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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Dated 28-10 1859

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No. 74. Read the following letter from J. J. FRANKLIN, Esq., Superintendent of Marine; to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department; dated Bangalore, dated 23d September 1859, No. 3869:

1. I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of the proceedings of Government of the 19th instant, No. 1267, referring certain papers, herewith returned, for my report, and to offer the following remarks thereon.

2. The late Captain Robertson, it appears, was permitted, under the orders of Government of the 18th May 1858, No. 613, to proceed to Cochin for the purpose of superintending the construction of two boats to be employed in guarding the Tinnevelly pearl banks; and towards his expenses Government subsequently sanctioned 200 Rupees. He was also directed in Extract Minutes of Consultation, 18th February 1859, No. 227, to proceed to Ceylon to be present at a pearl fishery at Salvatore. During his actual absences from Tuticorin as I presume, although there are no certificates to shew that such is the case a charge is made of 5 Rupees a day as batta, and a travelling allowance of 8 annas a mile to and from Cochin and Alipee.

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3. During actual absence from his station, employed bonâ fide on the service set forth, I think a fair allowance for the Master Attendant for the additional expenses he must necessarily have incurred, would be 4 Rupees a day, the table money he would be charged on board a transport and as reimbursement for the cost of journeying to and from Cochin and Alipee, I think 4 annas a mile (the rate allowed to the Masters Attendant at Calicut and Vizagapatam) sufficient, unless the actual expenses can be shewn to have been greater, in which case the Government would doubtless not hesitate to defray any additional outlay. In this, however, I do not include any gratuity which the Government may see fit to grant.

4. Before concluding, I beg to point out some discrepancies in the dates quoted in the papers under review. In the bill the fifteen days at Salvatore are said to have been in March 1858, whereas the Minute of Council authorizing that visit is quoted by the Civil Auditor and the Secretary to the Revenue Board as of the 18th February 1859. I should have supposed this to have been a mistake for February 1858, if the latter officer had not referred to the late Captain Robertson's visit to Cochin, which occupied him between June and November 1858, as being previous to the Ceylon trip. As these proceedings all took place in communication with, and under the orders of the Revenue Department, that Board will probably be able to detect the error which evidently exists somewhere.

No. 75. ORDER THEREON, 28th October 1859, No. 1461.

With their Proceedings of the 14th September No. 3645, the Board of Revenue submitted for the orders of Government a bill amounting to Rupees 1,145-12 which had been presented to the Acting Collector of Tinnevelly by the late Captain Robertson, Master Attendant at Tuticorin, for his travelling allowance and charges from Tuticorin to Alleppee on duty, under the order of the 18th May 1858, No. 613, and his charges for 15 days on duty at Salvattore in March 1858, under the order of the 23d February 1858, the latter having been omitted from a former bill. As the rates claimed appeared high, the papers were referred to the Superintendent of Marine for report, and the present letter is his reply.

2. The item of "travelling allowance" is charged at the rate of eight annas a mile and that of "batta" at Rupees five per diem. Captain Robertson appears to have adopted the former rate as it was granted to him when proceeding on duty to Cúlasagarapatam. But that was a special grant, and is not applicable to the present case. The Government agree with Captain Franklin that four annas a mile, the rate drawn by the Master Attendants at Calicut and Vizagapatam, is sufficient and resolve to sanction the adjustment of the charge of travelling allowance accordingly.

Order 25th September 1857, No. 1367, Pub. Dept.

3. The Government are not aware on what grounds the deceased claimed Rupees 5 per day for his expenses of living; nor does there appear to be any rule for the case. The Superintendent of Marine points out that had Captain Robertson been provided with a passage on board a transport he would have been charged table money at the rate of Rupees four a day; and suggests that this would be a fair allowance. The Government concur with him, and authorize payment at this rate. They further sanction the charge of Rupees 19-12 on account of batta to two boatmen.

4. The bill, as now passed, will stand as follows :—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Travelling allowance from Tuticorin to Alleppee and returning, 602 miles, at 4 annas per mile.....	150	8	0
Batta for 150 days at 4 Rupees per day.....	600	0	0
Do. for 2 boatmen.....	19	12	0
Do. for 15 days at Salvattore in March 1858 at 4 Rupees per day.....	60	0	0
	830	4	0
Deduct amount already paid.....	200	0	0
Balance due.....	630	4	0

5. With reference to the last para. of Mr. Franklin's letter the Government observe that as already stated in para. 1 of these proceedings, the late Captain Robertson proceeded to Salvatore pursuant to the order in the Public Department 23d February 1858. The last entry in the bill is therefore correct.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
Secretary to Government.

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From

The Superintendent of Fisheries

To

The Secretary to Government

Revenue Department

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3rd. During actual absence from his station employed beyond the services set forth, I think a fair allowance for the Hospital Attendant for the additional expense he must necessarily have incurred, would be 5 Rupees a day, the Cutter money & travelling charges on board a transport and as reimbursement for the cost of passages to and from Cochin and Alleppee. Kind of annas a mile (the rate allowed to the Hospital Attendant at Calicut and Tellicherry) sufficient, unless the actual expenses can be shown to have been greater, in which case the Government would doubtless not hesitate to defray any additional outlay. In this, however, I do not include any gratuity which the Government may be disposed to grant.

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Sir

Your most obedient Servant

H Burkhardt

Supt of Marine

Cuppalore
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The Secretary to Government
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Rev. 1859 Department.
Received Sept. 27th
No. 1781.

From
The Superintendent
of Marine

To
The Secretary to Govt.
Revenue Depart.
Fort St. George

Dated 23rd September 1859
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No. 1161. 78. Oct. No. 3869

Acknowledges receipt of the Pro: of Govt. of the 19th inst. No. 1267 referring certain papers herewith returned for report relative to certain allowance due to the late Capt. Robertson for travelling expense &c. & submits observations thereon.

No. 74.

Dated 17th October 1859

and charges from 10th Feb.
with Allowance as
duly, under the order
of the 18th May 1858 & 643,
and the Charges for
15 days on duty at
Salvatore in March
1858, under the order
of the 23rd Feby 1858. the
latter having been
omitted from a former
bill. As the rates claimed appears
right by the papers
there referred to, the
Supt. of Marine pre-
sent, and the letter
above recorded, as
the Rule
2nd the item of
"travelling allowance"
to be charged at the rate
of eight Annas a mile
and that of "batta"
at Rs five per diem.

Order 25 Sep. 1857 & 1307 Bnt. Dt

Captain Robertson appears
to have adopted the
former date as it
was granted to him
when proceeding on
duty to Calicut
from Bombay the Govt.
steamer that takes
a steerage Passage
being Rs fifteen to
Calicut the cabin rates
and as it is not
applicable to the
present case
Jointly for three
have been allowed
as now claimed. The
Govt agree with the Supt
Capt. Franklin
of Marine that Jons
annas a mile, the rate
drawn by the Master

Attendants to

Attendance to Patient
and Voyage Pattern, is
on Receipt and Resolve
of Expenses Travelling
accordingly. The Adjustment of the charge
of Travelling Allowance accordingly

3 The Government
are not aware
what grounds
the deceased Claimed
the Increased
Rate charged at the
Rate of Rs 5 per day
for his expenses during
Voyage does there ap-
pear to be any Rule
for the
Guiding Cases of
Re Hindu Brides Notice
The Supt. of Mysore
Nanda and Husband
Capt. Robertson
been provided with
a

a passage on board
a Transport he would
have been charged
Table Money at the
rate of Rs four a day,
and suggests that
he should be allow-
ed allowance The Govt.
concur with him, and
an Extra payment
of Batta at this Rate.
They further direct
the charge of Rs 19-12
on account of Batta
to be struck
4 The Bishop
now proceeds to Ceylon
as follows
Travelling allow-
ance to Jaffna
Allepee and
returning 602
miles @ Re 0
per mile — 150-8.

Batta for 150 days
at 2 Rs per day ... 600 —
do for 2 boatmen ... 19=12
do for 15 days at
Salvattore in Mar
1858 at 4 Rs per day = 60 —
Rs 830 4
Deduct Amount
already Rs 200
Balance due Rs 630 —

5th With reference to
the last para of the
Bankers letter the
Govt observe that as
already stated in
para 1 of these Proc.
the late Capt Robertson
proceeded to Salvatore
on Furlough to the
order in the Bank dt
23rd Feby 1858 the last
entry on the bill to
thereafter proceeded

b Copies 13th of Revenue Dept 24
2 " Supdt of Marine 5
3 " Civil Auditor 1
1 " Accountant Genl 1

R. Pro. 23d Septr 1859 No 25. 26.

Copy in a Letter to England
D/ 1st June 1860 N. 54.

Revenue 1859 Departt.
Pro: of Govt 31st October
No 1461.

Pro: of the Madras Govt
D/ 28th October 1859.

Respecting the late Captn
Robertson's travelling allow-
ance and charges from Tuti-
corin to Alleppee on duty.

No 74 to 75.

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