but in my opinion, the construction placed upon it in paragraph 5 of the above letter is correct. I certainly consider that two or more visits paid to the same individual, when only a few days intervene between the successive visits, constitute a series, the first of which is to be paid for at Rupees 10, and every succeeding one at Rupees 5.

3. In the Order above alluded to no mention was made of travelling expenses, but Order No. 75, dated 10th February 1857, printed at page 54 of Part I. of the Compendium of Railway Orders, sanctions "the payment of the expenses incurred "by Medical Officers when proceeding beyond ten miles from their station to "afford medical aid to servants of the Railway Company."

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4. Under the circumstances stated by the Agent and Manager, I would support his recommendation that the Surgeon at Calicut, when required to visit any servant in the employ of the Madras Railway Company, should be paid his fee besides his actual travelling expenses.

(Signed) J. H. M. SHAW STEWART, Major, R. E.,
Under Secretary to Government,
In charge of the Office of the Consgr. Engr. for Railways.

No. 251. ORDER THEREON, 13th November 1865, No. 3,404.

RAILWAY, No. 26.

The Government concur in the views of the Officer in charge of the Consulting Engineer's Office, as expressed in paragraph 2 of the foregoing observations, and they approve of the Surgeon at Calicut being re-imbursed in his travelling expenses, when required to visit servants of the Railway Company at Beypore.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

NO. 74
MADRAS RAILWAY COMPANY

AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE.

Madras, October 31st 1865.

From

Agent and Manager.

To

Consulting Engineer for Railways.

SIR,

A question has arisen in connection with the medical services rendered to this company by Dr Pearce of Calicut, which I am anxious to refer for the views of the Government.

On the 20 March 1863, the Consulting Engineer, by letter No 112, communicated the suggestion of Government to the discontinuance of the arrangement under which Indian Surgeons received monthly salaries for attending medical attendance to the servants of the Railway Company, and for remunerating them, in future, by a fee of Rupees 10 for a single visit, and Rupees 5 for each of a series of visits, when paid at the Railway Station or its immediate neighbourhood.

3. In a letter submitted by Dr Pearce of Calicut, he treats two visits paid to Mr. Wilkinson the Engineer, viz on the 9th and 15th September as two single visits, charging 10 Rs for each, and observes that he does not consider, that two visits can be looked upon as such.

as a series. Dr. Passer further charges his travelling expenses, which between Calicut and Beggur, amount to Rupees 11-12-0

Nothing is said in the Order of Government, with regard to travelling expenses, but it is hardly to be expected that a Surgeon will come out from Calicut to Beggur, for a remuneration of 5 Rupees, if his expenses there and back, are to amount to Rupees 11-12-0.

5. The construction of the Order of Government with regard to fees is, that his visits certainly constitute a series, the first of which is to be paid for at Rupees 10, the second Rupees 5.

When the Surgeon at Calicut is required to attend any Ambulatory Dispensary at Beggur, I consider, and would recommend, that in addition to his ordinary fee, he should be allowed his actual travelling expenses.

I have the honor to be
Your most obedient servant,
W. J. Turner
Agent and Manager

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N^o 537.

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2. That order does not quite meet the case brought to notice by Mr. Elwin, but in my opinion, the construction placed upon it in paragraph 5 of the above letter is correct. I certainly consider that two or more visits, paid to the same individual, when only a few days intervene between the successive visits, constitute a series, the first of which is to be paid for at Rupees 10, and every succeeding one at Rupees 5.

3. In the order above alluded to no mention was made of travelling expenses, but order, N^o 45, of 10th February 57. Printed at Page 54, of Part I. of the Compendium of Railway orders, sanctions "the payment of the expenses incurred by the medical officers when proceeding beyond ten miles from their station to afford medical aid to servants of the Railway Company."

4. Under the circumstances stated by the Agent & Manager, I would support his recommendation that the Surgeon at Calicut when required to visit any servant in the employ of the Madras Railway Company, should be paid his fee, besides his actual travelling expenses.

I have the honor to be
Your obedient servant,
W. J. Turner
Agent and Manager
To the Secy. to Govt. P.W.D.
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