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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

14<sup>th</sup> August 1884, No. 3943

Pensions.

Read the following papers :—

No. . From Colonel H. T. ROGERS, R.E., Superintendent of the Madras Survey, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department; dated Madras, 4th April 1884, No. 87-G.

I have the honor to enclose a letter from Head Surveyor Mr. McMahon, an Ordnance artificer doing duty with the Survey department.

2. I trust that Government may be able to accede to his request and allow him to purchase his discharge for Rs. 640 and count service for civil pension from the date of his joining this department. Mr. McMahon joined the survey in 1873 and has done good work and bears a good character.

3. The delay in applying to Government on Mr. McMahon's behalf is due to my having awaited G.O., dated 8th March 1884, No. 1164, Military Department.

From Mr. R. McMAHON, Probationary Sub-Assistant, Madras Survey, in charge Parlákimedi Survey, to the Deputy Superintendent, No. III Party, Madras Survey, Madura; dated Parlákimedi, 19th December 1883, No. 492-361.

Reference memorandum, No. 205, forwarding copy of Superintendent's docket, No. 511-III, dated 27th November 1883, for my information.

I beg to report that I was in total ignorance of the rule allowing me to count only one year's service for civil pension previous to the date from which I take my discharge from the army. Had I been aware that such a rule existed I would have endeavoured my utmost to purchase my discharge within the first year of my civil service. A good portion of the best of my working years have been given to the service, and it is hard on me that, after 16 years and 8 months' service—6 years and 7 months in the military and 10 years and 1 month in the civil—I should be allowed to count only one year's service towards pension. My duties have been, and are likely to be, in malarious districts, and it is impossible to tell whether I will be able or not to work in the civil service for a period of years sufficient to allow me to retire on a pension. If I had purchased my discharge in the first year of my civil service the payment would have been Rs. 640; if purchased now I will have to pay Rs. 140 or thereabout. I therefore most humbly beg that you will kindly take my case into consideration and obtain for me the privilege of paying the former amount, and allowing me to count for pension from the date of my entering the civil service. On my being informed, as requested in my letter, No. 477-348, of 11th December 1883, the amount will be sent as directed.

Mis. No. 1594.

Transferred to the Military Department for disposal.

(By Order.)

OOTACAMUND,  
15th April 1884.

(Signed) E. S. LAFFAN,  
Ag. Under Secy. to Govt.

No. . From the Inspector-General of Ordnance; dated 29th April 1884, No. 16-G.

No. . With report from Controller of Military Accounts; 7th May 1884, D.

No. . To the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department;  
dated 21st May 1884, No. 2429.

No. . From Major E. COLLEN, Officiating Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, to Lieut.-Colonel A. KENNEY-HERBERT, Officiating Secretary to the Government of Madras, Military Department; dated Fort William, 28th July 1884, No. 1786-E.

## Pensions.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your endorsement, No. 2429, dated the 21st May 1884, and in reply to say, for the information of the Governor in Council, that the Government of India see no sufficient reason for departing from the rule in exception 4, section 57, of the Civil Pension Code, and are therefore unable to accord sanction to Carnatic Ordnance Artificer Robert McMahon reckoning his service in the Survey department, on purchase of discharge, under the Uncovenanted Civil Service Rules.

2. I am to point out that Madras Government Proceedings, No. 1164, of 1884, which rules that it is not necessary for Ordnance artificers to purchase their discharge when in civil employ, unless the scale of men authorized to be employed in other departments has been exceeded, appear to have been issued without reference to the ruling quoted above, and may, it is thought, mislead the men.

No. . ORDER THEREON, 14 August 1884, No. 3942.

The reply of the Government of India communicated to the Revenue Department and the Inspector-General of Ordnance.

2. With reference to para. 2 thereof, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council observes that O.G., No. 1164, dated 8th March 1884, ruling that, so long as the number of Carnatic Ordnance artificers in civil employ was within the authorized allotment for that purpose, purchase by discharge was not necessary, was issued in correction of the opinion of the Inspector-General of Ordnance that in all cases discharge by purchase within twelve months of joining civil appointment was compulsory. It was not intended to place any difficulty in the way of men voluntarily seeking, and recommended for, the indulgence.

(True Extract.)

*A. Kenney-Herbert*

Lt.-Col.,

Offg. Secretary to Government.

To the Revenue Department.  
" Inspector-General of Ordnance.  
" Controller of Military Accounts.  
" Pension Department, for information.

Exd. P. L. Pereira.

*Pension Department*  
Govt. of (1884) Madras.

MILITARY.

To  
THE REVENUE DEPARTMENT,  
&c., &c., &c.

*N<sup>o</sup> 1040*

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Pensions.

McMahon, Carnatic Ordnance Artificer R.—  
Application from —, for permission to count his  
service in the Survey department, on purchase  
of discharge, for pension under the Uncovenanted  
Civil Service Rules, negatived by the Govern-  
ment of India.

*Order shown 27-Sept-84 N<sup>o</sup> 831*

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