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Under Secy to the Govt. of India

Govt. of '1882 Madras.
MILITARY.

To THE ADJUTANT-GENERAL,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated October, 19th.

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G.O., 19th October 1882, No. 5618.

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OCTOBER.
Nos. 346-354.

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Pensions—Warrant Officers.

Recommendation for the promotion of Con-
ductor W. Jack to Deputy Assistant Commissary,
and memorials from Honorary Lieutenant and
Deputy Assistant Commissary J. Wightman and
Conductor J. Rishworth for the grant of the
pension of Assistant Commissary and Deputy
Assistant Commissary, respectively, on their
being compulsorily retired, negatived.

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who have lately retired or are about to retire who would have equally as good claims, and would naturally seek the benefits of the same indulgence.

3. It is understood that retirements under G.G.O., No. 514 of 1881, are being made from the 16th September 1882.

No. 354. ORDER THEREON, 19th October 1882, No. 5618.

Ordered that the foregoing letter from the Government of India be communicated to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief and departments concerned.

(True Extract.)

Edmund Haffner
For Ag. Secretary to Government,
Mily. Dept.

To the Adjutant-General.
" Inspector-General of Ordnance.
" Commissary-General.
" Controller of Military Accounts.
" Public Works Department.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

No. 350. Memorandum from Brigadier-General GODFREY CLERK, Adjutant-General, to Colonel E. L. HANKIN, Acting Secretary to Government, Military Department; dated Ootacamund, 23rd June 1882, No. 392-T.O.

Forwarded for the consideration and orders of Government.

2. The ruling already given in
* Proceedings of Madras Government, No. 784, Honorary Lieutenant and Assistant
dated 17th February 1882. Commissary F. Clark's case * apparently
governs this case also.

From Colonel R. A. MOORE, Acting Commissary-General, to the Adjutant-General, Ootacamund; dated Madras, 3rd June 1882, No. 1732.

I have the honor to forward, for submission to Government, a memorial (in duplicate) from Conductor Rishworth, Commissariat Department, addressed to His Excellency the Governor-General of India praying for the invalid pension of a Deputy Assistant Commissary, allowed under G.O.G.G., No. 69 of 1868.

Conductor Rishworth, the first on the list of Conductors for promotion, is in excellent health, and, under ordinary circumstances, would have earned the pension he now prays for; but, owing to the recent order compelling retirement after fifty-five years of age, and which is to come into force on the 1st September 1882, he will have to leave the service as a Conductor, as neither of the two vacancies which will take place on that date in the grade of superior warrant officers will be available to him.

Conductor Rishworth is a good soldier and a very worthy man, and is well deserving of any indulgence that you may see fit to accord.

No. 351. Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department; dated 8th July 1882, No. 1722-W.

ABSTRACT.—Approving the promotion, as a special case, of Conductor Jack to Deputy Assistant Commissary, the requisite further action in the matter being taken in the Military Department.

No. 352. To the Government of India, Military Department; dated 3rd August 1882, No. 4076.

No. 353. From Captain E. COLLEN, Officiating Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, to Colonel E. L. HANKIN, Acting Secretary to Government, Military Department, Madras; dated Simla, 9th October 1882, No. 869-S.A.

Pensions—Warrant Officers.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 4076, dated the 3rd August 1882, submitting the recommendation for promotion as a special case of Conductor W. Jack to Deputy Assistant

† Returned with original correspondence. Commissary; also memorials† of Lieutenant and Deputy Assistant Commissary J. Wightman and Conductor J. Rishworth praying to be allowed the pension of Assistant Commissary and Deputy Assistant Commissary, respectively, on their being compulsorily retired.

2. In reply, I am desired to state, for the information of His Excellency the Governor in Council, that the Government of India after careful consideration regret to be unable to accede to the recommendation of the Government of Madras; for if in these instances were the concession made, which is quite contrary to the letter and spirit of the regulations, there are throughout India warrant officers

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

19th October 1882, No. 5618.

Pensions—Warrant Officers.

Read the following papers:—

No. 346. *From Colonel S. CHAMIER, Inspector-General of Ordnance, to Colonel E. L. HANKIN, Acting Secretary to Government, Military Department, Ootacamund; dated Fort St. George, 3rd June 1882, No. 59-G.*

I have the honor to forward, for favorable consideration of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the accompanying memorial,* in duplicate, from Lieutenant J. Wightman, Deputy Assistant Commissary of Ordnance, and now in charge of the Ordnance Depot at Bellary. This warrant officer who enlisted in the Madras Horse Artillery on the 23rd July 1842 has served for a period of thirty-nine years ten months and nine days, and has done good service both before and since his employment in the Ordnance Department. He has always been most favorably reported on, and would doubtless have succeeded on an early date to the rank of Assistant Commissary of Ordnance, but for his ordered compulsory retirement in September next. He served in the Burmese campaign of 1852-53 and 1854, and in the Indian Mutiny of 1857-58 and 1859, and is in possession of two medals and two clasps as also a good conduct medal.

2. The number and date of the Proceedings of Madras Government quoted in Lieutenant Wightman's memorial should have been 3133-A, dated 29th May 1877, and not 1739, dated 9th June 1877.

No. 347. *Memorandum from Brigadier-General GODFREY CLERK, Adjutant-General, to Colonel E. L. HANKIN, Acting Secretary to Government, Military Department; dated Ootacamund, 23rd June 1882, No. 391-T.O.*

Forwarded for the consideration and orders of Government.

2. The ruling already given in
† Proceedings of Madras Government, No. 784, dated 17th February 1882. Honorary Lieutenant and Assistant Commissary F. Clark's case† apparently governs this case also.

No. 348. *To the Inspector-General of Ordnance; dated 28th June 1882, No. 3167.*

No. 349. *From the Inspector-General of Ordnance; dated 6th July 1882, No. 83-G.*

GENERAL.
ESTABLISHMENT.

Govt. of 1882 Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated July, 8th.

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G.O., 8th July 1882, No. 1722 W.

JULY.
Nos. 61-62.

Conductor Jack.

Promotion of — to the rank of Deputy Assistant Commissary, approved.

3. Captain Wiffen was promoted as a special case from Assistant Commissary to Deputy Commissary a short time previous to his being pensioned, and I would beg that I be allowed the same privilege, as there is no chance of there being a vacancy previous to my being obliged to leave the department.

No. 251.

Endorsement on the above.

Submitted for orders.

2. Mr. Jack's conduct since I have been in charge of this circle has been entirely satisfactory; he was for four weeks, between Lieutenant Boddy's departure and Mr. Nordmann's arrival, in charge of the Bellary Division, and from April 1880 to the organisation of the department in October 1881 he was, though nominally in charge of a sub-division, really in something very much like independent charge; the control of the Executive Engineer at Cuddapah being little more than nominal, and the correspondence with the Military authorities at Bellary, which should properly be with the Executive Engineer, having been to a great extent with him.

3. What I have seen of Mr. Jack has certainly caused me surprise that his departmental promotion has been so slow, but he is now a Sub-Engineer, and would probably be considered eligible for the next vacancy in the rank of Deputy Assistant Commissary; it is certainly a hardship that the slowness of his departmental promotion has caused him to be passed over (in Military promotion) two of his juniors, and, as he points out, his compulsory retirement in August next will prevent his ever obtaining his honorary commission.

4. I do not know whether the indulgence he asks for, of special promotion to the rank of Deputy Assistant Commissary, is possible, or whether Government will be disposed to grant it, but his case is one, in my opinion, deserving of the most favorable consideration.

BELLARY,
15th May 1882.

(Signed) J. PENNYCUICK, Major, R.E.,
Superintending Engineer, Third Circle.

No. 62.

ORDER—dated 8th July 1882, No. 1722 W., Public Works.

On consideration of the circumstances explained in this correspondence, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council approves, as a special case, of Conductor Jack's promotion to the rank of Deputy Assistant Commissary. He might be borne as a supernumerary on the Public Works list till his retirement in September next.

2. The requisite further action in the matter will be taken in the Military Department.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. H. SANKEY, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, Third Circle.
,, Military Department.

Exd. A. F. Goodall.
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8TH JULY 1882, No. 1722 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Establishment.

No. 61.

READ—the following letter from K. F. NORDMANN, Esq., Executive Engineer, in charge of Bellary Division, to the Superintending Engineer, Third Circle, dated Bellary, 13th May 1882, No. 325 :—

In submitting, for your favorable consideration, the enclosed application of Conductor W. Jack, in which he requests that a step in Military rank may be conferred on him, viz., that of Deputy Assistant Commissary, for the reasons stated by him, I have the honor to recommend that Mr. Jack's request be complied with, if possible.

2. The Sub-Engineer has worked under my orders since June 1880 (with the exception of the last eight months when I was on special duty), and I have formed a high opinion of his character and general qualifications. I consider him a good man of business, who knows his work, and is industrious and painstaking in carrying it out. He is perfectly steady and sober, and well conducted.

3. As you have also known Mr. Jack for some time, probably your opinion of him is equally favorable.

4. If the rule that Warrant Officers are to retire at the age of 55 years is not absolute, I would recommend that Mr. Jack be allowed to continue to serve in the department, as he is physically and otherwise perfectly efficient; indeed, more so than some of his juniors.

5. His Military promotion has been hitherto retarded for no fault of his, but owing to his having only last year been made a Sub-Engineer; and this was in consequence of his having entered the department later than some of his juniors who were promoted over his head.

6. At the same time, although Mr. Jack did not enter the department until 1867, he was all the time doing good professional work at the headquarters of the Sappers and Miners in training his juniors for their work in the department.

7. Under these circumstances, I venture to think that Mr. Jack has a good claim to have his Military promotion accelerated, and I should be glad if you would bring his case to the favorable notice of the Chief Engineer.

ENCLOSURE.

From Mr. W. JACK, Sub-Engineer, in charge of Northern Sub-division, to the Superintending Engineer, Third Circle, dated Bellary, 3rd May 1882, No. 135 (through the Executive Engineer, Bellary Division).

I have the honor to request you will be good enough to recommend that I be promoted to Deputy Assistant Commissary. I have been at the top of the list of Conductors for some time past, but on account of my being only a Supervisor I lost the opportunity of being promoted on two separate occasions when vacancies occurred, and two of my juniors in Military rank were promoted over me. I am now a Sub-Engineer, and would beg that you be good enough to represent my case to the Chief Engineer, and that, as a special case, I may receive my promotion.

2. I will be obliged to leave the department on the 1st of September next under the late order, that all Warrant Officers whose ages are 55 years by the above date. I will be 55 in August next.