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Government of Madras.

Public DEPARTMENT.

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No. 444.

FROM

THE HONORABLE R. S. ELLIS, C. B.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
 HOME DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

With reference to the correspondence noted in the margin, I am directed to

To Government of India, 4th January 1867, No. 13.
 From " 14th June " " 778.

Dated 26th March 1868, No. B.

annex copy of a letter, and of its enclosure,
 from the Controller of Military Accounts,
 requesting that the office of Family
 Payments and Pensions may be included

in the " Privileged List" to despatch and receive franked communications.

2. In my predecessor's letter of the 4th January 1867, No. 13, inquiry was made whether this office, as also those of the Circle Paymasters, should be included in the List of " Privileged Offices," and, in conceding the " Privilege" to the latter offices, the Government of India appear to have overlooked the greater claims of the former office.

3. It will be seen from the statement furnished with my predecessor's letter, above referred to, that the correspondence in the office of the Superintendent of Family Payments and Pensions is much more considerable, and the expenditure on postage labels much larger than those of the offices of the Circle Paymasters, which have been constituted " Privileged Offices."

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
 6th April 1868.

Chief Secretary.

From the Controller of Military Accounts, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, Fort Saint George; dated Fort Saint George, 26th March 1868, B.

I have the honor to submit, for the orders of Government, letter from the Superintendent of Family Payments and Pensions, requesting that his office may

No. 6018, 20th March 1868.

be included in the List of those privileged to despatch and receive letters free of postage.

2. The office of the Superintendent of Pensions was among those for which this privilege was solicited in letter of this Department to Government, A. of 14th December 1866, and it having then been brought to notice that the correspondence of the Pension Office considerably exceeded that of Circle Pay Offices, I presume that it, equally with the latter, came under the consideration of the Government of India.

3. In the Order of that Government, directing Pay Offices to be included in the List of " Privileged Offices," the application in behalf of the Pension and Family

Recorded in Pros. of Govt., No. 785, 5th July 1867.

Payment Office appears to have been overlooked, and this opinion would appear to be borne out by paragraph 2 of letter from the Under Secretary to the Government of India, No. 4168, of 31st August 1866, (recorded in Order of Government in the Public Department, dated 17th September 1866, No. 938,) which allows the extent of the official correspondence of a Department to be the principle on which its right to admission as a "Privileged Office" is to be determined.

4. The inconvenience which Major Michael reports in the final clause of his letter will doubtless be considered by Government.

From the Superintendent of Family Payments and Pensions, (forwarded through the Controller of Military Accounts,) to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, Fort Saint George; dated Fort Saint George, 20th March 1868, No. 6018.

With reference to my letter, No. 1558, dated 21st August 1866, I have the honor again

1866	...	...	...	RS.	A.	P.	
September...	...	...	...	92	11	6	respectfully to urge upon Government the
October ...	...	...	...	123	10	6	necessity for causing this office to be included
November...	...	...	...	141	11	0	amongst those privileged to despatch and receive
December...	...	...	...	89	2	0	franked letters free of postage.
1867.	...	...	...	...	...	...	
January ...	...	...	...	165	4	0	2. In the margin will be found the sums
February.	...	...	...	154	15	6	that have been expended monthly in purchasing
March ...	...	...	...	121	13	6	stamps since the rule came into operation,
April ...	...	...	...	126	8	6	amounting to Rupees 2334-2-2, and I need
May ...	...	...	...	145	11	6	hardly say that the duties of weighing and
June ...	...	...	...	141	1	6	stamping letters, and keeping detailed accounts
July ...	...	...	...	123	6	6	of the purchase and daily expenditure of so
August...	...	...	...	119	14	0	large a number of stamps, as well as of the dis-
September..	...	...	...	122	3	6	bursements for insufficiently stamped letters
October...	...	...	...	152	6	0	received, take up a great portion of the time of
November.	...	...	...	148	5	2	one of my best and most trustworthy Clerks,
December.	...	...	...	97	3	0	whom I can very ill spare.
1868.	...	...	...	...	...	...	
January ...	...	...	...	140	7	6	
February.	...	...	...	127	11	0	
Total...	2,334	2	2				

Transferred, with No. 1679, to the Public Department.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
31st March 1868.

(Signed) C. S. ELLIOT, Major,
Offg. Dy. Secy. to Govt.

Fort Saint George, 2
 Family Pay & Pension Office
 20th March 1868.
 No. 6018.

From
 The Superintendent
 of Family Pay & Pensions.
 To
 The Secretary to Government
 Military Department
 Fort Saint George.
 Sir,

With reference to my letter
 No. 1558 dated 21st August 1866, I have the
 honor to respectfully to urge upon
 Government, the necessity for causing
 this Office to be included amongst
 those privileged to dispatch and
 receive franked letters free of postage.

2. In the margin will be
 found the sums that have been
 expended monthly in purchasing
 stamps since the Rule came into
 operation amounting to Rs. 2334-2-2
 and I need hardly say that the
 duties of weighing and stamping
 letters & keeping detailed accounts of
 the purchase and daily expenditure
 of so large a number of stamps,
 as well as the disbursements
 for insufficiently stamped letters

June 1868 Capt.

From Government of
 Fort St. George.

To
 The Government of India.

No. 111.
 Enclosures
 spare copies.

Dated 6th April.
 R.
 D. No. Progs. {
 L. No. {

SUBJECT.

Recommending that the office of Family Pay-
 ments and Pensions may be included in the
 "Privileged List" to despatch and receive
 franked communications.

received take up a great portion
of the time of one of our best and
most trustworthy Clerks whom
I can very ill spare.

I have the honor to

Yrs
Yours most Obed Servant.

Wm. A. Miles —
Capt. of the 1st Regt. of Mass.

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OFFICE OF CONTROLLER OF MILITARY ACCOUNTS,
Fort St. George, 26 March 1868.

From
The Controller Military Accounts.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Military Department,
Fort Saint George,

Sir,
I have the honor to submit, for the order
of Government, letters from the Superintendent
of Family Payments and Pensions request-
ing that his Office may be included in
the List of those privileged to despatch
and receive letters free of postage.
2. The Office of the Superintendent of
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this privilege was solicited in letter of
this Department to Government of 14
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brought to notice that the correspondence

Secretary 1868 & subsequent

12/16/79

From
the Hon. Secy to Govt
to the Secy to Govt
the Secy to Govt
the Secy to Govt

Dated 20th 3rd March 1868.
Respectfully
Yours
to be done here.

Again urges upon
Govt the necessity for
ensuring his Office to be
included among those
privileged to despatch &
receive franked letters
free of postage -

Subscribed by me: 21/3/68.
W. G. 13

of the Pension Office considerably exceeded that of Civil War Officers, & it appears that it, equally with the latter, came under the consideration of the Government of India.

3. In the Order of that Government directing Civil Officers to be included in the List of Privileged Offices, the application in behalf of the Pension and Family Payment Office appears to have been overlooked, and this omission would appear to be borne out by para 2 of letter from the Under Secretary to the Government of India, No 4168 of 31 August 1866 (recorded in Order of Government in the Public Department dated 17 September 1866, No 38) which allows the extent of the official correspondence of a Department to be the principle on which its right to admission as a "Privileged Office" is to be determined.

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Michael

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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant
Robert
Controller of Works & Sec.

P.L. 18 July 1867 2 Apr 50-57.
Public Dept. 14 Jan 1867 2 Apr 50-57.
17 Sept 1866 1850-57.
And, Sept 1866 1850-57.

list of 21 April

Transferred, with
to the Public De-
partment.

With Recd. Major.
Off. by leg. to Govt.

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Public Dept. 1868 (29/Jan)

From No 1080
The Controller of Military Accounts,
Fort St. George,
To Pros. 6 April/68.
The Secretary to Government,
Military Department,

12/4/68

B

Dated 26 March } 1868
Received 27 April
Enclosures, 7

No 613. Endorsement.
Submits letter of
Supt of Family Payments and
Pensions requesting that his office
may be included in the Privileged
List "to despatches and receive
letters free of postage."

Transferred

despatch 15/4

To

The Secretary to the Government
of India,

Home Department

Sir,

To Govt of India 4 Jan 67 No 13.
From " " 14 June 778.

Dated 26 March '68 D.B.

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should be included in the list of "Privileged Offices". 5, in conceding the "Privilege" to the latter Offices, the Govt of India appears to have overlooked the greater claims of the former Office

3 It will be seen from the statement furnished with my predecessor's letter, above referred to, that the correspondence in the Office of the Superintendent of Family Payments & Pensions is much more considerable than ~~in any other Office~~ and that the expenditure on postage labels much larger than those of the Offices of the Family Payments which have been constituted "Privileged Offices".

Forth Gough
6 April 1868

4 It appears that the principle which governs the right of admission as a "Privileged Office" is determined by the extent of the correspondence in a Department, & are accordingly directed to

Recd. of Civil.

Dec 17. 1868. Department.

No. 1.

To
The Secretary to the
Government of Labor
Department.

Dated Dec 17. 1868.

Dec 17. 1868.

Recommending that
the office of Secretary
Department of Labor
may be included in
the "Principles of Labor"
Department and receive
practical communication.