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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
29th June 1861.*

No. 332. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 22nd May 1861, No. 2,611 :—

Read the following letter from J. I. MINCHIN, Esq., Acting Collector of Kurnool, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Chepauk, dated Cumbum, 2nd May 1861, No. 35.

Sir,

To the Civil Auditor, dated 15th April 1861, No. 121.
From the Civil Auditor, dated 24th April 1861.

1. I have the honor to forward for the consideration of the Board, the accompanying correspondence with the Acting Civil Auditor, who has refused to pass the Deputation allowance to Mr. Arbuthnott, Acting Head Assistant Collector, until one month after date of the Government order appointing him to act.

2. The Board are aware of the circumstances under which on the 22nd December last, I placed Mr. Arbuthnott in charge of the Head Assistant's Office, an arrangement of which they were pleased to approve in their Proceedings, No. 189 of the 11th January 1861.

3. Mr. Arbuthnott had at that date in fact passed the necessary examination according to the lower standard; but owing to the ordinary and unavoidable delay in obtaining the report of the Central Committee, the Government were only in a position to gazette Mr. Arbuthnott to the acting appointment on the 12th February, and on this account, and under the Government Order quoted, Mr. Waterfield has retrenched Mr. Arbuthnott of the Deputation allowance due to him from the 22nd January to the 12th March. I submit that the order quoted by Mr. Waterfield does not apply to the case, as Mr. Arbuthnott has been regularly appointed to officiate by Government, and in such a case it appears to me that Section 87 of the Civil Auditor's Manual is expressly applicable, and the Deputation allowance becomes due from one month after the date on which an Officer, afterwards appointed by Government, originally assumed charge of his office in accordance with the instructions of competent authority.

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1. Mr. Arbuthnott passed as qualified to act Head Assistant at the examination held on 7th February last, but prior to the decision of the Central Committee on the results of that examination, and under the pressure of circumstances, the Acting Collector on 22nd December instructed Mr. Arbuthnott to assume charge of the Head Assistant's office and duties, reporting what he had done to Government and the Board. His proceedings were approved, but it was not till 12th February that Government, after considering the report of the Central Committee on the results of the examination, were in a position to gazette Mr. Arbuthnott to act as Head Assistant, and the Civil Auditor declines to admit his claim to Deputation allowance except from the expiration of one month from the date of the appointment.

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2. The Board, under the circumstances above stated, resolve to recommend to Government that Mr. Arbuthnott be authorized to draw the Deputation allowance of the office which he was competent to hold, and which he assumed by orders of his immediate superior from 22nd January 1861, being one month after his assumption of the duties.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary.*

No. 333.

ORDER THEREON, 29th June 1861, No. 1,294.

The Board's proposal is sanctioned.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

No. 2,611.

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ENCLOSURE No. 1.

ABSTRACT.—Mr. Minchin's letter to Civil Auditor, dated 15th April 1861.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

ABSTRACT.—From Civil Auditor to Mr. J. I. Minchin, Acting Collector of Kurnool, dated 24th April 1861.

Vide Fort Saint George Gazette, 12th February 1861,
No. 188.

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J. D. Sim

Secretary.

To J. D. Sim, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.

with original Enclosures.

Copy to J. I. Minchin, Esq., Acting Collector of Kurnool.

Exd. J. Wright.

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Dated 22nd May 1861.

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Submitting a letter from the Acting Collector of Kurnool, and recommending that Mr. Arbuthnott be authorized to draw the Deputation allowance of the Head Assistant's office from the 22nd January 1861.

No 1294. 29 June 1861

J. D. Sim