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India Office,
London, 30th November 1867.

Public,
No. 162.

To His Excellency the Right Hon'ble The GOVERNOR
GENERAL of India in Council.

SIR,

In consequence of the great importance attached by the Astronomer Royal, and by the Royal Astronomical and Royal Societies, to an efficient observation near Masulipatam of the total solar eclipse which is to occur in August next, I have to inform your Excellency in Council that the organization of a scientific party under the direction of Major J. F. Tennant, of the Royal (Bengal) Engineers, to proceed to India to carry out the above object, has been sanctioned by me in Council.

2. The whole expense attending this undertaking will be equally shared by the Imperial and Indian Governments.

3. In connexion with this duty, Major Tennant will be assisted by three Non-Commissioned Officers of the Royal Engineers, and the salaries to be drawn by them while thus engaged will be as follows:—Major Tennant, Rupees 1,133-10 per mensem (being Rupees 700 staff salary attached to the rank of a 2nd Class Superintending Engineer of the 2nd Grade, and Rupees 433-10 Indian pay and allowances of a Captain in the Royal Engineers); Serjeant Henry Phillips, Rupees 150 per mensem; and Sappers Robert Talbot and Hugh Conway, Rupees 100 per mensem each. Free passages to and from India, with travelling charges from Calcutta to Guntoor and back, are to be granted to Major Tennant and his party.

4. I have permitted Major Tennant to take his departure for Calcutta by the Mail which leaves Marseilles on the 12th of January next, and to draw the special allowance above quoted from the date of the arrival in Calcutta of the steamer in connection with that which left Southampton on the 20th October last, by which vessel he would have proceeded to India had he not been detained in England on this duty. An advance, however, of three months' pay has been granted to him, which I desire may be adjusted by your Government out of the first pay to be drawn by Major Tennant in India.

5. In conclusion, I have to request that your Excellency in Council will extend to Major Tennant every facility in the prosecution of this important work.

I have, &c.,
STAFFORD H. NORTHCOTE.

Copy forwarded to the Government of Madras.
No. 44

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
30th January 1868.*

No. 153. Read the following Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, to His Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor General of India in Council; dated India Office, London, 30th November 1867, No. 162.

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No. 47.

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FORT WILLIAM,
HOME DEPARTMENT,
6th January 1868.

By Order,
(Signed) J. GEOGHEGAN,
Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 154. ORDER THEREON, 30th January 1868, No. 121.

Communicated to the Government Astronomer, and also to the Collector of the Kistna District, who will afford Major Tennant every assistance in his power in the prosecution of the work assigned to him.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Government Astronomer.

„ Collector, Kistna District.

Ed. J. H. Burns.

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despatch
that the
astronomer
at least*

appointed, if not he placed
at the head of the party - any how
a better sight he saw - containing some
such suggestions - I fear the old
work amount

Read the following letter from the
Under Secretary to the Govt.
of India, Home Department
Here enter 6 January 1908
Dec. 30 January 1908 No. 121.



I suppose it is too
late to demonstrate
but I think it is
very hard on her
poor heart this
unresting duty &
the

my hand on
 paper but this
 interesting duty should not have
 to the Gov. astronomer 3 days
 Col. Fisher district 3 1/2
 a telegram might be
 dispatched explaining
 that the local
 astronomer should
 at least be #

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Dated *McLanney* 1868.

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