GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

26th January 1881, No. 184.

READ THE FOLLOWING PAPER :—

No. 488. Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India in the Home, Revenue and Agricultural Department (Famine),—under date Fort William, the 20th January 1881, No. 13.

Read the following papers :—

Resolution of the Government of India, No. 2,087, dated the 10th August 1878, permitting, in the case of deserving officers of all departments employed on famine relief duty in Madras, Bombay and Mysore, the grant of special leave on account of failure of health within a reasonable time after the completion of their duty, and granting, during the first six months of such special leave, full pay and allowances up to a maximum limit of Rs. 600 a-month.

Letter of the Government of Madras, No. 1,599-A, dated the 31st July 1879, forwarding list of officers considered deserving of the above-mentioned concession, in which list, under the head of "Public Works Department Officers of other Provinces" is included the name of Mr. E. P. Woods, Sub-Engineer, 3rd grade, North-Western Provinces.

Letter of the Government of India, Public Works Department (Famine), No. 148-C, dated 10th September 1879, sanctioning the grant of the concession to the officers mentiond in the list.

Letter from Mr. E. P. Woods, dated 28th June 1880, representing that the Government of the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, in communicating to him the above-mentioned orders, had informed him that he is not entitled to the concession, as he was on the temporary establishment during his famine duty.

Letter to the Government of the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, No. 60, dated 13th July 1880, forwarding Mr. Woods' letter and enclosures, and making certain inquiries regarding the dates of his employment and discharge, and the nature of his leave, if any.

Letter from the Government of the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, No. 1,944-E, dated 11th August 1880, furnishing in reply the information requested.

Letter to Mr. E. P. Woods, No. 72, dated 26th August 1880, requesting the submission of a medical certificate regarding his illness and its duration.

Letter from Mr. E. P. Woods, dated the 2nd November 1880, submitting, with remarks, three medical certificates relating to different periods of his illness during, and since the cessation of, his famine duty.

RESOLUTION.—Mr. E. P. Woods was engaged at Allahabad in February 1877 by the Government of the North-Western Provinces and Oudh for employment on famine duty in the Madras Presidency. In October 1878, after eight months spent on this duty, his health broke down, and he suffered constantly from fever and neuralgia. Immediately after his return to the North-Western Provinces in February 1879, he was again under treatment for severe fever, due, no doubt, to exposure when on duty in Madras, and incapacitating him for employment. Again, in January 1880, and in March, April, and May of the same year, he was ill with inflammation of the lungs and unable to attend to business.

2. It is not established by any medical evidence that the last-mentioned illness was directly caused by exposure whilst on famine duty. But if Mr. Woods had been on the permanent establishment, he would have been entitled to the concession under Financial Resolution No. 2,087, dated the 10th August 1878, which was in fact sanctioned on his behalf under a misapprehension of the nature of his case. He has shown clearly that he was incapacitated for work for a considerable time; and the Governor-General in Council, taking the whole circumstances of the case into consideration, is pleased to sanction, in lieu of the concession under the Resolution of the 10th August 1878, an allowance of five months' pay calculated at the rate of pay and allowances (not exceeding Rs. 600 a-month) of which Mr. Woods was in receipt when his famine duty ceased.

ORDER.—Ordered, that the above Resolution be forwarded to the Governments of Madras and the North-Western Provinces and Oudh; also that it be communicated to the Public Works Department, to the Department of Finance, and to Mr. E. P. Woods.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. GRANT,
Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 489. ORDER THEREON, 26th January 1881, No. 184.

Miscellaneous.

COMMUNICATED to the Public Works Department and the Accountant-General.

(True Extract.)

Secretary to Government.

To the Public Works Department.
,, the Accountant-General.

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