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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
25th July 1870.*

No. 108. Read the following letter from the Acting Inspector-General of Ordnance and Magazines, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Fort Saint George, 16th June 1870, No. 75-G. :—

Ordnance Department.]

I have the honour to forward, herewith, a memorial from Mr. J. Clark, Manager in the Office of the Superintendent of Stationery, praying that he may be exempted for a period of three years, should he, during that time, be physically fit for the performance of his work, from the operation of the order of Government more

commonly known as the fifty-five years' order,* which will come into effect after January 1872.

2. Mr. Clark was originally entertained in the late Military Board Office, and was subsequently promoted to Manager in the Office of the Stationery Depôt. The total period of his service in 1872 will be short by two months to entitle him to one-third pension. This would be a matter of special hardship, as Mr. Clark would, under the operation of the order in question, lose the above-mentioned boon granted to good and faithful servants of the State, of which he has proved himself one, simply because he will fall short by sixty days of fifteen years' service.

3. In both the Departments in which Mr. Clark served, he afforded the highest satisfaction, and in the Stationery depôt he has rendered himself specially useful in largely reducing expenditure by exercising a most rigid scrutiny over the demands of Departments for stationery, not only in respect to quantities, but the qualities of the article asked for.

4. In appreciation of Mr. Clark's services, this Department has, on several occasions, recommended† him for an increase of pay ; but Government have not been pleased to comply therewith. I, therefore, beg that, in consideration of the value of the services rendered by Mr. Clark, and in consideration of the fact that he has not received any augmentation of salary since his entertainment in the Stationery Depôt, where he has been employed for nearly eight years, Mr. Clark's prayer be complied with, or, if it does not rest with Government to do so, that it be recommended for the favourable consideration of the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India.

† No. 94, 30th June 1869.
„ 169, 7th Sept. 1868.
„ 98, 5th July 1866.
„ 221, 19th Nov. 1864.

To the Right Honourable the Governor and President in Council, Fort Saint George.

The memorial of JAMES CLARK, Manager in
the Government Stationery Office, Madras.

RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH,

That your memorialist entered the Uncovenanted Service of your Government in February 1857, in the full confidence and belief, according to rules‡ under which he joined, that he will be allowed to continue in public employment during good and faithful services until physically unfit for further employment.

2. That the order§ of Government, known as the fifty-five years' order, to be brought into operation after January 1872, will very seriously affect memorialist, and prejudice his claim to any pension when only two months will be wanting to complete fifteen years, the period of service required to entitle him to one-third rate of pe

‡ M.G., 23rd April 1852, No. 159, Financial Notification, page 425.

§ Notification, 6th April 1869, page 493.

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3. That the above period, two months, is less than the privilege leave, thirteen months, which memorialist might have claimed during his term of service (more than thirteen years) under the rules of your Government, but which indulgence he did not at once avail himself of, because of his laborious and very responsible duties, considering it a rule that the interests of Government should be first looked to than that of individual or private interests, there being no other individual in the very limited office establishment to undertake, in his absence, those responsible duties entrusted to him under the Superintendent of Stationery, which require constant supervision and check of public expenditure.

4. That your memorialist also refers to an acknowledgment of the Inspector-General of Ordnance and Magazines, and of your Government, that the system of check exercised and introduced by him, as compared with former years, was productive of large savings to Government.—See copies in Appendix marked A.

5. Your memorialist also refers to the testimonials of all the officers he was employed under in recognition of the valuable, efficient good services rendered by him.—See copies in Appendix marked B.

6. Your memorialist, relying upon the integrity of the rules under which he joined the Uncovenanted Service, was induced to secure some suitable provision for his family, the conditions of which he will be unable to fulfil for any extended period, if there is any very considerable reduction in his income for the next few years, so that the benefits subscribed for will possibly become forfeited, and his family deprived of the same, from circumstances beyond his or their control.

In conclusion your memorialist, under the circumstances above explained, and in consideration of the good services rendered by him, as borne testimony to by all his official superiors, prays that he may be exempt from the fifty-five years' order for three years if he should so long continue physically fit for employment in the duties entrusted to him.

For which your memorialist, as in duty bound, shall ever pray.

8th June 1870.

(Signed) JAMES CLARK.

No. 109. ORDER THEREON, 25th July 1870, No. 917.

This recommendation will be considered when the period of Mr. Clark's retirement has nearly arrived.

2. The period of two months, which Mr. Clark requires to complete to entitle him to pension, will be allowed.

(True Extract.)

Under Secy. to Govt.

To the Inspector-General of Ordnance and Magazines.
,, Accountant-General.

Exd. J. Wright.

Count. of 1870; ~~SW~~ ~~AD~~ ~~MS~~.

PUBLIC.

To

THE INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF
ORDNANCE AND MAGAZINES.
&c., &c., &c.

Dated July, 25th.

Encl.

Recd.

G. O., 25th July 1870, No. 917.

JULY.
Nos. 103-109.

Proposing to consider the prayer of Mr. Clark,
Manager of the Stationery Office, to be exempted
for three years from the Superannuation Order,
when the time for his retirement has nearly arrived,
but allowing him the period of two months which
is wanting to complete his title to pension.

A

From the Inspector General of Ordnance
and Magazines to the Superintendent
of Stationery dated 19th October 1864

The circumstance is however evidence
of the great check operated by the Stationery
Department the present time as contrasted with
the system of check adopted in former years.

Madras Government order
Public Department 24th March
1865 No 331.

The Governor in Council is pleased
to learn that the check afforded by the Stationery
Department has been productive of so considerable
saving to Government during the past year.

Wm J. Arbuthnot
Chief Secretary
Stationery Annual Report.
Proceedings Madras Government
Public Department 3 August 1865
No 1079.

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I cannot conclude this report
without

without again bringing to notice the zealous
and intelligent manner with which Mr Clark,
the Manager, performs all his various and
responsible duties, and his watchful scrutiny
in the matter of moneys and receipts of purchases
and other stores. I feel sure that to him Govern-
ment is indebted for many of the savings that
have been effected in the Department and
I heartily agree with my predecessors in strongly
recommending that an additional salary should
be granted to him.

B

Copies of Testimonials

Stationery Board Office Fort A Geo
30 April 1857

Certified that James Clarke has served in this
Office for two months and three days that he is on the
date in receipt of a salary of Rupees sixty five. His
present position is that of Auditor.

He thoroughly understands his work. He is
a very good Manager of Correspondence, writes a
good letter, and has thorough knowledge of General
Orders and intimate acquaintance with the routine
of Office make him a very useful man.
I recommend him for employment.

J. H. Hope
Secretary

Mr James Clark Head Auditor Salary
Rupees 110. A trustworthy reliable Public Servant
correct in a high degree in conduct all right able
discharge his duties and draws out good work.
J. H. C. Duffour Colonel
Inspector General of Ordnance
and Magazines

Mr James Clark has maintained the high
character given him by Colonel Duffour up to
the present day and has permitted to resign
his appointment in the Office to take up the duties
of Commander of the Stationary Depot
Inspector General's Office Fort A Geo 9 October 1862
J. H. C. Duffour Colonel
Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines

Mr J. Clark is a most trustworthy public
servant. Since his appointment as Manager of the
Stationery Office, he has maintained his high character
for correctness and performs his work most ably and
zealously.

Sgt C. W. Harrison Major
Commissary of Ordnance

12th November 1864.

I consider Mr Clark one of the most zealous
and painstaking public servants. He is particularly
careful and performs his work with great ability.

Sgt F. J. Dudd Lt Royal Artillery
Commissary of Ordnance in charge

11th February 1865

Very trustworthy correct and highly
useful and valuable person.

Sgt C. Dangerfield Col
October 1865.

Madras 9th April 1868

Mr James Clark Manager of the
Stationery Office, has served under me, in various
capacities, and I have much pleasure in adding
my testimony to that of the several Officers who
have recorded their opinions as to his intelligence
trustworthiness.

trustworthiness, capacity for work, and zeal for the
Public Service.

I have invariably found him all the
could be desired with reference to the duties entrusted
to him; and not only strongly recommend him
for advancement, but shall be always glad to hear
of his success in life.

Sgt A. Stewart Lt Col
late of Superint of Staff

I Certify that Mr J. Clark Manager
of the Stationery Office served under me for 2^d
3 years when I was Superintendent of Stationery
and Principal Commissary of Ordnance. Since
that period he has been continually under my
observation and I have much pleasure in stating
that I have the highest opinion of his character
and consider him a man of superior abilities,
and have no doubt that he would be found
particularly useful in any appointment requiring
sound judgment & firmness.

Madras

Feb 18th 1869

Sgt L. P. Barron Col
Major of Ordnance & Magazine

Deputy Inspector General's Office
8 June 1870

5 June 1870

It affords me the greatest pleasure to testify to the Merits of Mr James Clark Manager of the Stationery Office, a public servant whose long continued labors have been of the greatest value in the interests of Government. From my experience as head of the Department of which Mr Clark is Manager. I can speak with confidence as to the admirable working of it, and for its efficiency and economy, I speak for myself. I must give the Manager the sole Credit Ever ready with information sought from him and most willing and zealous in his exertions to perform duties not a little laborious Mr Clark is, in my opinion, one of the best public servants I have ever had under me and his removal from the Department, with the working of which he so conscientiously engaged, ~~would~~ ^{therefore} be injurious to the interest of Government, and in behalf of these interests if for no other reason, it would be prudent to secure his services so long as he is capable of performing his duties as efficiently as he now does.

Wm. A. Appleton Campbell

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As this
 Chief Secretary

By this Inspector General

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Mr. Clarke has written in the
following Office saying that
he is unable to supply you a
number of years from the
first year of the line beyond
which he says he cannot

Howard Morand

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Charles F. Johnson

*The Secretary
 to Government
 (Adm. Office)*

At the City of New York
this 10th day of June 1864

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Dated 25 July

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Reminding to consider the prayer
of Mr. Clarke, Manager of the Sta.
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tirement has nearly arrived,
but allowing him the period
of six months which is wanting
to complete his title to pension.