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Public DEPARTMENT.

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FROM

R. S. ELLIS, Esq., C. B.,

Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

HOME DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

I am directed by the Governor in Council to submit, for the favorable consideration of the Government of India, an application which has been made by Dr. Hunter, Superintendent of the School of Industrial Arts, to be allowed to draw Presidency house-rent according to his rank, the consolidated salary of his appointment being 1000 Rupees per mensem.

2. I am to observe that the Governor in Council considers that the services rendered by Dr. Hunter in the appointment which he has held since 1854 entitle him to special consideration. Dr. Hunter has greatly contributed to the successful establishment of many Schools of Art in various parts of India, and has had much additional labor imposed upon him by the numerous applications which are made to him for assistance in connection with these establishments, and with Jails in which manufactures have been introduced.

3. There are at present 328 students receiving instruction from Dr. Hunter, and the pupils from the Engineering College have the advantage of receiving instruction at the School of Arts in the improved processes of manufacture applicable to materials for building and drainage works.

I have the honor to be,

FORT SAINT GEORGE,

Sir,

4th December 1867.

Your most obedient Servant,

Chief Secretary.

From Surgeon Major A. HUNTER, M. D., Superintendent of the School of Industrial Arts, Madras, to the Inspector General, Indian Medical Department; dated Madras, 29th October 1867, No. 439.

I understand that it has been ruled by the Supreme Government that all Surgeons Major residing at the Presidency towns are entitled to Presidency house-rent. I have the honor to request you will try to procure the same privilege for me, as the duties upon which I am engaged are becoming yearly more onerous and responsible. There are now twenty-nine Schools of Art in different parts of India, which have all originated from the Madras School. I have been applied to for advice, teachers, tools, lessons in drawing, engraving, modelling, carpentry, pottery, and blacksmiths' work, which have been supplied to a great many of these schools.

2. I am now applied to by the Superintendents of several Jails, the Government of the North Western Provinces, and the Governor of Port Blair, for similar assistance in introducing artistic and other manufactures. All this entails an increase of correspondence and responsibility, without any prospect of an increase to

my pay, as I am now out of the line of medical promotion. I was recommended by His Excellency the Viceroy to bring these matters to the notice of the Supreme Government, through the proper channel, and was told that my case would receive due consideration, as being a special one, not provided for in the re-arrangement of medical appointments. At present, there are 328 students receiving instruction in the Madras School of Arts, and of these 29 from the Engineering College learn the practical details of making building, draining, and ventilating materials, with a course of lectures on the chemistry of clays, building materials, and cements. The work done in the School of Arts is becoming yearly of more importance to the country, and the number of teachers who obtain remunerative situations is also yearly on the increase; but there has been no increase to the original expenditure on account of the school since 1856. On these grounds, I would respectfully request that I may either be granted an increase to my salary, or the usual house-rent, which has been sanctioned for Surgeons Major residing at the Presidency.

No. 434.

Forwarded to the Chief Secretary, for the favorable consideration of Government.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
4th November 1867.

(Signed) W. MACKENZIE, M. D.,
Insp. Genl., Indian Medl. Dept.

Referred to the Examiner of Claims, for report as to whether there is any objection to Dr. Hunter's drawing Presidency house-rent.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
22nd November 1867.

(Signed) F. BRANDT,
Under Secretary.

No. 889.

MEMORANDUM.

The undersigned has the honor to state that he is not aware of the Order under which Dr. Hunter now claims to be allowed the house-rent of his rank.

2. The Government of India ruled in letter communicated in Proceedings of Government, dated 25th July 1867, No. 2717, Military Department, that if an Officer desired the advantages of the new pay rules he must forego the old rates of pay which he had the option of drawing under paragraph 9 of G. O. G., No. 370. Dr. Hunter is drawing his pay of rank (Rupees 1056-9-7) under the warrant of 1864, as there is no pay allotted for his appointment in the scale attached in the G. O. named, and it was shown in this office report, No. 459, dated 29th June 1867, that, in addition of pay of rank, Dr. Hunter could not be allowed house-rent, as the consolidated salary, Rupees 1000, previously drawn by him as Superintendent, School of Arts, did not include that item. It appears, therefore, that house-rent cannot be passed to him, unless specially sanctioned by the Government of India.

26th November 1867. (Signed) W. DONALD,
Examiner of Claims.

To the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

Public Department.
No. 306
Memorandum

The Under Secretary to Government Public Dep. Department is directed to call the attention of the Magistrate of the Madras District to the Memorandum from this Department dated 10th May last No. 138 and to request the submission without further delay of the Estimate of the amount to be raised under sections 27 and 31 of the Madras Act X of 1865 for the year commencing 1st May last.

Fort St. George
8th October 1867.
Signed J. H. Donald
Under Secretary

To
The Magistrate of the
Madras District

Public Department.

N^o 138

Memorandum

The Under Secretary to Government
Public Department is directed to request
that the Magistrate of the Madras District
will be so good as to submit without delay
his estimate of amount to be raised under
Sections 27 and 31 of Madras Act 2 of 1865
for the year commencing 1st instant.

Fort Saint George. Signed J. Brandt
10th May 1867. Acting Under Secretary

To The Magistrate of the
Madras District

Public 1867 (repartha)

N^o 306.

Memorandum

Dated 8th October 1867.

Edⁿ 10th July 1867 4th 21-22.
P.P. 3rd Sept^r 35-36.
M.P. 25th July 2717.

N^o 434

Memo

Forwarded to the Chief
Secretary for the favorable
consideration of Government.

W. Macleod
Inspector General I.M.D.

Fort St. George
4 Nov^r 1867

Refused

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Dr. Hunter's report about
if substantiated to report that
President's House should be
granted to him like other
officers of his situation.

Refused to
examine of claims
for report as to whether
there is any objection
to Dr. Hunter's drawing
President's House.
Fort St. George 7 Nov^r 1867
22nd Nov^r 1867
J. Brandt
Under Sec^y

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Public Department.

No. 1523.

To

The Secretary to the Government
of India,

Home Department.

Sir,

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Governor in Council to sub-
mit for the favourable con-
sideration of the Government
of India, an application which
has been made by G. Hunter,
Superintendent of the School
of Industrial Arts, to be
allowed to draw Provisionary
House Rent, according to his
rank, the consolidated salary
of his appointment being 1000 Rs.
per mensem.

2. I am to observe that
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that services rendered by Mr.
Hunter in the appointment
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There are at present 320 students receiving instruction from Dr Hunter, and the pupils from the Engineering College have the advantage of receiving instruction at the School of Arts in the improved processes of manufacturing applicable to materials for building and drainage works.

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For Mr. George
to the Secy. of the Govt.

Memo for order

Dr Hunter applies for home rank of his rank, as holding a Presidency appointment for an increase ~~to the unsoldated pay of his~~ ~~Secretary's office.~~ ~~which is the pay of his~~

* The pay of the appl. is 1000 R. per mensem but Dr Hunter had the option of drawing under warrant of 64, his pay rank. 1056. 9. 7. *

~~order.~~ of Government. This question was decided against Dr Hunter by G.O. of 12th July. 67. No 220. and an increase of the salary of his appointment was refused in G.O. of 4th July 67. No 211.

Dr Hunter's claim must, under these orders, if admitted, rest on the fact that he is shut out from the higher appointments of the Medical Service & that he is entitled

to a personal allowance.
It is my dearest wish
the Govt of India should
sanction such a
allowance and no
doubt a Dept of the
school of arts could
be imported from
Henington on 1200 £
a year.

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I should be inclined
to ~~ask~~ ask the Govt. of
India to permit Dr
Hunter to draw his salary
in addition to the pay
of his rank as a General
in the army. He has done good
service in his present
appointment & is deterred
from rising in his profession by

the application of the
Govt. of India should
be made in the ^{most} liberal
manner. I think of the
house not to be sustained
with a debt of credit with
the other things.
Dr Hunter should have
a salary of 1000 £. through
the Govt. of India.
his intention is not through
the hand of the Govt.
Govt. has no concern
with him.

I have always doubted
and still doubt, whether
it would be a labor of great
difficulty to point to any of the real
benefits of the school of arts.
from the so called school of arts.

I have never yet heard of a
really good draughtsman who has been turned out of the
School, with a view to make a new, original design. Of
Copyists there may have been some, but these taught
at Christ Church in any number and at a high cost than
what for is now paid. It has been a mistake I think
to try and make a Professor of sculpture, drawing, painting
out of a man who was a physician. The one becoming
early and is spoiled, while the other is so little like what
the genuine artist should be, that good results are
wanting. For what Doctor Hunter is doing
better than to be a professor of the

I think in my great
the paper of D Hunter
so far as to recommend
it to the favorable
consideration of the
Govt. of India. I do
not know exactly what
amount of useful information
in the mechanical or
ornamental arts is imparted
in the Govt. School and
maybe that a more
qualified teacher could
have been procured from
Rangoon. But the help
the labours of D. Hunter
are appreciated elsewhere.
He sends out a number
of crafts men to the party
of India & he has worked
zealously according to his
knowledge. He is detained
for promotion in his own
prosperity. The conception of
house rent & maintenance
recognition of his services & more
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