

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
7th October 1861.*

No. 89. Read the following letter from Captain F. J. B. PRIESTLEY, Superintendent of Revenue Survey, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Chepauk, 12th September 1861, No. 829 :—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to lay before you the following statement.
2. Mr. Albert Jones, a Deputy Surveyor in No. 4 party, at present employed on the Shevaroy Hills, has applied to be allowed to resign his situation. He states that he has been promised an Inspectorship of Police by Mr. Robinson.
3. Mr. Jones was originally in the Educational Department. He quitted it in the hope of being employed in the Police, not obtaining a situation as soon as he expected, he joined the Revenue Survey party under Captain Searle. He was granted 50 Rupees pay and was employed in the Office.
4. He obtained an appointment as Inspector, and accordingly left Captain Searle. After serving a few weeks in the force he was summarily removed, having it appears been appointed by mistake.
5. He then sought service in the Survey again. Captain Searle engaged him at the rate of 30 Rupees a month. He is now in the receipt of 50 Rupees per mensem.
6. He states that previous to quitting Wainád he intimated to Captain Searle his intention not to serve there again, but of this no report was made to me.
7. Since he has been employed on the Shevaroy Hills he has been attentive to his work.
8. An Inspector of Police needs no long previous training. It is different with the Survey. Men utterly ignorant of Surveying are not only of no use, but an absolute hindrance to the Survey for many months after they are entertained. Should Mr. Jones quit the Survey and join the Police, the salary he has drawn up to this time will be almost entirely thrown away. I trust, therefore, that Government may see fit, under the circumstances, to support me in my refusal to accept Mr. Jones' resignation, more especially as each year several Surveyors resign on the commencement of the working season in Wainád. I may add that a brother of Mr. Jones' left the Survey Department last year in a similar manner (notwithstanding my declining to accept his resignation) having obtained a situation in the office of the Collector of Salem.

No. 90. ORDER THEREON, 7th October 1861, No. 1,937.

1. The Superintendent Revenue Survey should draw the attention of the Inspector General of Mufussal Police to the Notification of the Government of India in the Financial Department, dated 31st December 1855, No. 58, and published at page 99 of the "Fort Saint George Gazette," 20th January 1857, prohibiting Heads of Departments and Offices from employing servants quitting other Establishments without making previous reference to their former employers.

2. Captain Priestley is informed that Government can only support him by refusing to permit other Departments to employ Mr. Jones. He must make his own terms with his Subordinates before engaging them.

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

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J. Priestley Captain
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