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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department, *16th July* 1869.

No. 102. Read the following letter from the Inspector General of the Indian Medical Department, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Fort Saint George, 18th June 1869, No. 240.

I regret having to trouble Government on a subject the orders relating to which appear to me to be sufficiently plain; but as, after repeated communication with the Examiner of Claims, that officer still reads these orders otherwise than I do, I have no alternative but to submit this reference.

2. Up to the end of February 1869 compensation for house-rent to medical subordinates in civil employ, and apprentices attached to the Medical College, was passed in the Civil Department under paragraph 18 of Rules of revised pay and pensions of the Subordinate Medical Department. But since the date named the Examiner of Claims has declined to pass this charge, in consequence, he states, of the decision of the Government of India in the Public Works Department, communicated in Proceedings of the Madras Government, Military Department, No. 298 of 21st January 1869, which he holds to apply "to all subordinates equally, without reference to the establishment to which they are attached."

G. O. G. G., No. 550 of 1868.

3. I have pointed out to the Examiner of Claims that the order referred to plainly rules that the house-rent of *a certain class only* of medical subordinates, (viz., those employed in regimental or corresponding duty,) is to form a charge against the Public Works Budget grant; but that this ruling contains no authority, so far I can see, for the refusal of house-rent to subordinates employed in civil duties; to whom, it seems to me, the allowance should continue to be passed in the Civil Department as before.

4. I have also drawn attention to the decision of Government in the case of Hospital Apprentice West, attached to the Rajah's Hospital, Mysore, as showing that Government recognise the claim of apprentices and subordinates in the Civil Department to house-rent, though not as a charge against the Public Works Department.

Military Department, No. 1837, of 17th May 1869.

5. The Officiating Examiner of Claims, nevertheless, in a communication of the 14th current, still adheres to the opinion that "charges for free quarters should be passed by the Public Works Department, and not by his office;" and as the Public Works Department has already declined to pass the charge in question, (correctly, as it appears to me under the order marginally noted,) I am compelled to submit the question for the decision of Government.

Public Works Department, No. 1220, of 14th April 1869.

Referred to the Accountant General for his remarks.

Fort Saint George,
25th June 1869.

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Actg. Under Secy. to Govt.

No. 695.

MEMORANDUM.

The undersigned has the honour to report as follows :—

The revised Rules for the Subordinate Medical Department are published on page 1468 of *Fort Saint George Gazette* under date 19th June 1868, having been promulgated by the Governor General in Council on 5th June 1868.

2. Paragraph 18 directs that all subordinates should be supplied with free quarters "when on regimental or corresponding duty," and G. O. G., 22nd September 1868, No. 366, (*Fort Saint George Gazette*, page 503,) grants certain sums to medical subordinates when not supplied with free quarters.

3. Under these paragraphs this department passed the claims of medical subordinates for house-rent.

4. A doubt having arisen as to the exact meaning of the words "corresponding duties" in paragraph 18 of the abovementioned revised Rules, a reference was made to the Supreme Government by Colonel Dickens, Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, dated 17th December 1868.

5. In reply thereto, under date 31st December 1868, Colonel Dickens was informed that the term "corresponding duty" applied to all medical subordinates "on duty with British troops regimentally, with station hospitals, with depôts, sanitaria, and medical store depôts, as also with the Indian, Marine, and Telegraph Departments."

6. The above correspondence is recorded in Proceedings of Madras Government, Military Department, 21st January 1869, but this Department was not furnished with a copy thereof. On the immediate subsequent receipt of the Order, the Examiner of Claims declined to pass the compensation for house-rent, considering that Civil Hospitals could not be held to be "Station Hospitals," and I concur with him in this opinion.

7. In regard to Hospital Apprentice West's case I have only to remark that Government in their Proceedings of 14th April 1869, No. 1220, Public Works Department, merely declare that compensation to medical subordinates not employed in the specific duties abovementioned, cannot be admitted as a charge against the Public Works Budget grant without referring in the least degree to the case of medical subordinates in civil employ. I fail, therefore, to perceive how the Inspector General of the Indian Medical Department interprets this as "showing that Government recognise the claim of apprentices and subordinates in the Civil Department to house-rent."

8. In regard to the payment of charges for "free quarters" being disbursed by the Public Works Department, I beg to state that it was a mistake on the part of the Examiner of Claims to make any reference to the Public Works Department at all, and that he should have confined himself to the simple question of the refusal by this Department of the claims for compensation for house-rent made by medical subordinates.

FORT SAINT GEORGE, (Signed) F. LUSHINGTON,
29*th June* 1869. *Accountant General.*

To the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George.

No. 103. To the Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, dated Fort Saint George, 16th July 1869, No. 980.

I am directed to transmit the subjoined copies of the papers noted in the margin, and to request the decision of the Governor General in Council on the point raised by the Inspector General of the Indian Medical Department, viz., whether medical subordinates in civil employ, and apprentices attached to the Medical College, are entitled to compensation for house-rent under G. O. G. G., No. 550 of 1868, paragraphs 18 and 12.

From Inspector General of Indian Medical Department, to Chief Secretary, No. 240, dated 18th June.
Accountant General's Memorandum, No. 695, dated 29th June.

2. Subsequent to the receipt of the ruling of the Government of India in the Military Department* that the term "corresponding duty" in paragraph 18 applied to all the cases specified in paragraph 12 of the above cited order, the Audit Department in this presidency refused to pass the house-rent allowance to the medical subordinates specified (which, up to that time, they had drawn) on the ground that Civil Hospitals and Dispensaries are not "Station Hospitals."

3. The Inspector General contends that the order referred to merely determines the meaning of the words "corresponding duty" as regards chargeability of the allowance against the Public Works grant; and that the general question whether medical subordinates in civil employ, and apprentices attached to the Medical College, are included and entitled to the allowance has not been thereby decided.

4. I am to add that this Government in two cases which have come before it has acted in accordance with the view of the Accountant General, rejecting the claims for allowances for house-rent and camp equipage which were preferred by Apothecaries in civil employ.

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Actg. Secy. to Govt.

Exd. J. Wright.

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* Letter to Public Works Department, 31st December 1868, No. 1295.

1869.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

From
The Acting Secretary to Government,
Fort Saint George,
To
The Secretary to the Govt. of India,
Financial Department.

Dated 16*th July* 1869.
Recd.

No. 980.
Enclosure.

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Nos. 102-103.

Requesting the decision of the Government of India on the question whether Medical Subordinates in civil employ, and apprentices attached to the Medical College, are entitled to compensation for house-rent under G. O. G. G., No. 550 of 1868, paragraphs 18 and 12.

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EXAMINER OF CLAIMS
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No. 240

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL, INDIAN MEDICAL DEPARTMENT,

Fort Saint George, 18th June 1869

From

The *Inspector General, Indian Medical Department,*

Fort Saint George,

To

The Chief *Secretary to Government,* Public *Dept.*

Fort Saint George.

SIR,

I regret having to trouble Government on a subject the Orders relating to which appear to me to be sufficiently plain, but as, after repeated communication with the Examiner of Claims, that officer still reads these orders otherwise than I do, I have no alternative but to submit this reference.

G.O.G.G. No. 550 of 1868

2. Up to the end of February 1869 compensation for House rent to Medical Subordinates in Civil Employ, and apprentices attached to the Medical College was passed in the Civil Department under para: 18 of Rules of Revised pay and pensions of the Subordinate Medical Department. — But since the date named the Examiner of Claims has declined to pass this charge

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charge, in consequence, — he states, — of the decision of the Government of India in the Public Works Department communicated in Proceedings of the Madras Government Military Department No. 298 of 21st January 1869, — which he holds to apply "to all Subordinates equally, without reference to the Establishment to which they are attached."

3. I have pointed out to the Examiner of Claims that the Order referred to plainly rules that the House rent of a certain class only of Medical Subordinates, (viz those employed in Regimental or corresponding duty), is to form a charge against the Public Works Budget Grant, — but that this ruling contains no authority, so far as I can see, for the refusal of House rent to Subordinates employed in Civil duties, — to whom it seems to me, the allowance should continue to be passed in the Civil Department as before.

4. I have also drawn attention to the decision of Government in the case of Hospital Apprentice West, attached to the Rajah's Hospital Mysore, as showing that Government recognize the claim of Apprentices & Subordinates in the Civil Department to house rent, — though not as a charge against the Public Works Departt.

Military Deptt. No. 1837 of 17th May 1869.

5. The Officiating Examiner of Claims, nevertheless, — in a communication of the 14th Current, still adheres to the opinion that "charges for free quarters should be passed by the Public Works Department and not by his Office"; — and as the Public Works Department has already declined to pass the charge in question, (correctly, as it appears to me under the order marginally noted,) I am compelled to submit the question for the decision of Government.

Public Works Department No. 1229 of 14th April 1869.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedt. Servt.
J. Mackenzie M.D.
Inspector General
Indian Medl. Deptt.

Exd. P. D'Cruz

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Memorandum on a letter from the Inspector General, Indian Medical Department, dated 18th June 1869 No 240.

Clause 18 of

G. O. G. G. No. 552 of 1868, regarding the re-organiza[tion] of the Subordinate Medical Department prescribes that:

"When on regimental or corresponding duty all subordinates will be supplied with free quarters, or, when marching, with camp equipage. Hospital Apprentices will also receive a ration allowance of Rs 10 per mensem, when not dieted in the Hospital to which they may be attached, or in the Medical College. This latter grade will further be provided with the necessary barrack furniture, the usual

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5 Referred to the Accountant General for his remarks.

H. E. Stokes
Acting Under Secy

Fort St George
25 June 1869

Public 1869 Department

No. Dept.

From
The Inspector General,
Indian Medical Department,
Fort Saint George,

To
The Chief Secretary to Government,
Public Department,
Fort Saint George.

Dated 18th June
Received 19th
No. 240

No 1147

Submits for decision the question of House rent to Medl Subordinates in Civil Employ and apprentices attached to the Medl College

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The undersigned has the honor to report as follows -

1 - The Revised rules for the Subordinate Medical Deptt are published in page 1182 of Fort St George Gazette under date 19 June 18 having been promulgated by the Govr General in Council on 5 June 18

2. Para 18 directs that all Subordinates should be supplied with quarters "when on regimental or corresponding duty" and G. O. of 22 1868 & p 366 – Fort St George Gaz page 503) grants certain sums to Medl Subordinates when not supplied with free quarters -

3 Under these paras this departt passed the claims of Medl Subordinates for House rent -

4 A doubt having arisen as to the exact meaning of the words "Corresponding duties" in para 18 of the above mentioned Revised rules a reference was made to the Supreme Govt by Coll Dickens Secy to Govt of India P. W. Deptt dated 17 Decr 1868.

5 - In reply thereto under date 31 Decr 1868 Coll Dickens was infor that the term Corresponding duty applied to all Medl Subordinates on with British Troops regimentally, with Station Hospitals, with Depots & Medl Store Depots as also with the Indian Marine & Telegh Depar

6. The above correspondence is recorded in Pro: of Madras Govt Mil 21 Jany 1869, but this Deptt was not furnished with a copy thereof. On the immediate subsequent receipt of the order the Examiner of Claims dec pass the compensation for house rent considering that Civil Hosp could not be held to be "Station Hospitals" and I concur with h this opinion -

7 In regard to Hospl apprentice Weeks case I have only to rem that Govt in their Pro: of 14 apl 1869 No 1220 P. W. Deptt merely decl compensation to Medl Subordinates not employed on the specific duties mentioned cannot be admitted as a charge against the P. Works Budg Grant without referring in the least degree to the case of Medl Subordinates in Civil Employ - I fail therefore to perceive how the Inspr General of the Indian Medl Deptt interprets this as "shewing that Govt recognize th claim of apprentices and Subordinates in the Civil Deptt to house rent"

8, In regard to the payment of "charges for free quarters" being disbursed by the P. W. Deptt - I beg to state that it was a mistake on the part of the Examiner of Claims to make any reference to the P. W. Deptt at all & that he should have confined himself to the simple question of the refusal by this Deptt of the claims for compensation for House rent made by Medical Subordinates -

F. Lushington
Accountt General

29 June 1869.
To The Chief Secretary
to Government

allowance of bedding, and three suits of uniform clothing annually,—one for cold weather, and two for summer wear, free of cost."

2. Doubts having arisen as to the precise definition of the term "corresponding duty" in the foregoing clause; the matter was referred× by the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, and the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department replied+, that the term "corresponding duty" applied to all the cases laid down in paragraph 12 of Governor General Order, No 550, of the 5th June 1868, i.e. ×those on duty with British Troops regimentally with Station Hospitals, with Depôts, Sanitaria, and Medical Store Depôts, as also with the Indian Marine and Telegraph Departments.

3. Dr Mackenzie in his letter now circulated brings to notice that, up to the end of February 1869, compensation for house rent to Medical Subordinates in Civil employ, and Apprentices attached to the Medical College, was passed in the Civil Department under the Clause of the G.O.G.G. above quoted. But since February the Examiner has declined to pass the charge in consequence of the decision of the Government of India adverted to in paragraph 2 of this Memo.

4. Dr Mackenzie maintains that the decision in question is no authority

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+ 31st Decr 1868, No 1295.

× "The effective strength will comprise the numbers of the several grades actually necessary for the duties with European Troops regimentally, and in Station Hospitals, with depôts, Sanitaria, and medical store depôts, as also with the Indian Marine & Telegraph Departments, together with an additional margin of 10 per cent. in each grade to provide for detachments & other temporary duties."

for the refusal of house rent to Subordinates employed in Civil duties, to whom, it seems to him, the allowance should continue to be passed in the Civil Department; and he draws attention to the decision of the Government in the Military Department, dated 17th May 1869 No 1837, in the case of Hospital Apprentice West attached to the Rajah's Hospital, Mysore, as showing that this Government recognize the claims of apprentices and subordinates in the Civil Department to house rent, though not a charge against the Public Works Department.

5. When writing this letter Dr. Mackenzie was not aware of the orders passed by Government under dates the 29th May/69 No 715, 9th June/69 No 908, regarding the claims preferred by Apothecaries Thomas and Evans for "Tentage" and "House Rent", which, in accordance with the views expressed by the Accountant General were not allowed.

29th June 1869 No 695

6. The Accountant General to whom Dr. Mackenzie's letter was referred, states that the Examiner of Claims declined to pass the compensation for house rent considering that Civil Hospitals could not be held to be "Station Hospitals"; and he concurred with him in that opinion, and he adds as follows–

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"In regard to Hospital Apprentices' case, I have only to remark that Government in their Proceedings of 14th April 1869 No. 1220, Public Works Department, merely declare that com=pensation to Medical Subordinates not employed in the specific duties above mentioned, cannot be admitted as a charge against the Public Works Budget Grant, without referring in the least degree to the case of Medical Subordinates in civil employ. I fail, therefore, to perceive how the Inspector General of the Indian Medical Department interprets this as showing that Government recognize the claims of Apprentices and Subordinates in the Civil Department to house rent."

"In regard to the payment of charges for free quarters being disallowed by the Public Works Department, I beg to state that it was a mistake on the part of the Examiner of Claims to make any reference to the Public Works Departt. at all; and that he should have confined himself to the simple question of the refusal by this Departmt. of the claims for compensation for house rent made by Medical Subordinates.

7. Under the definition of the term "corresponding duty" given in paragraph 2 of this Memorandum, Apothecaries attached to Civil Dispensaries and Collectors'

Collectors' Establishments, are not entitled to house rent; but, as the question effects a large body of Subordinates, it is submitted that Dr [illegible]'s letter, with the Accountant General's Report thereon, may be referred to the Government of India, for their decision. The Government of India have already taken exception to the indiscriminate raising of salaries of the present Subordinates of the Medical Department under the G. O. G. G. No. [illegible] of 1868, and have reduced the Budget allotment; and it is advisable, therefore, that no additional allowance should be passed by this Government without ascertaining the views of the Government of India on the question raised

I would refer the subject to the Govt. of India

Agree

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No.

To

The Secretary to the Government
of India.
Financial Department.

Sir,

From Inspr. Genl. Indian Med. Dept. & Chief Secy.
No. 240 dated 18 June.
Accountant Genl's Memo.
No. 695, dated 29 June.

I am directed to transmit the subjoined copies of the papers noted in the margin and to request the decision of the Governor General in Council on the point raised by the Inspector General, Indian Medical Department, viz: whether Medical Subordinates in Civil employ and apprentices attached to the Medical College are entitled to compensation for house rent under G.O. G.G. No. 550 of 1868 paras 1&2.

2. Subsequent to the receipt of the ruling of the Government of India

in the Military Department× that the term "corresponding duty" in para 18 applied to all the cases specified in para: 12 of the above cited order, the Audit Department in this Presidency refused to pass the house-rent allowance to the Medical Subordinates specified, (which, up to that time, they had drawn) on the ground, that Civil Hospitals and Dispensaries are "not "Station Hospitals."

× Letter to Public Works Dept. 31st Dec. 1868 No. 1295.

3. The Inspector General contends that the order referred to merely determin the meaning of the words "corresponding duty" as regards chargeability of the allowance against the Public Works grant; and that the general question whether Medical subordinates in Civil employ and apprentices attached to the Medical College are included and entitled to the allowance has not been thereby decided.

4. I am to add that this Government in two cases which have come before it has acted in accordance with the view of the Accountant General, rejecting the claims for allowances for house rent and camp equipage which were preferred by Apothecaries in Civil employ.

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To
The Secretary to the
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Public DEPARTMENT.

From
The Chief Secretary to Government,
Fort Saint George.

To
The Secretary to the Govt. of India,
Financial Department.

Dated July 16 1869
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Requesting the ~~Govt.~~ decision of the Govt. of India on the question whether Medical Subordinates in Civil Employ & Apprentices attached to the Medl. College are entitled to compensation for house rent under G. O. G. G. No. 550 of 1868. paras. 18 & 12.