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[Despatch Abstract.]

Requesting the Govt of India to sanction  
the payment to Lt.-Col. D.D. Pryce of the Staff  
salary due to him as Commandant of the  
Madras Volunteer Force from 1<sup>st</sup> Decr 1897 to  
9<sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1898, which has been retrenched by  
the Military Accounts Dept on the ground  
that he did not actually assume  
charge before the 10<sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1898.

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## SUBJECT.

Forwarding recommending the grant of Staff Salary as Commandant & President of Home rule from 1st Dec. 97 to 9 Jan 98 with held by the Pay Examiner, to Col. D.D. Ryce under certain circumstances explained by that officer.

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at Colonel S. S. Payne, Commandant, Madras, India, 25th July 1899.  
 Statement showing the result of the audit & examination of the accounts of the 1st Bn. of the 1st Madras Infantry, 1899.

Received in the circumstances in which the circumstances which may have rendered the delay in its return  
 I should this statement not be returned within one month, and should the circumstances which may have rendered the delay in its return  
 avoidable, not have been explained by letter, the objection made will be considered required in, & the amount will be recovered from next paymaster by  
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| avoidable not have been examined by letter, the objection is made in by in the General State of Accounts then under the Examiner's credit. |                      |                                                                                                                                          |                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |          |                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |            |
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| No. of the<br>Statement                                                                                                                    | No. of the<br>Charge | Description of the Charge<br>as shown on the<br>Statement                                                                                | Amount<br>to which<br>objection is<br>taken | Cause of Objection                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Answer of the Paymaster or Officer<br>to the objection                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Amount   |                          | Reasons of disallowance                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |            |
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| 278                                                                                                                                        |                      | Draught Staff Salary,<br>Presiding House Rent,<br>etc from 1-12-97 to 31-1-98<br>Staff Salary Rs 400-0-0<br>Presy. House rent Rs 250/0/0 | 258 1<br>21 1<br>161 4 8                    | Having assumed charge of the<br>duties as Commandant on the<br>10-1-98, Staff salary in arrears<br>drawn prior to that date is<br>objectionable with reference to<br>Art 61 A.P.S. Volume 2 Part 1<br>Staff salary at Rs 200 per month<br>from 1-12-97 to 9-1-98<br>Ex. Comptroller on Rs 250/-<br>Presy House rent at Rs 125 p/m<br>from 1-12-97 to 9-1-98<br>Rs 7-4-8. also recovered on<br>account of Income Tax on<br>Rs 279-2-9 (Rs 258-1-0 + Rs 21-1-9)<br>consequent on the return<br>-ments above stated may be<br>charged by short recovery of<br>tax in the next pay bill. | I hereby should be confined<br>to the space below.<br>Brought forward<br>Not admitted - The Staff Pay.<br>of the appointment before as-<br>suming charge was specially<br>sanctioned by Government in<br>G.O. (Mil 7- Depot) No 1403<br>which says "with effect from<br>1st December 1897 - G.O. No<br>1403 is dated 31st, 17th Dec<br>1897 so that it could not possibly<br>reach me by the 1st Dec 1897.<br>T.S. S. Payne Lt Col<br>Commandant 1st Bn<br>Madras.<br>25th July 1899. |          | 258 1<br>21 1<br>161 4 8 | Confirmed, staff salary as<br>Commandant 1st Bn. would<br>be admitted to you from<br>1st Dec 1897, being the date<br>shown in the G.O. quoted<br>provided you assumed charge<br>of the duties on that date, the<br>date given in the G.O. is not<br>sufficient for the admission of<br>Staff salary for any period<br>prior to your actually as-<br>suming charge.<br>If you were prevented<br>from taking over your duties<br>owing to causes beyond your<br>control, special sanction<br>of the Government of India<br>should be applied for and<br>obtained for the admission<br>of staff salary, which is<br>accorded in cases where<br>officers are detained on<br>other duty in the interest of the<br>State, and provided the State<br>is put to no extra expense |            |
| Carried Forward                                                                                                                            |                      |                                                                                                                                          | 4407 5                                      | (Sd/ E. H. Payne Lt Col<br>for Pay Examiner<br><br>Confirmed, M. H. Burgess<br>Pay Examiner<br><br>other duty in the interest of the<br>State, and provided the State<br>is put to no extra expense                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |          |                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |            |

(Sd) E. H. Payne Lt Col  
for Pay Examiner

(Sd) J. Burgess Lt Col  
for Pay Examiner

\* With Regimental accounts enter the No of item under which charged with. See also the No of the Voucher.

Military Account Form 135  
Supplied gratis

No.

Objection Statement on the Audit  
& Examination of the Account  
of the Pay Examiner

Madras

For the Month of July 1898

Date of despatch of objection  
Statement

Date of receipt of objection state-  
ment with replies

Date of despatch of objection  
Statement with final decision

Amount disallowed

Rs. 21.0.

Disallowance credited in  
accounts for

VOLUNTEER CORPS,

MADRAS VOLUNTEER GUARDS.

FORT ST. GEORGE,

Madras,

25 March 1898.

No. 118

From

LIEUT.-COLONEL D. D. PRYCE,

COMMANDANT, M. VOL. GUARDS,

To

THE Controller of Military Accounts  
Madras Command

SIR,

With reference to Army Regulations India  
Volume II Part II Article 2189 A, I have the honor to  
submit for your consideration this my application against  
the decision of the Pay Examiner as given in the attached  
objection statement with holding from me Staff salary as  
Commandant, and Presidency House Rent from the  
December 1897 to the 9<sup>th</sup> January 1898 on the grounds  
that I did not actually assume charge of my present  
appointment until the 10<sup>th</sup> January 1898. I would invite  
reference to G. O. No 1403, d/17 December 1897 (Gazette  
of India of 18<sup>th</sup> December 1897 Part I Page 1147) in which  
my appointment is declared to have effect from the 1<sup>st</sup>  
December 1897, this order could not have possibly reached me  
till some days after 18<sup>th</sup> December the date of the Gazette  
in fact, owing to the Christmas Holidays, I did not  
receive it until the 9<sup>th</sup> January 98. This order was received  
while the Madras Volunteer Guards were in Camp at  
Mallavaram during which time it was scarcely possible for

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the then Commandant to hand over charge of the  
corps. I took over the appointment at the earliest possible  
date viz 10 January 1898

I may mention that as I understood,  
I was to be appointed Commandant; from the 1<sup>st</sup> De-  
cember 1897 I arrived in Madras on that date, and  
had to wait until the Gazette notification was re-  
ceived thereby being put to considerable expense greatly  
due to the very high house rents of Madras. I would  
therefore submit that as the order of the Government  
of India appointed me Commandant from the  
1<sup>st</sup> December 1897, and as I was prevented by circum-  
stances peculiar and unavoidable from assuming  
charge on that date I should not suffer the heavy  
pecuniary loss which the Pay Examiner's objection  
would entail on me and would accordingly request  
the matter maybe reconsidered and the Pay Exa-  
miner's objection withdrawn. This would not in-  
volve any extra expense to the state as Major W. D.  
Le Leger who held the appointment of Command-  
ant, before I was appointed received no staff salary.

(Sd) D. D. Bryce Lt Colonel  
Commandant Madras Vol Guards

(Enc Copy)  
Myself Lt Colonel  
Commandant Madras Volunteer Guards

From

The Controller of Military Accounts  
Madras Command,

To

The Commandant  
Madras Volunteer Guards

Madras, the 15<sup>th</sup> of April 1898.

Sir

With reference to your letter No  
118 dated 25<sup>th</sup> March 1898. I have the honor to  
state that as the objection raised by the Pay Exa-  
miner is in accordance with regulations, I regret  
(a. Army Regulations India Vol I I am unable to autho-  
rize its removal without  
Part I Articles 61 and 62 the special sanction of the Government of India  
which it is open to you to apply for to Command  
Head Quarters through the prescribed channel.

I have the honor to be  
Sir

Your most obedient servant

(Sd) G. H. Surger. Colonel  
Controller of Military Accounts.

(Enc Copy)  
Myself Lt Colonel  
Commandant Madras Volunteer Guards

Mrs. H. General Office Commanding M. G. & Controller of Military Accounts.

D. VOLUNTEER CORPS,

Pay

MADRAS VOLUNTEER GUARDS.

FORT ST. GEORGE,

Madras,

22 April 1898

No. 184

From

LIEUT.-COLONEL D. D. PRYCE,

COMMANDANT, M. VOL. GUARDS,

To

THE Deputy Lieutenant General  
Madras Command

Sir,

I have the honor to forward the attached correspondence relative to a retrenchment effected from me by the Military Accounts Department, of Staff Salary, as Commandant, Madras Volunteer Guards, from the 1<sup>st</sup> December 1897 to 9<sup>th</sup> January 1898, and to request you will kindly submit the case for the consideration of His Excellency the Lieutenant General Commanding the Forces, in view should His Excellency consider it desirable, to the sanction of the Government of India being obtained to the removal of the retrenchment. The grounds on which I claim Staff Pay as Commandant Madras Volunteer Guards from 1<sup>st</sup> December 1897 to 9<sup>th</sup> January 1898.

N<sup>o</sup> 226. Dated 15 April 1898

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1890, are fully explained in my letter to the Controller of Military Accounts, a copy of which is attached, and I should submit that I was appointed by the Government of India with effect from the 1<sup>st</sup> December 1891, and was furnished by good and sufficient reasons for formally taking over the Command of the Corps, until sometime afterwards. I should receive Staff Pay as Commandant, Madras Volunteer Guards, from the date fixed by Government, especially as there would be no extra expense to the State.

No 118 dated 25 Feb 93

I have the honor to be  
Sir,  
Your most obedient servant,  
*W. H. D. L. Colonel*  
Commandant, Madras Volunteer Guards.

No 2860 II Madras 5<sup>th</sup> May 1892  
Thro' C. S. & M. S.  
By: Adjutant-General,  
Madras Command,  
Col. Commandant.

Forwarded for favorable consideration

*Memorandum*  
Brig. Genl.  
Commanding Madras District

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*Duplicate of letter  
of No. C. 1735*

No. 925  
Office of the Controller of Military  
Accounts,  
Madras Command,  
Madras, the 12<sup>th</sup> of May 1898

Forwarded.

2. The official sanction of the Government of India is considered necessary for the removal of the restriction set against Lt. Colonel Pryce, Commandant, Madras Volunteer Quarters, - Vide my letter No. 226 dated 15<sup>th</sup> April 1898 (End of the enclosure)

(D) J. Burgess,  
Lt. Colonel  
for Controller of Military  
Accounts.

The Deputy Joint-Quarters

No. 46-8117      Jotaramm,  
20<sup>th</sup> May 1898

to the Chief Secretary to the Govt.  
Madras  
Public Department.

Forwarded and recommended in  
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the circumstances of the case  
Colonel D. D. Royce having been  
appointed Brigadier General,  
Volunteer Guards with effect  
from the 1st December  
1897, and as extra remuneration  
to Government being involved.

(18) G. L. S. S. S.  
Brigadier General,  
Dy. Adjutant General

sup. C. 6. 6. 98  
Rd 10. 6. 98

Public Dept.

Re: Mr. Royce

Order No. 766 of 16 June 1898

Grant of Staff Salary as Com-  
mandant & Presidency House rent  
from 1st Dec. to 9th Jan '98, withheld  
by the Pay Examiner to Col. D. D. Royce.

To the D.A.G. (9)

Letter No. 767, S. 16/10/98

To the Secy to the Govt of India,  
Mily Dept

Sir,

I am directed to submit  
the following case for the favorable  
consideration and orders of the  
Govt. of India -

2. Lieut. Col. D. D. Royce was  
appointed Commandant of the  
Madras Volunteer Guards with  
effect from 1st Dec. 1897 (G.O.  
No. 1403 of 1897 published in the  
Gazette of India of 18 Dec. 1897,

and he arrived in Madras  
on that date to take up the  
appointment.

Part II, p. 147. He did not,  
however, assume charge of his  
appointment until the 10th Jan  
1898 as the copy of the Gazette  
announcing his appointment

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3. The Mily Accounts Dept ~~has~~<sup>Col. Preece's</sup> has retrenched ~~his~~ staff salary as Commandant from 1<sup>st</sup> Dec 1897 to 9<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1898 as will be seen from the accompanying correspondence on the ground that he ~~is~~ not actually assuming charge before 10<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1898. Under the circumstances, explained by Lieut<sup>:-</sup> Col. Poyce and having regard to the fact that no extra expense to the State will be involved thereby I am to request the special sanction of the Govt. of India to the retrenchment being <sup>removed</sup> disallowed and staff salary & allowances passed to him from 1<sup>st</sup> Dec 1897 to 9<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1898.

Dec. 1897 to 9 Jan<sup>y</sup> 1898.

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Ad 4.6.08

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