

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

12th February 1886, No. 943.

Pay and Allowances—House-rent.

Read the following paper :—

No. 123. *From Major D. J. S. McLEOD, Deputy Quarter Master General, to Lieutenant-Colonel A. KENNEY-HERBERT, Secretary to Government, Military Department; dated Ootacamund, 8th January 1886, No. 73-A.*

Forwarded to Government with the recommendation of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief that, under the circumstances stated, the rent of Major Clerk's quarters for the months of September and October 1885 may be remitted.

From Major R. M. CLERK, Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General, to the Quarter Master General, Ootacamund; dated Madras, 14th December 1885.

With reference to the enclosed copy of letter No. 4160, dated 8th December 1885, from the Executive Engineer, Presidency Division, I have the honor to request you will kindly lay before His Excellency the Governor in Council, for his favorable consideration and orders thereon, this my petition for a refund on account of house-rent deducted from my pay for August, September and October 1885 during my absence in England. The circumstances under which I pray for a refund are as follow.

When I proceeded to England on ninety days' privilege leave early in August last I made arrangements with Captain Forbes Taylor, Commanding, Royal Artillery in Fort St. George, to carry on the duties of my appointment as Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General, and placed my official residence at his disposal. Shortly after I left the country Captain Taylor received orders to hold himself in readiness to join the dépôt at Woolwich; he therefore did not think it worthwhile to move from his quarters in the fort to those belonging to me, which he had originally intended to do. On Captain Taylor leaving for England, Lieutenant-Colonel Shelley, Staff Officer and Superintendent of Details, was appointed to act as Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General, and, as he was already occupying "free quarters" in the fort, he did not move into mine, which, therefore, were vacant for three months.

I am aware that when an officer wishes to vacate his quarters temporarily he should give notice to the Barrack Master, but in my case I was unable to do so, for when I left for England I was under the impression that Captain Forbes Taylor would occupy my quarters, and it was not until I returned to the fort that I was aware that they had remained vacant.

No. 5024.

Forwarded.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
21st December 1885.

(Signed) A. JOHNSON, Brigr.-Genl.,
Commanding, Eastern District.

No. 124. ORDER THEREON, 12th February 1886, No. 943.

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council regrets that he is unable to exempt Major R. M. Clerk from the payment of house-rent for the period of his absence on privilege leave.

2. The Government have frequently ruled in the Public Works Department that, as in the case of private houses rented for occupation, sufficient notice of intention to vacate public quarters must be given to ensure release from liability for payment of rent.

3. Notice not having been given by Major Clerk, his request for a refund is inadmissible.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) A. KENNEY-HERBERT, Lt.-Col.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Quarter Master General, with 1 enclosure.
" Controller of Military Accounts.
" Public Works Department.

P. H. D.

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To THE QUARTER MASTER GENERAL,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated February, 12th.

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Nos. 123-124.

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Clerk, Major R. M., Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General.—Claim of — to a refund of house-rent deducted from his pay for the period of his absence on privilege leave, disallowed.

With order

6470-17-2-85-
6480-18-6-85-
1510-18-6-85-
1720-14-1-86-
450-6-1-86-
30840-9-12-85-
28350-26-11-85-
27040-12-11-85-
24670-20-10-85-
28490-19-11-85-
1785-17-14-February 1886

Returned with remarks
opposite each item. See

17.11.85

19.2.86

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To the Secy. to the G.O.
P.W. Dept.

Sir, In continuation of
my telegram of the 17th
February, I am directed
to forward a list of the
models of irrigation works
sent from this Presidency
to the London Colonial &
Indian Exhibition of 1886,
with brief descriptive
remarks against each.

Yours etc.

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To S. 9. for counter
& modification of
the necessary

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(Signed) J. J.

S. E. V. bickel for
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