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READ—again the following paper:—

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READ—also the following paper:—

From the Officiating Under Secretary to the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department (Pay and Allowances—Travelling Allowances), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Simla, the 11th May 1895, No. 2237-P.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 927, dated 1st November 1894, in which you invite the attention of the Government of India to certain hardships occasioned by the interpretation placed by the Account officers on the rules in the Civil Service Regulations which regulate the exchange of daily allowance for mileage in the case of short journeys performed in less than 24 hours.

2. As regards the case of inferior servants dealt with in paragraph 2 of your letter, I am to say that the Accountant-General, Madras, has not applied the rules correctly. The intention of Article 1177 of the Civil Service Regulations is that the *bonâ fide* railway fare actually paid by an inferior servant should be refunded by the State, and that in addition to the fare he should be granted any daily allowance to which he may be entitled under the general rules.

It therefore follows that inferior officers making railway journeys on two successive days involving an absence of less than 24 hours from head-quarters should receive single railway fare for each journey, *plus* one day's daily allowance, if they belong to the class of officers who are entitled to daily allowance.

3. With regard to the general interpretation of Article 29 read with Article 1170, discussed in the letter of the Government of Madras, I am to say that the view taken by the Accountant-General is opposed to the intention of the rules.

4. The proviso in Article 29 that a total absence from head-quarters of less than 24 hours is not counted as two days was introduced into the rule to prevent an officer, by arranging that midnight should intervene, drawing larger allowances for a short absence of less than 24 hours, than would have been admissible if the journey had been performed within the limits of a single calendar day. The interpretation now placed on the rule by the Accountant-General limits an officer drawing mileage allowances to less travelling allowance than would have been so admissible.

This was not the intention of the proviso in Article 29, which, to avoid any further difficulty of interpretation, has now been amended as follows:—"But an absence from head-quarters, which does not exceed 24 hours, is reckoned as one day at whatever hours the period begins and ends."

Copy, with a copy of the letter to which it is a reply, forwarded to the Public Works Department, to the Comptroller and Auditor-General, all Accountants-General, and Comptrollers for information.

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(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

To the Public Works Department.

- „ Revenue Department.
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