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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 1766-67 Press Mis.

Dated 25-11- 18 27

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Read the following papers:—

No. 110. From the Acting Inspector-General, Indian Medical Department, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Fort St. George, 30th October 1871, No. 353.

I have the honour to submit, for the orders of Government, or for final reference to the Government of India, an appeal from Surgeon-Major P. Gerald Fitzgerald against a decision of the Accountant-General, refusing to grant him Presidency house-rent, together with the warrant pay of his rank, while acting as Surgeon of the 4th District in Madras.

2. The Accountant-General bases his objections on the documents marginally noted, but Surgeon-Major Fitzgerald mentions an order in support of his claim of subsequent date to any of those quoted by the Accountant-General.

G. O. G. G., No. 370, of 4th April 1867. Proceedings of Government, Public Department, No 558, of 16th May 1867, and No. 936 of 31st July 1867.

3. The bill for the amount to which the claimant considers himself entitled is enclosed, and the correspondence on the subject is attached for ready reference.

From Surgeon-Major P. GERALD FITZGERALD, M.D., Acting Garrison Surgeon, Bangalore, to the Deputy Inspector-General, Indian Medical Department, Mysore Division and Ceded Districts, dated Bangalore, 16th October 1871, No. 88.

I have the honour to request that you will do me the favour to submit the accompanying statement, through the prescribed channel, for the consideration of His Excellency the Governor in Council.

While acting as Surgeon of the 4th District in Madras, I was precluded from drawing the warrant pay of my rank instead of the consolidated pay of my appointment, although the former was a little more favourable to me, by the objection of the Examiner of Claims to my drawing also Presidency house-rent in addition to the higher rate of pay. I submitted to that decision at the time because I had no means of controverting it.

2. In the course of the present year, however, my attention was attracted to the Resolution of the Government of India noted in the margin, which seemed to me to lay down a broad principle that included my case. I forwarded in consequence a bill (enclosure marked No. 1) to the Examiner of Claims for the difference of pay between the consolidated salary of my appointment and the pay of my rank as Surgeon-Major, supported by a reference to the Resolution of the Government of India already referred to, of which a copy was also attached to the bill.

No. 1432, dated Simla, 23rd June 1870, Financial Department.

3. That bill was returned to me with a memorandum* stating that "house-rent is not payable in addition to any but the consolidated salaries fixed by G.O. G. G., dated 4th April 1867, No. 365, and, moreover, that house-rent does not come under the term "extra allowances" referred to in Government of India Resolution, dated 23rd June 1870, No. 1432, Finance.

* No. 2 enclosure.

4. Having a strong conviction that the decision of the Officiating Accountant-General was contrary to the spirit as well as to the express terms of the Government of India Resolution, I addressed to that Officer a letter† requesting him to submit my claim for the consideration of Government, to which I received the reply marked No. 4.

† No. 3 enclosure.

5. In that reply, the Accountant-General informed me that a similar claim to mine for Presidency house-rent with pay of rank was disallowed some time before by the Madras Government in its Proceedings, No. 558, of the 16th May 1867, and No. 936 of July 31st, 1867, and that he declined to trouble Government again on the subject; but that if on perusal of those Proceedings,

copies of which were sent to me, I should still be of opinion that my claim was good, I might address the Government direct on the subject.

6. I have carefully perused those Proceedings, and with great respect for the Officiating Accountant-General, I believe that my claim is not in the least invalidated by them. I find that the case under the consideration of Government was not, as erroneously stated by the Officiating Accountant-General, that of an officer electing the warrant pay of his rank instead of the consolidated salary of his appointment, but something very nearly the reverse of this, and, therefore, the decision of the Government in that case cannot in reason be applied to another, the circumstances of which are dissimilar.

7. But even were it otherwise, and that the two cases were exactly similar in every respect, I submit that a decision of the Madras Government in 1867 cannot be quoted as a conclusive answer to a claim founded on a more recent ruling of the Supreme Government.

Forwarded, for submission, to the Inspector-General, Indian Medical Department.

BANGALORE,
26th October 1871.

(Signed) J. L. RANKING,
Dy. Inspr.-Genl., Indian Medical Dept., Mysore Division and Ceded Districts.

Referred to the Acting Accountant-General for his remarks.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
9th November 1871.

(Signed) R. S. ELLIS,
Chief Secretary.

No. 111. From the Acting Accountant-General, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Fort St. George, 13th November 1871, No. 374.

Audit Department.

The Acting Accountant-General has the honour to return the papers referred with the Chief Secretary's endorsement of the 9th instant, and to submit the following report.

2. Dr. Fitzgerald was drawing the pay of his rank, Rupees 1,056-9-7 a month, as Surgeon of the 4th District, Presidency, up to the publication of G. O. G. G. of 4th April 1867, No. 370. Since, however, the issue of this order, which authorizes the payment of house-rent to medical officers serving at the Presidency in addition to the *consolidated salaries* fixed therein, Dr. Fitzgerald has been drawing only the consolidated salary of Rupees 1,050, fixed for an officer of his rank in charge of the 4th District and Presidency house-rent of rank, viz., Rupees 125 per mensem, the latter allowance not being payable in addition to any other than consolidated salary, as has been decided in a similar case in Proceedings of Government dated 31st July 1867, No. 936, Public Department.

3. The Order of the Government of India, No. 1432, dated the 23rd June 1870, Financial, under which Dr. Fitzgerald now claims the difference between pay of rank and consolidated salary, authorizes the grant in addition to pay of rank of any extra allowance which is payable in addition to consolidated salary; but the term "extra allowances" does not, it is held, include Presidency house-

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
28th November 1871.

rent, that allowance forming a part of the salary payable to a medical officer serving at the Presidency, and not being one given for any extra charge.

No. 112. ORDER THEREON, 28th November 1871, No. 1768.

The Government concur with the Acting Accountant-General in opinion that Surgeon-Major Fitzgerald is not entitled, under the Resolution of the Government of India dated the 23rd June 1870, No. 1432, to the difference between the pay of rank and consolidated salary, during the period he held the appointment of Surgeon of the 4th District at the Presidency.

2. They resolve, however, to refer the question for the decision of the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Inspector-General, Indian Medical Department, with enclosures returned.
,, Accountant-General.

Exd. J. Wright.

1871.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

From

The Chief Secretary to Government,
Fort St. George,

To

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

Dated 28th November 1871.

Read.

No. 1769,

Enclosure.

Submitting, for orders, copy of the Proceedings of this Government, relative to a claim preferred by Surgeon-Major Fitzgerald, for the difference of pay of rank and consolidated pay during the period he held the appointment of Surgeon of the 4th District at the Presidency.

No 88

From

The Acting Garrison Surgeon
Bangalore

To

The Deputy Inspector General
I. M. D.
Mysore Divn. & C. D.

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will do me the favor to submit the accompanying Statement through the prescribed channel for the consideration of His Excellency the Governor in Council.

1. While acting as Surgeon of the 4th District in Madras I was precluded from drawing the warrant pay of my rank instead of the consolidated pay of my appointment, although the former was a little more favorable to me, by the objection of the Examiner of Claims to my drawing also Presidency House rent in addition to the higher rate of pay. I submitted to that decision at the time because I had no means of controverting it.

2. In the course of the present year, however, my attention was attracted to the Resolution of the Government of India noted in the margin, which seemed to me to lay down a broad principle that included my case. I forwarded in

No 1432
dated Simla
23 June 1870
Financial Department

consequence a Bill (enclosure marked No 1) to the Examiner of Claims for the difference of pay between the Consolidated Salary of my appointment and the pay of my rank as Surgeon Major, supported by a reference to the Resolution of the Government of India already referred to, of which a Copy was also attached to the Bill.

3. That Bill was returned to me with a memo stating that "House rent is not payable in addition to any but the Consolidated Salaries fixed by G. O. G. G. dated 4th April 1867 No 365." & moreover, that House rent does not come under the terms "Extra allowances" referred to in Govt. of India Resolution dated "3rd June 1870 No 1432 Finance". No 2, enclosure

4. Having a strong Conviction that the decision of the Officiating Accountant General was Contrary to the Spirit as well as to the express terms of the Govt. India Resolution I addressed to that Officer a letter requesting him to submit my claim for the Consideration of Government, to which I received the reply, marked No 4. No 3, enclosure

5. In that reply the Accountant general informed me that a similar Claim to mine for Presidency House rent with pay of rank was disallowed some time before by the Madras Government in its proceedings No 558 of the 16th May 1867, and No 930 of July 31st 1867 - and that he declined to trouble Government again on the Subject, but that if on perusal of those proceedings, Copies of which were sent to me, I should still be of opinion that my claim was good, I might address the Government direct on the Subject.

6. I have Carefully perused those proceedings and with great respect for the Officiating Accountant General, I believe that my claim is not in the least invalidated by them - I find that the Case under the Consideration of Government was not, as erroneously stated by the Officiating Accountant General, that of an Officer electing the warrant pay of his rank instead of the Consolidated Salary of his appointment but something very nearly the reverse of this, and therefore the decision of the Government in that Case cannot in reason be applied to another the circumstances of which are dissimilar.

7. But, even were it otherwise, and that the two Cases were exactly similar in every respect, I submit that a decision of the Madras Government in 1867 cannot be quoted as a Conclusive Answer to a claim founded on a more recent ruling of the Supreme Government

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obed Servt
[illegible]
Surgeon Major
Actg Garrison Surgeon

Bangalore
16th October
1871

No. 353

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL, INDIAN MEDICAL DEPARTMENT,

Fort Saint George, 30th October 1871.

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The Acting *Inspector General, Indian Medical Department,*
Fort Saint George,

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The Chief Secretary to Government
Public Department

IR,

I have the honour to submit for the order of Government, or for final reference to the Government of India, an appeal from Surgeon Major P. Gerald Fitz Gerald against a decision of the Accountant General, refusing to grant him presidency house-rent together with the Warrant pay of his rank, while acting as Surgeon of the 4th District in Madras.

2. The Accountant General bases his objections on the documents marginally noted, but Surgeon Major Fitz Gerald mentions an order in Support of his claim of subsequent date to any of those quoted by the Accountant General.

3. The bill for the Amount to which the claimant considers himself entitled is enclosed, and the correspondence on the subject is attached for ready reference.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant

Acting Inspector General
Indian Medical Department.

G.O.G.G. No. 370 of 4th April 1867. Proceedings of Govt. Public Deptt. No. 558 of 16th May 1867, & No. 936 of 31st July 1867.

Enclosure DE

No. 2955 1871 Aug.

No. 2345.

No. 88

1871

October

Read 27 Oct. 1871

Sir,

I am directed by the Secretary to the Government of India in the Public Department to forward, for the consideration of the Government of Fort Saint George, the accompanying application from Surgeon Major P. Gerald Fitz Gerald, Bengal Establishment, dated 25th October 1871, and to request that you will be pleased to move the Government of Fort Saint George to cause the claim to be investigated and disposed of.

2. I am to forward a copy of the letter from the Accountant General, Madras, dated 23rd October 1871, No. 2110, on which the claim is founded.

3. I am to request that you will be pleased to move the Government of Fort Saint George to cause the claim to be investigated and disposed of.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant

Secretary to the Government of India

To the Accountant General to the Inspector General Indian Medical Department

Dated 25th October 1871

Submitted for the consideration of the Government of Fort Saint George

Signed 27 October 1871
Actg Surgeon Major
Actg Inspector General
Bangalore

To the Secretary to the Government of India
Public Department
Bangalore

Sir,

I am directed by the Accountant General to transmit herewith a copy of the decision of the Accountant General on a claim for Arrears of pay, founded on a resolution of the Govt of India, and to request that the matter may be submitted for the consideration of the Government of Fort Saint George.

Bangalore 27th Oct. 1871

To the Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George
Public Department
Madras

Sir,

I have the honor to forward, for the consideration of the Government of Fort Saint George, the accompanying application from Surgeon Major P. Gerald Fitz Gerald, Bengal Establishment, dated 25th October 1871, and to request that you will be pleased to move the Government of Fort Saint George to cause the claim to be investigated and disposed of.

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Sir
Your most obedient Servant

Secretary to the Government of India

To the Accountant General to the Inspector General Indian Medical Department

Dated 25th October 1871

Submitted for the consideration of the Government of Fort Saint George

Signed 27 October 1871
Actg Surgeon Major
Actg Inspector General
Bangalore

Audit Department

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The Ag. Accountant General has the honor to return the papers referred with the Chief Secretary's Endorsement of the 9th Instant, and to submit the following Report.

Dr. Fitzgerald was drawing the Pay of his rank Rs. 1056-9-7 a month, as surgeon of the 4th District Presidency upto the publication of G.O.G.G. of 4th April 6th 1870. Since however the issue of this order which authorizes the payment of House Rent to Medical Officers serving at the Presidency in addition to the Consolidated Salaries fixed therein, Dr. Fitzgerald has been drawing only the Consolidated Salary of Rupees 1050, fixed for an Officer of

Reported to the sanctioning Authority for his information.

Fort St. George
9th Nov. 1871.

R. A. Ellis
Chief Secretary

To The Ag. Accountant General

Accountant General's Office
Received 10 NOV 11 1871
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Dated 10th October 1871.

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

No. 2369.

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will be pleased to move Government to grant me permission to draw House Rent at the rate allowed to Surgeons Major of Fortresses, from the date of my appointment to the Presidency.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
Alexander Fitzgerald
Inspector General
Indian Medical Department

Fort St. George
10th October 1871.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Fort St. George.

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will be pleased to move Government to grant me permission to draw House Rent at the rate allowed to Surgeons Major of Fortresses, from the date of my appointment to the Presidency.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
Alexander Fitzgerald
Inspector General
Indian Medical Department

Fort St. George
10th October 1871.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Fort St. George.

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will be pleased to move Government to grant me permission to draw House Rent at the rate allowed to Surgeons Major of Fortresses, from the date of my appointment to the Presidency.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
Alexander Fitzgerald
Inspector General
Indian Medical Department

of his rank in charge of the 4th District and Presidency House Rent of rank viz. Rupees 125 per mensem, the latter allowance not being payable in addition to any other than consolidated salary as has been decided in a similar case in Proceedings of Government dated 31st July '67 No. 936 Public Department.

The order of the Govern: ment of India No. 1432 dated the 23d June '70 Financial under which Lt. Fitz Gerald now claims the difference between Pay of rank and Consolidated Salary, authorizes the grant in addition to pay of rank, of any extra Allowance which is payable in addition to Consolidated Salary; but the term extra "Extra Allowances" does not, it is held include Presidency House Rent, that allowance forming a part of the salary payable to a Medical Officer serving at the Presidency, and not being one given for any extra charge.

Fort Saint George
Accountt. Genls Office
13th November 1871

Fredk Goderich
Ag Accountt. General.

No 374

To
The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort Saint George.

Public Department.

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter

From the Inspector General &c Indian Medical Departt } Dated 30 October 1871 No 353.

From the Ag: Accountt Genl, Dated 13 November 71 No 374.

Order thereon 28 Nov 71 No 1768.

The Government concur with the Ag: Accountant General, in opinion that Surgeon Major Fitzgerald is not entitled, under the Resolution of the Government of India, dated the 23 June 1870 No 1432, to the difference between the Pay of rank and consolidated Salary, during the period he held the Appointment of Surgeon of the 4 District at the Presidency.

2 They recommend however

to

Public Dept. 2119 Copies marked thereon

Letter from Inspr. Genl. Indian Medl. Dept. dated 30th October 1871 No 353.

Long Roll No 2 Nov 1871 No 3744

Letter from Ag: Accountt Genl. dated 13th November 1871 No 3744.

Order thereon 28th Nov 1871 No 1768.

Copies forwarded to the Inspr. Genl. Indian Medl. Dept. the Ag: Accountt Genl. and the Secretary Medl. Board.

to refer the question for
the decision of the
Governments of India.

The Secy. Govt. Genl. Dept. with enclosure as stated.
Accountant General

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Govt. of {187} Bengal.

Public

To

Dated Fort St. G. 28. } 187, No. 1768.

Recd.

Nos. 110-113.

Concurring in the opinion of the Govt. that Surgeon Major Fitzgerald is not entitled under the Rules of the Service to the difference of pay between the Rank of Surgeon and that of Surgeon Major of the 1st Class, but that he is entitled to the Rank of Surgeon Major of 1st Class, and consolidated Salary thereof, from the date of his appointment as Surgeon of the 4th Class, and that he is entitled to the difference between the pay of those Ranks during the period he held the appointment of Surgeon of the 4th District at the Presidency.

dispatch sent with 3 Cloths of Do 1768.

Public Department.

No. 1769.

To

The Secretary to Government
of India,
Financial Department.

Sir,

I am directed to submit, for the consideration and orders of the Government of India, Copy of the Proceedings of this Government, date and number, as per margin, relating to a claim preferred by Surgeon Major Fitzgerald, for the difference of Pay of Ranks and consolidated pay during the period he held the Appointment of Surgeon of the 4th District at the Presidency.

No. 1768 of 28 Nov. 71.

Fort St. George
28 Nov. 71.

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No.

To

The Secretary to the
Government of

Department

Dated 187

110-113.

1871.

Financial DEPARTMENT

From

The Chief Secretary to Government,
Fort Saint George,

To

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

Dated Nov. 28. 1871.

Read.

No. 1769.
Enclosure.

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Nos. 110-113

Submitting for orders Copy of the Proc. of this Govt. relative to a Claim preferred by Surgeon Major Fitzgerald, for the difference of pay of Capt. and Consolidated pay during the period he held the appointment of Surgeon of the 4th Dn. at the Ducky.