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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 22nd December 1860.

No. 397. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Military Department, dated 17th December 1860, No. 4,540 :—

Communicate a letter from the Government of India, exempting from Stamp duty the several affidavits and declarations made by Widows of certain classes to enable them to draw their Pensions from Clive's Fund.

(Vide Military Proceedings, 17th December 1860, Nos. 289, 290.

No. 398. ORDER THEREON, 22nd December 1860, No. 2,485.

Ordered to be communicated to the Board of Revenue.

(Signed) J. D. SIM

Acting Secretary to Government.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

No. 3700.

To

The Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department.

Sir,

With reference to Section XVIII of Act XXXVI of 1860, empowering the Governor General in Council to exempt Deeds, Instruments and Writings from Stamp duty, I am directed to submit the following application for the consideration of the Government of India.

2. Agreeably to the provisions of Section XXXIV of the Stamp Act (XXXVI of 1860) Schedule A, No. 2, no Justice of the Peace or any Officer, before whom an Affidavit not made for the immediate purpose of being filed, read, or used in any Court of Law may be taken, can receive or attest such Affidavit, unless it be written on a Stamp of one Rupee per Sheet in value.

3. Adverting to the small amount of Pension from Lord Clive's Fund received by the widows of Subalterns, Warrant and Non-Commissioned Officers and Soldiers, I am instructed to request, that the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council may be moved to pass an order, exempting from Stamp duty, all Affidavits and Declarations made by widows of the classes specified in the margin,* to enable them to draw their Pension from Clive's Fund.

* Lieutenants, Assistant Surgeons, Veterinary Surgeon under 20 years' service, Cornets, Ensigns; Warrant Officers from the rank of Deputy Commissary and Senior Apothecary, including corresponding and inferior grades; Non-Commissioned Officers and Soldiers.

4. Pending His Lordship's decision, Stamped Affidavits will be supplied to the widows referred to at this Presidency, by Government.

5. The Governor in Council instructs me, at the same time, to suggest for the consideration of the Governor General of India, whether there is any objection to modifying the rules for the payment of Clive's Fund Pension to widows, so as to allow of a simple written declaration of widowhood, made before the paying Officer half yearly, being substituted for the Affidavit now required to be taken before a Magistrate.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
16*th October* 1860.

(Signed) H. Marshall Col.
Secretary to Government.

Exd. J. Davis.

True Copy
H. Marshall Col.
Secretary to Govt.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers :—

From the Officiating Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, Fort William, 29th November 1860, *No.* 1279; *to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, Fort Saint George.*

With reference to your letter No. 3700, dated 16th ultimo, I am directed to transmit to you, for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council, the accompanying copy of a Resolution of Government in the Financial Department, under date the 16th instant, exempting from Stamp duty the several Affidavits and Declarations made by Widows of the classes referred to in your communication.

I am further directed to state, that the Affidavit is laid down by the Home Authorities and cannot be altered.

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Resolution of Government in the Financial Department, under date the 16*th of November* 1860.

The Governor General in Council is pleased to exempt from Stamp duty, all Affidavits and Declarations made by the Widows of the classes mentioned in the letter from the Government of Madras, No. 3700, dated 16th October 1860, to enable them to draw their pensions from Clive's Fund.

His Excellency in Council is also pleased to direct, that if there is no special objection in the Military Department, the rule requiring an Affidavit be altered, as suggested by the Madras Government.

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ORDER, No. 4540, 17*th December* 1860.

Ordered to be communicated to the Judicial Department, together with a copy of the communication to the Government of India, dated 16th October 1860, No. 3700—and to be notified in G. O.

(True Extract.)

A Munro Lt Col
Secretary to Government.

To the Judicial Department, with letter to Govt. of India, No. 3700 of 1860.
" Revenue Department, with letter to Govt. of India, No. 3700 of 1860. + 10 Spare Copies.
" Adjutant General.
" Military Auditor General.
" Superintendent of Pensions.
" Accountant General.
" Civil Auditor.
" Commissioner of Police.

Exd. A. A. DeMonte.

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With two orders

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1st & 2d Geo 4
22d Dec. 1860.

To Esquire Collector & Dist. of Nellore
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