

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

pension DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Pension Department,
3rd May 1866.*

Read the following letter from the Controller of Military Accounts, Fort Saint George, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George: dated 11th April 1866, B.

I have the honor to forward copy of a communication, dated 6th March 1866, No. 1572C, from the Controller General of Military expenditure, on the subject of the payment of Pensioners of the Civil Establishments of the Military Department, from which it appears that the stipends of such pensioners, those pensioned from the Secretariat alone excepted, will remain, as heretofore, a charge on the Military estimates, and will continue to be disbursed through the intervention of Military Paymasters.

2. A copy of each of the five forms referred to in the communication is submitted, and I shall feel obliged by their return.

3. In pursuance of instructions contained in the Controller General's letter, dated 12th July 1865, No. 392C, Civil Pensioners of the Military Department, pensioned subsequent to 1st May 1865, have been paid in the Civil Department; but I am directed to consider that arrangement as cancelled.

Financial Resolution of Government of India, No. 908, dated 20th June 1865.

4. It will be observed that the form of Descriptive Roll prescribed (Form No. 1), differs from that required by Notification, dated 4th July 1865, and the adoption of the new form, therefore, requires the special sanction of Government.

"Fort Saint George Gazette," 4th July 1865.

5. In this Presidency, the system differs materially from that which appears to obtain in Bengal. In the latter, all these pensioners are apparently paid either by Circle or Pension Paymasters.

6. The great majority of such pensioners in this Presidency reside at Madras, and they, as well as most of those residing at out-stations, receive their pension through the department in which they have served; but there are some residing generally at a distance from Military stations, who receive their pension from Civil Treasuries.

Government letter, dated 10th April 1827, No. 296.

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Proceedings of Government, Financial Department, 23rd June 1865, No. 310.

7. I refer to men pensioned prior to 1st May 1865, those pensioned subsequently having all been paid in the Civil Department, as above explained.

8. With a view to conform, as far as practicable, to the course prescribed in Bengal, I propose that all the pensioners of the Civil Establishments of the Military Department at the Presidency (those of the Secretariat excepted)

149 pensioned prior to 1st May 1865.

should be paid by the Presidency Paymaster, in the manner indicated by the Controller General, and that all those resident at out-stations, where there is a Circle Paymaster, should be paid by such Paymaster.

9. That the pensioners now paid by Officers (such as Officers in charge of pensioners, drawing from the Circle Paymasters) at out-stations, where there is no Paymaster, should continue to be so paid on the prescribed voucher (Form No. 3), the payments being entered in the Circle Paymaster's disbursements.

10. And that those paid at Civil Treasuries, where there is no Pay Office, should be so paid on the above voucher (No. 3), the list of such payments, with vouchers, being, as at present, forwarded to the Accountant General, and examined and adjusted on transfer to the Military Accountant, in the Military Department.

11. As there are no itinerating Pension Paymasters in this Presidency similar to those in Bengal, Form 5 is inapplicable.

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12. I request the sanction of Government to these proposals being carried out in pursuance of the instructions received from Calcutta.

ORDER THEREON, 3rd May 1866, No. 152.

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2. A copy of the Controller's letter will be forwarded to the Accountant General for his information.

(True Extract.)

Acting Under Secretary.

To the Controller of Military Accounts, with five Forms returned.
" Accountant General.
" Military Department, for information.

Exd. J. Wright.

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