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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

2nd July 1877, No 346 W.

General
Establishment

Read the following paper —

No 21. From A B SAMPSON, Esq, Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Establishment—General,) to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Simla, 30th May 1877, No. 794 E G

With reference to the letter marginally noted to the address of the Secretary to the Government of India in the Financial Department and previous correspondence, regarding the proposed grant of a compensation pension and gratuities to certain Clerks whose services were dispensed with on a revision of establishment attached to the Public Works Secretariat, Madras, I am directed to state as follows

2. Apparently advantage was taken of the revision of the establishment to discharge men who might not have been otherwise discharged. The rules for the grant of compensation pensions or gratuities are not, however, intended to meet such cases, and they do not authorize the discharge of an officer, excepting when his appointment is abolished. A compensation pension or gratuity may, by rule, be given only when an office is *bona fide* abolished, but is not admissible on the ground of inefficiency or because it is desired to re-arrange an office.

3. It is quite possible that a revision might render the removal of an officer necessary; but if it is calculated to involve additional expense, this should be foreseen, and form part of the scheme for sanction. In the present case, the Madras Government sanctioned a revision of salaries, as involving no additional expense, and the action of the local Government was confirmed by the Government of India under this belief; application is now made for the grant of one if not of more pensions, and certain gratuities which manifestly involve additional expenditure.

4. The strict application of the rules would doubtless involve hardship in the present case, and the Government of India is willing to submit the matter to the Secretary of State, but to enable it to do so, it is necessary that a statement should be furnished setting forth clearly the grounds on which it is desired to make the case a special one

5. As regards the proposed pension of Rupees 15 to Asanoor Kistnasawmy Moodelly, I am to state that if the applicant is old and infirm as is stated to be the case, the proper course is that he should be invalided in the ordinary form, but that if this is not done, he should only be recommended for a pension of one-third of his average emoluments.

6 I am to express regret that owing to an oversight so much delay has occurred in dealing with the case

No 22

ORDER THEREON, 2nd July 1877, No 346 W.

ORDERED that the Government of India be addressed

(Here enter No 347 W, dated 2nd July 1877)

(True Extract)

(Signed) E A FOORD, Colonel, R E,
Secretary to Government, P W D

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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No 23

FROM

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

Public Works Department,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

Public Works Department.

SIR,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No 794 E —G, dated 30th May 1877, requesting to be furnished with a statement setting forth the grounds on which it is desired to treat in a special manner the applications of certain Clerks of the Public Works Secretariat for pensions and gratuities on their discharge from the Government service

2 In reply, I am to state the circumstances under which the Clerks in question were thrown out of employ Owing to the unsatisfactory state into which his office had fallen, Major-General G. W Walker, R E, the then Secretary, represented to Government that, if efficiency was to be obtained, it was absolutely necessary that the office should be rearranged both as to salaries and duties, and that the opportunity of the reorganization should be taken to introduce a few men of a better class than many of those then employed There were two ways of accomplishing this, (1) by the entertainment of additional hands, and (2) by dispensing with the services of certain of the men who were declared to be unsatisfactory Clerks, either from their defective education, failing health, or indifferent conduct The latter alternative was adopted as being the less expensive, and, among others, the following Clerks were discharged —

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Pundala Etheeraujooloo Nayadu
Merapa Chetty Narasimmooloo Nayadu.
Sydapett Moonesawmy Chetty
Mylapore Ramasawmy Moodelliar

3 The amounts of pensions and gratuities claimed by these men (Pundala Etheeraujooloo Nayadu excepted) are specified in the letter from the Secretary to Government of Madras in Pension Department, No 543, dated 20th September 1875.

4 Etheeraujooloo's service would under ordinary circumstances entitle him to one-third pension, but his conduct not having been pronounced altogether satisfactory he is recommended for pension on a reduced scale

5 Asanoor Kistnasawmy Moodelly, who is referred to in paragraph 5 of your letter under reply, has since appeared before the medical authorities at Madras, who have declared him permanently incapacitated for further duty. A separate application for an invalid pension has accordingly been submitted to the local Pension Department on his behalf

6 The remaining three are men of very defective education whom it was considered undesirable to retain on the reorganized establishment which aimed at increased efficiency. They were accordingly discharged in the hope that, under the peculiar circumstances of their case, they would be admitted to the indulgence of receiving the amounts of the gratuities earned by their service under Government

7 With these remarks I am again to remit the subject to the Government of India with a request that the recommendations made may receive the support of His Excellency the Governor-General in Council.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

FORT ST GEORGE,
2nd July 1877

No 346 W Public Works Department
PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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