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Pen. Dept.
No. 5
Memo.

The undersigned has the honor to request the Civil Paymaster to state with reference to the report from his Office No. 730 dated 23^d ultimo, under what regulation or order the service of Ordnance artificers in the S. P. W. prior to their being struck off the strength of their Corps is excluded in reckoning the service counting for gratuity -

It appears from the regulation quoted by the Controller of Military Finance in his letter to the Civil Paymaster that this service does not qualify

for any reward in the Military
Department.
Fort St George (Sig²) W. F. Kern
4 January 1868 By Secy to Govt
To The Civil Paymaster

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Corps and on the 23^d July 1858 struck off its
strength, from which date to 31st October 1858
he is stated to have been unemployed -
Reckoning therefore from 1st Nov^r /58 it gives
him a service of 4 - 5 - ^{y. m.} He is said to
have in temporary employ prior to Jan^y 1857

Their actual qualifying service in the
Civil Department is calculated from the date
they were reemployed after being struck off
the ordnance corps and consequently falls
short of 5 years.

It is not stated why they were
both remanded to their Corps which
caused the break in their services.

No. 41.

FROM

W. H. KERR, Esq.,

Deputy Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

I have the honor by the direction of His Excellency the Governor in Council to submit, for the favorable consideration of the Government of India, the question whether Ordnance Artificers employed in the Department Public Works should not be allowed to count as service qualifying for a Civil pension or gratuity the whole of their service in permanent appointments in that Department.

2. By the rules at present in force this service qualifies for Civil pension only after the men have been struck off the strength of their Corps, while a Military annuity or gratuity is only given to men actually in performance of Regimental duty; it seems therefore that men in the position described above, are deprived of all pensionary reward for their service.

Vide annexed copies of Reports of Controller of Military Finance, and Civil Paymaster.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

FORT SAINT GEORGE,

2^d February 1864.

Deputy Secretary to Government.

From Colonel T. McGOON, Controller of Military Finance, Fort Saint George; to the Civil Paymaster, Fort Saint George, dated 7th December 1863, No. 1158.

With reference to your letter of the 25th November 1863, No. 646, requesting an opinion as to whether a Non-Commissioned Officer or Private of the Army, who has been employed in the Civil Department, can be considered eligible to a gratuity if remanded to his Corps after a number of years service, consequent to the reduction of the Department in which he was serving, I have the honor to

* Paragraph 25, page 377, Pay Code.

state that, under Regulation, Regimental duty can alone qualify for gratuity on discharge, but the circumstance of a man having served in a Civil Department does not render him ineligible for the reward. Such claims are determined with reference to conduct during the whole period of service as prescribed in the form of the Recommendation Roll laid down at page 370, G. O. C. C., dated 11th August 1856; the recipient must, however, be in performance of Regimental duty when recommended for the reward.

No. 730.

REPORT OF THE CIVIL PAYMASTER.

General Department.

In continuation of report of the Civil Paymaster, dated 24th November 1863, No. 643, the undersigned has the honor to state that the service of Mr. J. Simpercien, Sub-Overseer, 2nd Class, 1st grade, Department Public Works, can be verified from the office records of the Civil Paymaster and Controller and Auditor of Public Works Accounts from 1st January to 31st July 1857, and from 27th April 1858 to 31st March 1863. His service from 11th December 1851 to 31st December 1856 was of a temporary nature. From 1st August 1857 to 26th April 1858 he was not employed in the Civil Department having been remanded to his Corps. He was struck off the strength of the Corps of Ordnance Artificers on 8th July 1858. Service after that date only counts towards gratuity, and as it amounts to years 4-8-24 he is not eligible to gratuity under the Civil Rules.

Memo.

Mr. Simpercien and Mr. Smith Sub-Overseers
in the D.P.W.

The Civil Paymaster verified their services thus:
Mr. Simpercien

From 1st Jan'y to 31st July 1857 — yrs m d
" 27th April 1858 to 31st March 63 — " " "

In temporary employment
from 11th Decr 51 to 31st Decr 56 } — 5-0-24

For the interval between 31st July 1857 and 27th April 1858 he is stated not to have "been employed in the Civil Department, having been remanded to his Corps" — from the strength of which he was struck off on the 8th July 1858 — Reckoning after this date, his service amounts to 4-8-24 —

Mr. H. Smith

From 1st Jan'y to 31st July 1857 — yrs m d
" 1st Nov 58 to 31st March 63 — " " "

In the interval he was remanded to his Corps

The service of Mr. H. Smith, Sub-Overseer, 2nd Class, 3rd grade, Department Public Works, can be verified from the office records of the Civil Paymaster, and Controller and Auditor of Public Works Accounts from 1st January to 31st July 1857, and from 1st November 1858 to 31st March 1863.

He was remanded to his Corps from 1st August 1857, and on the 23rd July 1858 was struck off its strength. His service prior to January 1857 was of a temporary nature. He appears to have been unemployed from 24th July to 31st October 1858. His service towards gratuity can be reckoned only from 1st November 1858, when he was re-employed after his connection with the Corps of Ordnance Artificers had ceased, but as it amounts to only years 4-5-0 he is not eligible to any gratuity under the Civil Rules.

CIVIL PAYMASTER'S OFFICE,
FORT SAINT GEORGE,
23rd December 1863.

(Signed) W. DONALD,
Chief Assistant in charge
of Civil Paymaster's Office.

To the Chief Secretary to Government, C. P. Department.

No. 17.

OFFICIAL MEMORANDUM.

General Department.

The undersigned has the honor to state that as the Ordnance Artificers were at the time referred to drawing Military pay, this Department under Clause 121 b. of Chapter III, Civil Auditor's Manual, considered that they could not claim their service as counting towards pension, even though they drew Civil pay during the period. This, however, is in the opinion of the undersigned a peculiar case not exactly met by any rule, and deserving of reference to the Supreme Government, for special orders.

CIVIL PAYMASTER'S OFFICE,
FORT SAINT GEORGE,
15th January 1864.

(Signed) R. W. LODWICK,
Civil Paymaster.

To the Deputy Secretary to Government, Pension Department.

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From The Secretary to the
Govt of India
N^o 1060

Dated 26th February 1864
Re: 16th March 1864

With reference to
the eligibility of Carnatic
Ordnance artificers in the
Depart. Public Works, States
that service rendered in
the Civil Depart. during
continuance of a Military
contract, i.e. without formal
discharge of the enlisted man
from the Army, cannot
count towards Civil Pension.

N^o 146

Exd. J. Tulloch.

No. 1060.
 FROM E. H. LUSHINGTON, Esquire,
 SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
 FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT;
 TO THE DEPUTY SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF FORT SAINT GEORGE.
 Fort William, the 26th February 1864.

Financial Department.

Sir,

In acknowledging the receipt of your letter, No. 41, of February 1864, I am directed to remark that the annuities for meritorious service, and the gratuities for good conduct which are granted, to a limited extent, to European Soldiers, are irrespective of pensions to the European Army, and are given for purely Military service of a character different from that rendered by the Carnatic Ordnance Artificers in the Department of Public Works. The exclusion of these Artificers from these exceptional and peculiar rewards is not tantamount to a deprivation of all pensionary reward for their service; their pensions appear to be provided for in page 242, paragraphs 72 and 73 of the Madras Pay Code.

2. Regarding their eligibility to Civil pension, I am to state that service rendered in the Civil Department, during continuance of a Military contract, & c., without formal discharge of the enlisted man from the Army, cannot count towards Civil pension.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

E. H. Lushington
 Secretary to the Government of India.

[Ed. N. R. Nundy]

Pension Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following Papers.

From the Superintending Engineer & Pension (Here enter 7 September 1863)
 From the Controller of Military Finance (Here enter 7 December 1863 No. 1158)
 From the Chief Assistant in Charge of Civil Pay Master's Office (Here enter 23^d December 1863 No. 730)
 To the Secretary to Government of India (Here enter 3^d February 1864 No. 11)
 From the Secretary to Government of India (Here enter 26th February 1864 No. 1060)
 Order thereon 31st March 1864 No. 146

Ordnance Artificers

Messrs J. Simpercin and H. Smith
 having served less than 5 years in
 the D. P. W. Since they were struck
 off the strength of their Corps,
 are, as stated by the Civil Pay-
 Master in his report of 23^d Dec-
 1863, not eligible to gratuity under
 the Civil Pension Rules.

2. Ordered that ^{the} foregoing
 letter from the Government
 of India be communicated to
 the

the Civil Pay Master and Controller
of Military Finance for informa-
tion and guidance.

W. H. C.

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To the Superintendent Eng^g & Division
To the Civil Pay Master
To the Controller of Military Finance

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PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT.

Dated 31st March 1864