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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 530	Press Mis.
Dated 19. 4. 1857.	

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Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 19*th April* 1859.

No. 13. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 11th April 1859, No. 1278.

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2. The Board have received this decision of Government with great regret, as the business of their office had been much facilitated, by their having a Press in their own building and under their immediate control, and they conceive that much public advantage in addition to their own convenience, has resulted from the arrangement. As however Government have resolved on adopting in future a different course, the Board bow to their decision.

3. But the Board consider it due to themselves to make a respectful remonstrance against the manner in which the new arrangement has been carried out. The Press in their office was not established until after a full and lengthened discussion, so that the Board made their arrangements for it under confident impression that the decision of Government was not likely to be altered, and they felt an assurance that in the event of any change being meditated they would be consulted, or at least forewarned in order that they might not be taken unprepared. Scarcely however had the order of Government reached their office, when the persons deputed by Mr. Smith arrived to carry away the Press and printing materials even while their papers were actually in the course of being set up in type and considerable confusion and inconvenience thus ensued.

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(A true Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM, *Secretary.*

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No. 11. ORDER THEREON, No. 530 ; dated 14th April 1859.

The Governor in Council much regrets that any cause of complaint was given to the Board in the matter referred to in this letter. The transfer of the Press heretofore in their office to the general Government printing office was resolved on as a measure of economical and administrative improvement ; but the Government are concerned to find that in the absence of definite instructions in the order, it was carried into effect too promptly and with too much abruptness. The Government can now do no more than assure the Board that this was no part of their intention, and that they greatly regret the mistake which caused it.

Para. 5. 2. The request of the Board to be allowed to retain the two lowest paid of their five Examiners is quite reasonable, and the Governor in Council readily accedes to it.

3. The Government will also be prepared to give favourable consideration to such individual recommendations as the Board may see fit to make, in favour of those members of their late Press Establishment who may not immediately obtain other engagements.

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

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REGISTER of two applications for Superannuation Pension from the Establishment of the Board of Revenue prepared under the Rules passed by Government under date the 15th May 1851.

Name of the person by whom the pension is applied for with the name of his father.	Number on the Establishment.	Identification of applicant's person.	Height. Feet.	Height. Inches.	Age of applicant at the time of application. Years.	Age of applicant at the time of application. Months.	Age of applicant at the time of application. Days.	Religion, Caste, or Tribe.	Where residing. Province.	Where residing. Purganah.	Where residing. Village.	Present employment.	Total period of Service.	Applicant's service continuous or not.	How long unemployed and under what circumstance.	Date of application to Govt.	Average salary or authorized official allowance per mensem for the five years preceding the date of application.	Salary or authorized official allowance per mensem at the time of application.	Abstract of the ground of application	Remarks by the Head of office.	Proposed amount of pension per mensem.	Treasury at which the party if pensioned wishes to draw his pension.	Orders of Government.
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Mr. John Arthur Ritchie, son of Mr. Wm. Ritchie.	11	A mole under the right side.	5	10¾	45	...	7	East Indian.	Madras.			Examiner.	Y. M. D. 23 9 8 In Mily. Audr. Genl.'s office from 1st July 1830 to 14th Feb. 1836, as verified by the Mly. Audr. Genl. 5 Years. 7 Months. 15 Days. In the Board's office from 16th Feb. 1836 to 9th April 1859 ..... 23 1 23	Continuous as verified by the Records of the Military Auditor General's and this office.			61	13 11	80 0 0		E. M. C. 21st Oct. 1856, R.D. No. 1443 served three years beyond the period (20 years) entitling him to one-third pension, but taking into consideration his good character and services, his advanced age and the unexpected manner in which he has been deprived of employment, the Board recommend that he may be allowed a pension of 40 Rs. a month. Mr. Ritchie has served nearly 39 years. He is also a man of good character and has performed his duties efficiently. With reference to the orders of Govt., dated 3rd Jan. 1859, Public Dept. No. 1, it is recommended that he may receive one half of his average allowance for the past five years, viz. Rs. 30-14-11 per mensem. It is requested that the pensions may be made payable from the 10th April 1859, the date on which the applicants ceased to draw pay.	30 14 11		

The ages of the applicants are, as far as I am able to judge, correctly stated.

(Signed) J. SIM,
Secretary.

(Signed) J. MASKELL,
First Uncovenanted Assistant.

No. 1278.

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(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary.

To

J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.

No. 2173.

From

J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

To

T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Pension Department.

SIR,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to request that you will submit for the orders of the Honorable the Governor in Council the accompanying application for superannuation pensions for Messrs. D. Geils and J. A. Ritchie recently employed on their establishment.

REVENUE BOARD OFFICE,
Fort St. George,
9th June 1859.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary.

From
The Secy to the
Board of Revs

To, The Chief Secretary
to Government
Pension Departt

Dated 9th June 1864.
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I.E.R.F.B.

Respectfully

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Revenue 1859. Dept.
Dº to Govs: 19th April

No 530.

Extract Minutes of Govs:
Dd 14th April 59.

Acceding to the Boards request to retain the two lowest paid Examiners of their late Prov. Office and stating that Govt. will give their favorable consideration to such individual recommendations as the Bd may see fit to make in favor of those who may not obtain other engagements.

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