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Public Works DEPARTMENT

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
11th July 1876. No. 1,763.*

No. 191. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E., Consulting Engineer for Railways, to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 28th June 1876, No. 315:—

I HAVE the honor to lay before Government letter, No. 542, dated 23rd May 1876, from the Agent of the Madras Railway, enclosing an extract from a letter from his Directors authorizing an application being submitted to Government for presenting C. Rungacharry, one of the Travelling Auditors, with a gratuity of Rupees 2,100, equal to twelve months' salary.

2. C. Rungacharry appears to have done good service, and the high terms in which he is alluded to by the Chief Auditor are endorsed by the Agent and Manager. There is therefore no question that the case is one deserving of the consideration

G.O., No. 2,923, 13th October 1875. contemplated in Government of India letter, No. 2,355, dated 23rd September 1875.

3. There is, however, a difference of opinion in regard to the amount of gratuity to be disbursed. The Directors have approved of the gratuity to Rungacharry being calculated at the rate of pay he was in receipt of at the time his connection with the Company ceased. He has served the Company for a period of twenty-one years. For fourteen years and eight months, while employed in the Traffic Department, he drew a salary of Rupees 120 per mensem; and after promotion to the post of Travelling Auditor, which he held for four years and seven months, he drew Rupees 175 a-month (the rate at which his gratuity has been calculated) for the last seven months only. The salary of a Travelling Auditor is generally Rupees 150 a-month; and the Examiner is of opinion that the average of Rungacharry's pay for the four years and seven months before his resignation, while a Travelling Auditor, about Rupees 155 per mensem, should be the basis on which his gratuity should be calculated. This would amount to Rupees 1,8 60, instead of Rupees 2,100.

4. I asked the Agent whether he saw any objection to the rule regulating gratuities to men in the service of Government being adopted upon the Madras

No. 656, 26th June 1876. Railway, and the enclosed is Mr. Elwin's reply. I beg that this letter, together

with the other papers, may be submitted for the consideration of the Government of India.

From R. B. ELWIN, Esq., Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E., Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 23rd May 1876, No. 542.

WITH reference to paragraphs 56 to 59 of my letter to the Board of Directors, No. 1,197, dated the 3rd March last, and to paragraph 11 of their letter, No. 574, of the 21st April 1876, copies of which are enclosed, I have the honor to request that you will be so good as to communicate the authority of Government for the payment to C. Rungacharry of a gratuity of Rupees 2,100, equal to twelve months' pay, as sanctioned by the Board.

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Extract from a letter from the Secretary, Madras Railway Company, No. 574, dated London, the 21st April 1876.

Para. 11.—The Board have had under consideration the Chief Auditor's letter of the 26th January last, embodied in paragraph 57 of 1,197, forwarding copy of a communication addressed to him by C. Rungacharry, one of the Travelling Auditors, resigning his appointment on account of ill-health, and begging that a pension may be granted to him in consideration of his long service of nearly twenty years. The Board are unable to comply with this request; but observing that both you and Mr. Church are of opinion that Rungacharry's illness is due in a great measure to the nature of the duties of his office, and further that you are able to endorse all that Mr. Church has said as to the value of Rungacharry's services to the Company, the Board are prepared to mark their appreciation of his good conduct. They accordingly authorize you to apply to Government for sanction to present him on his retirement with a gratuity of Rupees 2,100, equal to twelve months' pay, as was done in the case of C. Basheacarlo Naidoo, the senior Native Clerk in the Audit Office, whose illness also necessitated his resigning his appointment after a service of twenty-two years.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. B. ELWIN,
Agent and Manager.

Extract from a letter from the Agent and Manager, to the Secretary, Madras Railway Company, No. 1,197, dated 3rd March 1876.

From the Chief Auditor.

Para. 56.—Letter No. 1,626, dated the 26th January last, with which he forwarded me copy of a letter addressed to him by C. Rungacharry, one of the Travelling Auditors, resigning his appointment owing to ill-health, and begging that a pension may be granted him in consideration of his long service of nearly twenty years.

57. Mr. Church writes, "Rungacharry has been in the service of the Company nearly twenty years, and during the whole of that time has been under my notice.

"He was lately at the head of the Statistical Branch of the Traffic Audit; but when it was determined that we should create the office of Travelling Auditor, C. Rungacharry was selected as the best qualified man for the appointment.

"In accepting the post, Rungacharry, who is a Brahmin, had to make very considerably personal sacrifices as will be well understood, but he persevered until he was overtaken with sickness.

"There can be no doubt that Rungacharry's illness was brought about by the nature of his duties, which towards the close of his services was in the Cuddapah district.

"In the month of August he was on privilege leave, but early in September after a severe attack of fever his sight began to fail him; in October he had an attack of paralysis. His appointment, without pay, has been kept open for him from 3rd November up to this time, but he has completely broken down, and it is hopeless to look forward to his returning to his duties.

"C. Rungacharry in forwarding a medical certificate, from which it is apparent that there is no prospect of his being able to work again, applies for a pension, and his case is one which will not fail to have your sympathy and consideration.

"Having regard to all the circumstances of his long and useful career in the service of the Company and to its unfortunate termination, it is recommended that his case should be regarded as one deserving of a gratuity of a month's pay for every year of service."

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58. I am able to confirm all that Mr. Church has said with regard to the value of Rungacharry's services to the Company, and as to the readiness with which he, at much personal inconvenience, took up the important duty of Travelling Auditor, when that appointment was first made. It will be readily understood that the constant travelling and exposure which that duty entails is calculated to have a serious effect upon the health, and there is no doubt that to this is due in a great measure the illness of Rungacharry.

59. I trust that the Board will give all the circumstances of the case their most favorable consideration, and authorize as liberal a gratuity being made to him as they are in a position to do.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. B. ELWIN,
Agent and Manager.

From R. B. ELWIN, Esq., Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E., Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 26th June 1876, No. 656.

In reply to your letter of the 17th instant, No. 638, I have the honor to state that I shall be glad if you will lay before Government my letter, No. 542, of the 23rd ultimo, and recommend that the sum of Rupees 2,100 be presented as a gratuity to C. Rungacharry on his retirement from the service.

2. With reference to your suggestion that the rule which applies to men in the service of Government with respect to gratuities, shall be made applicable also to cases which may arise in the Railway service, I beg to remind you that the Board of Directors have expressed the opinion that it will be better to decide each case of this nature upon its own merits as it occurs, rather than to establish any general rules upon the subject.

3. My own opinion is that it would not be equitable to lay down a rule to the effect that the Government practice with respect to gratuities should be adopted in all Railway cases, inasmuch as in the Government service, as I understand, gratuities are only given when the term of service is too short to entitle to pension, whereas in the Railway service there are at present no pensions, and gratuities are the only rewards to which servants can look forward as a provision for their old age after long and faithful service.

No. 192. ORDER THEREON, 11th July 1876, No. 1,763.

RAILWAY, No. 18.

ORDERED to be forwarded for the consideration of the Government of India.

(Here enter No. 1,764, dated 11th July 1876.)

(True Extract.)

Colonel,
Offg. Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE, 11th July 1876.

No. 193.

No. 1,764.

FROM

MAJOR-GENERAL G. W. WALKER, R.E.,
Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Public Works Department,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
Public Works Department.

RAILWAY, No. 19.

SIR,—I am directed to forward, for the favorable consideration of the Government of India the accompanying applica-

tion for a gratuity of Rupees 2,100 as recommended by the Board of Directors to C. Rungacharry, one of the Travelling Auditors of the Madras Railway, who has been compelled, owing to sickness contracted it is supposed in the discharge of his duties, to resign his appointment after a total service of twenty-one years.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Colonel,
Offg. Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
for Secretary to Government.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.
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No. 656

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MADRAS RAILWAY. 7

AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE.

Madras, 26th June 1876.

From

Robert B. Elwin Esq.

Agent and Manager. M. R. C.

To

Lieut Colonel J. H. M. Shaw Stewart R.E.

Consulting Engineer for Railways.

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I have the honour to be
Sir,

Your most obedient servant

W. H. White

Agent and Manager.

RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

Madras, 28th June 1876.

No. 315

From

LIEUT.-COLONEL J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E.,

Consulting Engineer for Railways,

To

MAJOR-GENERAL G. W. WALKER, R.E.,

Secretary to Government,

Public Works Department,

Fort Saint George.

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MADRAS RAILWAY.

The Agent and Manager.

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways.

R. N. 4632/76
From

Dated

26th June 1876

Recd.

No. 16576

Replying with reference
to the suggestion made
by the Chief Engineer as
to the rules for the payment
of gratuities in the case
of persons leaving service
afterwards to cases
of persons in the Railway
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Sirs

Your most obedt servant

Wm. Thwait

Secy. Col. R. E.

Yours: Engrs for Railways

P. M. 1876 Department
No. 4632

No 1763

Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 11 July/76

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From
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for Railways } (H.E. No 3154/28th June
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consideration of the
Government of India.

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2. No 8464

The Secretary to the
Government of India

Sir,
I am directed to
forward for the
favorable considera-
-tion of the Government
of

Consulting Engineer
for Railways

Accepted 20/7/16

RAILWAY DEPARTMENT

From

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways,

To

The Secretary to Government,
P. W. Department,
Fort Saint George

Dated 28 June 1876

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offered as a gratuity to one
of our scholars, in the sum

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2. In the event of the proposal being favorably received I am to request a decision as to the principle on which the amount of gratuity should be calculated.

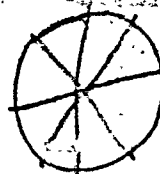
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3 I am also to invite attention to para 4 of the Corresponding Engineer's letter and the communication from the Agent of the Company to which it refers.

Decd 26/7/76

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Govt. of 1876 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

The Com^r Eng^r for M^{rs}

Dated

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G. O., 11 July 1876. No 1763/1764

Nos. 191-192 & 193

Forwarding for favourable consideration an application for a gratuity to C. Rungoo Chary one of the Travelling Auditors of the Madras P^y.

C. Rungoo Chary,
Travelling Auditor. M. P.

Application for a gratuity to —
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