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MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers:—

From the Ag. Secy. to the Military Fund..... Here enter 25th January 1867.

Report from the Contr. of Mily. Accounts..... „ 8th Feby. „ B.

From Lieutenant Colonel A. RITHERDON, Acting Secretary in charge of Military Fund, on behalf of Government, Fort Saint George, 25th January 1867; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

In forwarding herewith a copy of the final Proceedings of the late Directors

EXTRACTS.

The Directors are not aware of the system that may be introduced by Government for the future management of the Fund, but as one of their last acts, they resolve to bring to the notice of Government, for favorable consideration, the services of the good and trustworthy clerks now employed in the office establishment, and they will consider it their duty to bring to the notice of Government, especially, the valuable and efficient services rendered by Captain Obbard, during the protracted period he has performed the onerous duties of Secretary to the Institution, and their hope, that his great ability and experience may be made available to the State in the management, under their orders, of the affairs of the Fund.

IV. The Secretary submits memorandum on behalf of the clerks of the Military Fund Office, relative to their position in the office and their past services, and begs that their claims may be recommended for the favorable consideration of Government.

RESOLVED.—That the Secretary address Government on the subject.

* *Vide Directors' Minutes of Proceedings, 7th August 1856.*

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† *One of whom has since died.*

tiations for the transfer of the Fund to Government were then pending, no action in regard to their claims was taken.

4. I am instructed, therefore, now that the transfer has been completed, to urge the subject of pension for the favorable consideration of Government, with a request that while such of the employes as are now so entitled, may be granted, on application, pensions agreeably to the scale laid down by Government for their uncovenanted servants; the services of the others on the establishment may, at the same time, be recognized as qualifying for pension, from the dates they were res-

pectively brought upon the strength of the establishment. On this subject I have only to add, that at present the

widow† of a late manager of this office, continues to enjoy a pension from the Fund, and on reference also, it will be found that the Madras Medical Fund, as well as the Bengal and Bombay Military Funds, have granted pensions to their superannuated employes.

of the Military Fund, I have the honor, under their instructions, to request the favorable consideration of Government, more particularly to the extracts therefrom as noted in the margin.

2. Accompanying is also a list of the present employes in the Military Fund Office, shewing dates of admission on the establishment, from which it will be seen that four of them have already reached that period of service, which, under the Uncovenanted Service Rules, would have entitled them to pensionary advantages had they served in any office under Government.

3. The printed rules of the Fund do not provide for the grant of pensions, but though this subject has not been expressly introduced into the rules, the question of the expediency* of holding out a 'prospective reward' for 'long and useful service,' was some years back

before the Board, but it does not appear at that time that any individual was desirous of quitting his employment in the office: later, however, two applicants† presented themselves for pension, but as nego-

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widow† of a late manager of this office, continues to enjoy a pension from the Fund, and on reference also, it will be found that the Madras Medical Fund, as well as the Bengal and Bombay Military Funds, have granted pensions to their superannuated employes.

5. Should any difficulties arise in regard to this appeal on behalf of the good and trustworthy employes in respect of pensionary advantages, I would take the liberty of suggesting that, perhaps it might meet the views of Government, in preference to grant them compensation for *past services, with the advantage* of still continuing in service, and reckoning the same under Government from the date of the transfer of the Fund, *viz.*, 10th September 1866.

6. On the occasion of the transfer of the Fund in London in September last, to the Director of Military Funds, India Office, the Home Committee specially solicited the Secretary of State for India for the grant of an honorarium of £2,000 to Messrs. Grindlay and Co., the Fund Agents, for their past services: Government is not unmindful of the fact, that, in the transfer of the Fund, the considerable sum of Rupees 1,22,26,393 or £ sterling 1,375,469 was at once placed at its disposal by the subscribing members.

7. I am also particularly instructed to request that the present employes of the Military Fund Office may be considered in every respect as purely Government servants, eligible for any of the ordinary situations under it, without being subject to the ordeal of passing the Uncovenanted Civil Service Examination. In an establishment like the present—underpaid as it is—where its correspondence is as important, and its accounts as intricate as any under Government, the granting of the boon solicited cannot, I submit, prove disadvantageous to the State.

8. In conclusion, again soliciting, on behalf of the present employes, that Government will be pleased to accord favorable consideration to the claims of a body that has ever received the approbation (as recorded in the Directors Proceedings) of several Secretaries, for steadiness, intelligence, and regularity.

With report from the Controller of Military Accounts 8th February 1867. P

ORDER, No. 800, 5th March 1867.

Ordered to lie over, pending the instructions of the Government of India, regarding the future conduct of the duties of the Fund, with reference to paragraph* 7 of the Right Honorable the Secretary of State's Financial despatch, No. 126, dated 4th June 1866.

Docket to the Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India, M.D. | Here enter 5th March 1867, No. 801.
(True Extract.)

(Signed) H Marshall
Major General,

Secretary to Government.

To the Secretary in charge of Military Fund.
.. Controller of Military Accounts.
.. Accountant General, ... } for information.
.. Adjutant General, ... }
.. Financial Department, ... }

Ed. J. E. Cashart.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers:—

No. 2226.

Government of India, Financial Department, Simla, 26th August 1867.

Read extract from the Proceedings of Government in the Military Department, dated 25th June 1867, No. 353, and enclosures, relating to the question of the title to pension of persons employed in the establishments of the Military Funds, which have been taken over by Government.

RESOLUTION.—Considering all circumstances, the Governor General in Council is of opinion that the best course will be to bring the establishments of the Military Funds under the same rules for pensions which are applicable to the Uncovenanted servants of Government. Accordingly the employes of such establishments in grades eligible for pension will be allowed pensions and gratuities under the rules of 13th April 1864, while those holding offices not recognized for pension will be allowed gratuities under the rules contained in Financial Resolutions, dated 14th August 1857, and 6th June 1862, service of each man being reckoned from the date of his original engagement.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT, FORT WILLIAM, 18TH SEPTEMBER 1867.

No. 600.

Copy of the above forwarded to the Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, Military Department, for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, with reference to Major General Marshall's letter No. 801, dated 5th March 1867.

(By Order,)

(Signed) W. M. LEES Major,
Asst Secy. to the Govt. of India.

ORDER, No. 3827, 4th October 1867.

Communicated to departments concerned, for information and guidance, with reference to Proceedings of Government, No. 800, dated 5th March 1867.

(True Extract.)

H Marshall
Major General,

Secretary to Government.

To the Controller of Military Accounts.
.. Pension Department, with copy of Pro. No. 800 of 1867. *to spare Office*

Ed. J. E. Cashart.

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Proceedings of Government
Military Department

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Dated 14th
Dec^r 2nd 1867

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Supplying the Stationers to
Military Funds under the same
rules for Post-Office which are
applicable to the Vaccinated
Accounts of Post-Office
Under the same 1867 & 1868.
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