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No. 99. From Surgeon E. G. BALFOUR, Government Agent at Chepauk; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 14th November 1857, No. 332 of G. A.

SIR,

In my communication, dated 19th May, No. 128, paras: 19 to 24, I submitted a second time to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, observations on List 12, sent therewith, in which were recorded the names of His Highness the late Nabob's retainers, known as (*a*) people of the Neeazat, (*b*) Saadat and (*c*) Beycar, or (1) people of the vows, (2) descendants of Mahomed and (3) not performing any duties.

2. In para: 10 of Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 23rd July last, No. 567, after reviewing these Lists, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council notices having already ordered that (*a*) those of List 12, under 40 years of age shall have their Allowances continued for three years only; (*b*) those between 40 and 60 years of age be pensioned on a one ($\frac{1}{3}$) third rate of pension; while (*c*) all above 60 years of age and all women of whatever age be pensioned at one-half rates, the actual receipts alone being taken as the rule of finding the pension to which they are now to be entitled. I have now the honor accordingly, as there instructed, to re-submit List 12, parts 1, 2 and 3, having corrected the discovered discrepancies, and numbered from 1 to 11 inclusive the columns of this List; Column No. 11, containing against each individual's name, the amount which he or she will in future receive, the same being calculated on the average per mensem of the receipts, during the three years preceding the demise of His Highness the late Nabob of the Carnatic. The sums in column No. 11 of Part III of List 12, will be continued to these men under 40 years of age for the three years next, ending 31st October 1860; and the sums in column No. 11 of parts I and II will be continued, for life, at the rate of $\frac{1}{3}$rd of column 10 of the people named in part II, and at the rate of one-half of the sums recorded in column 10 of part I. The women of whatever ages obtaining one-half for life.

3. For convenience of reference I have put in the column of remarks, in red ink, the sums which these people are henceforth to draw.

4. It has taken this time to make for Office Record a Duplicate copy and to manipilate all the small calculations required for the above arrangements.

5. In forwarding these I would draw the attention of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council not to the number of Pensioners herein named, although they amount to 471 in number, but to the great number of pensions so small as not to be becoming the dignity of our Government to become the Donors of, and not to be of any use towards the becoming support of these recipients. The pensions as now calculated range from one Anna and a half to Rupees 36-1-7, and there are of less than one Rupee 128, of less than 8 Annas 36, and of less than 4 Annas 16 cases; being a total of 180 cases, with less than one Rupee per mensem.

6. I have on former occasions during the past years, frequently brought to the notice of Government the advisability of avoiding the creation of a large class of petty Pensioners, and I would only here submit as my opinion the necessity of endeavouring to avoid such creations.

Honorable Court's letter, dated 19th January, No. 1 of 1848, para: 56.
Rule 9 and Remarks in Government Agent's letter, dated 4th March 1851, No. 38, para: 10.
Govt. Agent's letter, dated 6th Sep. 1856, No. 66, para: 11 and generally.
Government Agent's letter, dated 19th May 1857, No. 128, para: 10.

7. As on the present occasion however Government have resolved on the treatment of these cases, I have the honor to suggest the application to the small Pensioners now to be brought into existence of the plan recommended in para: 33 of my letter of the 25th December 1856, and that every man's pension if less than 6 Rupees and every woman's pension if less than 4 Rupees be paid not monthly, but Quarterly, Half Yearly, or Annually, as Government may be pleased to determine. I would only remark on this suggestion that in all cases of pension less than neces-

sary for the individual's support, the larger the interval the more will the recipient benefit and the payment of the Government will seem the larger and more bountiful.

(Signed) EDWARD BALFOUR,
Government Agent.

No. 27. ORDER THEREON, No. 1048; dated 15th December 1857.

1. With the above letter the Chepauk Agent re-submits, as required by Extract Minutes of Consultation, dated 23rd July 1857, para: 10, List No. 12, in 3 parts, of the late Nawab's retainers, known as the

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and
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and the pensions, &c., payable to them, on the average of their actual receipts for the last 3 years preceding the demise of the Newab, according to the Rules laid down in the orders noted in the margin.

Ex. Min. of Con. 19*th March* 1857, *No.* 230, *paras:* 17 *&* 18.
„ „ „ *23rd July* „ „ 567, 10.

2. The first list, containing all the men and women above 60 years of age, has in it 73 persons who are to be Pensioned for life on half their past actual receipts, and whose average pension, Rupees 199-9-10 ÷ 73, would be nearly Rupees $2\frac{3}{4}$ each per mensem, the rates varying from Annas 3-1 to Rupees 36-1-7.

3. The second list, containing those between 40 and 60 years of age, has in all 196 persons who are to be pensioned, the men on $\frac{1}{3}$rd, and the women on $\frac{1}{2}$ the average of their past receipts. Their allowances amount to Rupees 195, which would give about 1 Rupee each per mensem, and they range from Annas $1\frac{1}{2}$ to Rupees 8-10-8.

4. The 3rd list, containing those under 40 years of age, has in all 202 persons, the men to receive their full allowances for 3 years, and the women to be pensioned on $\frac{1}{2}$ for life, their average receipts amount to Rupees 585-10-11 ÷ 202 = Rupees 2-14 each per mensem. The allowance ranges from Annas 2-7 to Rupees 24-7-1.

5. In order to be relieved of the trouble incident to the monthly payment of the many pensions, now under consideration, which are of small amount, the Agent recurs to a proposal which he made before, in para: 33 of his letter of the 25th December 1856, *viz.*, that all the men's pensions below Rupees 6, and all the women's below Rupees 4 per mensem, be paid, not monthly, but quarterly. This was objected to before, and if adopted now, it would only partially remedy the evil. It is however indispensable that something should be done to reduce the number of these petty disbursements, and it is therefore resolved:—

6. That the 3 years' gratuities, proposed for the men in Part III, be paid to them in a consolidated sum at once. Though by this means Government will forego the chance of any lapses that may take place in the course of the next 3 years, yet the whole amount is small, and the saving of trouble would more than counterbalance any petty loss that may occur.

7. And, that as regards the men in Parts I and II, and all the women where the pension that would be allotted under the present calculation is, for a man under Rupees 2, or for a women under Rupee 1 a month, that is insufficient for their support, it be commuted into a bonus under the established Rules. The commutation as regards the women will be contingent on their consent, but as respects the men will be absolute.

8. The Agent will at once disburse the gratuities payable to the parties alluded to in para: 6 and the bonuses payable to those referred to in para: 7, and will submit the amount for sanction when the whole arrangement has been completed. He will also submit revised lists of the pensions which still remain to be granted.

Exd. J. A. Wilson.

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585 x 3 = R 1755

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+ that is in addition
for their support

Jeffreys
H. L.
H. C.
Wdl

Political Department

No 1048

Extract from the Minutes of Consultations
Under date 15th December 1857

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8. The Agent will distribute the pensions payable to the parties at the pauperism and the bounties payable to those entitled to it - and will submit the amount for sanction when the whole arrangement has been completed - He will also submit revised lists of the Pensioners & strike names of the parties

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Memo.
I submit that it is not necessary to give the men an option - They are not entitled to the pension - he must abide under Lawyer's advice - by the decision & consideration

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the Government Agent at Chepauk.
Accountant General
Civil Auditor with List Nos.

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