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Government of Madras.

Public DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
31st January 1866.

No. 120. Read the following letter from the Controller of Military Accounts, Fort Saint George, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, Fort Saint George; dated 20th January 1866, D.

I have the honor to forward a letter from the Examiner of Commissariat Accounts, dated 16th January 1866, No. 4193, soliciting the sanction of Government to the exemption of Mr. E. G. Firth, whom it is proposed to appoint as Manager in that office, from the operation of the Uncovenanted Service Examination Rules.

2. It appears that Mr. Firth has special qualifications for the duties, and has received a good English education at the Christ Church Hospital and Huntingdon Grammar Schools, while his present superior, Mr. Barton Wright, Locomotive Superintendent of the Madras Railway, testifies to his efficiency in conducting correspondence, and as an Accountant.

3. Mr. Firth seems to possess qualifications for the appointment which it is difficult to secure, and attainments much beyond the requirements of the Uncovenanted Service Rules.

4. I would, therefore, recommend that his entertainment be sanctioned, and that he be exempted from the operation of the above rules.

5. The available salary at present is Rupees 353, but Rupees 400 is the salary of the office, and will be passed as soon as the authorized prospective reductions make funds available. An annual increment of Rupees 25, until the salary reaches a maximum of Rupees 500, has been sanctioned.

From the Examiner of Commissariat Accounts, to the Controller of Military Accounts, Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 16th January 1866, No. 4193.

The appointment of Head Assistant in this office having become vacant, I have, for some time, been engaged in making careful inquiry, with a view to obtaining a man, who, by his educational attainments, general knowledge of accounts, and such other qualifications, as my experience in this office suggested as desirable, would prove an efficient Head or Manager to the large establishment under my charge.

2. I think I have at length succeeded in securing the services of such in a Mr. Firth, a gentleman who has received a good education in England, having been, in the first instance, at the "Blue Coat School" in London, and subsequently at the "Huntingdon" Grammar School, preparatory to his proceeding to Oxford; but circumstances making a mercantile life desirable, he entered the "Clearing House" in London (probably the best school in the world for an Accountant), and after remaining there for 3½ years, he was offered an appointment in the Railway Department in India, and is at present employed under Mr. Barton Wright, who has given me the enclosed testimonials, which appear to me to be eminently satisfactory.

3. The only objection to his immediate appointment is the fact of his not having passed the Uncovenanted Civil Service Examination, a standard of Educational acquirements comparatively so low as to offer, I should hope, no barrier to a person of Mr. Firth's antecedents and attainments being specially exempted therefrom.

4. I have, therefore, to request your support to my recommendation that, under the foregoing explanation, I be authorized to secure the services of Mr. Firth, without his being required to pass the General Test Examination, apparently rendered quite unnecessary in his case.

5. The appointment of a "Head Assistant" carries with it a present salary of 353 Rupees a month, rising to 400 Rupees, so soon as, by a reduction in the establishment, that sum becomes available, upon which an increase of 25 Rupees a month for every subsequent year, until it has reached a maximum of 500 Rupees a month, has been sanctioned.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
31st January 1866.

Referred to the Public Department.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
25th January 1866.

(Signed) R. HAMILTON, Colonel,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

No. 121. ORDER THEREON, 31st January 1866, No. 106.

The Governor in Council is pleased to exempt Mr. Firth from passing the General Test Examination.

2. It is observed that none of the special tests are applicable to the office to which it is proposed to appoint Mr. Firth.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Military Department, with 2 Testimonials returned.

- „ Commissioner for the Uncovenanted Civil Service Examinations.
- „ Accountant General.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

No 4193. Office of (Sundry) Cash Books
Madras 16th January 1866

The Controller of Military Accounts
Fort St George
Sir,

The appointment of Head Assistant in this Office having become vacant, I have for some time been engaged in making careful enquiry with a view to obtaining a man, who by his educational attainments, general knowledge of accounts, and such other qualifications, as my experience in this Office suggested as desirable, would prove an efficient Head or Manager to the large establishment under my charge. I think I have at length succeeded in securing the services of such a man, Mr. Firth, a Gentleman, who has received a good Education in England, having been in the first instance at the "Blue Coat School" in London and subsequently at the "Huntingdon" Grammar School, preparatory to his proceeding to Oxford; but circumstances making a Mercantile life desirable, he entered the "Pleasing House" in London (probably the best school in the

the post for an accountant), and
after remaining there for 24 years
he was offered an appointment in
the Railway Department in India,
and is at present employed under
Mr. Walter Wright, who has given
me the enclosed testimonials, which
appear to me to be eminently satis-
factory.

3. The only objection to his
nomination to the appointment is the
fact of his not having passed the
unconducted Civil Service exami-
nation, a requisite of which is a
requirement to compare his to his
as to offer. I think, however, in view
of a person of Mr. Smith's attainments
and attainments having already
completed these exams.

4. I have therefore to request your
support to my recommendation
that under the foregoing explanation
I be authorized to accept the services
of Mr. Smith without his being required
to pass the usual test examination, as
apparently rendered quite unnecessary

in his case.
5. The appointment of a Head
Assistant, with a present +
salary of 353 Rupees a month, rising
to 400 Rupees as soon as, by a re-
duction in the rateable house + other
income, becomes available upon which
an increase of 25 Rupees a month
for every subsequent year in 1891
has reached a maximum of 500 Rupees
a month has been sanctioned.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Yours obedient servant

J. Curilue - Major

(Copy of account account)

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Press No: 2330, G. M.—21-10-65—200.

OFFICE OF CONTROLLER OF MILITARY ACCOUNTS,
Fort Saint George, 20th January 1866.

From
The Acting Controller of Military Accounts,
Fort St. George,

To
The Secretary to Government,
Military Department,
Fort St. George.

SIR,

I have the honor to forward a letter from
the Examiner of Comptrol Accounts,
dated 16th January 1866, No. 4193, soliciting
the sanction of Government to the engage-
ment of Mr. C. G. Smith, whom it is pro-
posed to appoint as Manager in that
Office, from the operation of the uncom-
muted service examination rules. —
2. It appears that Mr. Smith has
special qualifications for the duties, and
has received a good English education
at the Christ Church Hospital and
Bundabon Grammar Schools, while
his present Superior, Mr. Boston
Wright, Locomotive Superintendent of
the Madras Railway, testifies to his
efficiency

*Mr. C. G. Smith
No. 4193
16th Jan 1866
Examiner of Comptrol Accounts
Fort St. George
20th Jan 1866*

efficiency in conducting correspondence,
and as an Accountant.

3. Mr. Smith seems to possess
qualifications for the appointment which
it is difficult to secure, and attainments
much beyond the requirements of the
uncovenanted service rules.

4. I would, therefore, recommend
that his entertainment be sanctioned, and
that he be exempted from the operation
of the above rules.

5. The available salary at present
is Rupees 353, but Rupees 400 is the
salary of the office, and will be paid as
soon as the authorized prospective re-
ductions make funds available - An
annual increment of Rupees 25 until
the salary reaches a maximum of Rupees
500 has been sanctioned. -)

I have the honor to be,

Sir,
Your Obedient Servant;

Thos Brown (Colonel)

Controller of Military Accounts.

Public 1866. Department.

No. 106.

PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT.

Dated 31 January 1867.

Press No. 2765, G. M.—14-11-65—500.

Public 1866 to 23rd

No 337

From

The Controller of Military Accounts,
Fort St. George.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Military Department,

Dated 20 January 1866.

Received 22-1-1866.

Enclosures. 3

Forwarded to the office of the
Comptroller of the Treasury
for examination of the
draft from the U.S.
Army & Navy.

He is not to be paid.

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To The Public Department
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Public Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read letter from Controller of
Military Accounts - thro' mili-
tary Department.

of 20 Jan'y. 1866. No 4193.

Order thereon 31st January 1866 No 106.

The Governor in Council
is pleased to exempt Mr.
Firth from passing the
General test examination.

2. It is observed that
none of the special tests
are applicable to the
office to which it is
proposed to appoint
Mr. Firth.

MA

JF

Military Dept
Comd. for the Secy & Co. Secy
as per order. } desps 3/2