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Government of Madras.

Political **DEPARTMENT.**

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No. 27. From Surgeon E. G. BALFOUR, Government Agent at Chepauk ; to E. MALTBY Esq., Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 2nd September 1857, No. 254 of G. A.

SIR,

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council is aware that since the month of October last, there has, a very great amount of work additional to its former duties, been thrown on this Office.

2. I was quite prepared for that increase, and, as Government is aware, prepared to meet it by (1) so modifying the Stipend Receipts, as in lieu of the issue of one each month, to make one serve for several years ;—also (2) making all new grants of Stipends conditional on residence away from Madras.

3. The Right Honorable the Governor in Council is aware that neither of these diminutions, which were looked to as the great means of meeting and calculated to balance, the anticipated increase of work, could be conveniently carried out, and the work has been very great.

4. The Servants of Government employed along with me, in the Agency, have each more than another been solicitous to overcome the work.

5. But it is still too great for the Establishment and it is not safe for the interests of Government, longer to overtax the strength of this Office. The current entries into our Journals have fallen some months in arrears.

6. I ask permission to employ additional Clerks, for the next three months, to the extent of Rupees 100 per mensem.

(Signed) EDWARD BALFOUR,
Government Agent.

No. 28. ORDER THEREON, No. 758 ; dated 11th September 1857.

Government observe that some addition (Rupees 40 per mensem for three (3) months) to the Agent's Office Establishment was allowed in Extract Minutes Consultation, dated 24th June last, No. 493. The assistance now asked for is an increase to the extent of Rupees 100 per mensem for a similar space. As Dr. Balfour represents this increase to be absolutely necessary to bring up arrears of business, it is sanctioned for the term asked for, *viz.*, 3 months.

Exd. J. A. Wilson.

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