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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 17th May 1862.

No. 327. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Military Department, dated 14th May 1862, No. 1,777 :—

Passing orders on Proceedings, Revenue Department, on letter from Honorable C. Pelly submitting letter from Collector of Malabar applying for an Establishment for conducting the duties of the Northern Division Treasury, consequent on the abolition of the Paymastership at Cannanore. (Vide Military Proceedings, 14th May 1862, Nos. 331, 332.)

No. 328. ORDER THEREON, 17th May 1862, No. 1,094.

Ordered to be communicated to the Board of Revenue and to the Honorable Mr. Pelly for information, with reference to Government Order dated 9th instant, No. 1,029.

(Signed) P. P. HUTCHINS,
Acting Deputy Secretary to Government.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from the Honorable C. PELLY, Member of the Board of Revenue, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated 26th April 1862, No. 1,245 :—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to submit, for the consideration and orders of Government, a letter from the Collector of Malabar applying for an Establishment for conducting the duties of the Northern Division Treasury consequent on the abolition of the Paymastership at Cannanore.

Dated 14th April 1862, No. 2,074.

2. Formerly there was a subordinate Revenue Treasury in Tellicherry which in the revision of the Revenue Establishments was abolished on the 1st July 1860, and arrangements were made to provide the Military Paymaster at Cannanore with sufficient funds from the nearest Táluq Treasury for meeting the large Military and other demands at that station. In consequence of the contemplated abolition of the Paymastership at Cannanore the Deputy Paymaster requested the Collector to relieve him of the charge of the Civil Treasury, and Mr. Grant applied * for instructions as to the arrangements to be made for resuming charge of the Civil Treasury at Cannanore.

* Letter to the Board, dated 30th January 1862, referred to me for disposal.

3. Adverting to the Order of Government in the Military Department, dated 7th March 1862, No. 843, in which it is observed in connection with the question of paying Military Pensioners that it will be necessary to appoint a Civil Officer to the charge of the local Treasury at Cannanore, on the abolition of the Deputy Paymastership. I asked† the Collector of Malabar what arrangements he would propose for carrying on the duties of the Treasury, and whether, in his opinion, the Treasury should be again transferred to Tellicherry, or whether it would be desirable that head quarter of the Sub-Collector should be established at Cannanore.

† 24th March 1862.

4. The Collector now reports that as the disbursements are chiefly connected with the Military Department, the Treasury should be kept at Cannanore, that it will not be advisable to remove the head quarters of the Sub-Collector as it is very much isolated from the rest of his charge, and that the services of neither the Salt nor Sea Custom Officers can be made available for Treasury duties as proposed as a temporary measure by Government. He recommends an Establishment costing 150 Rupees. I consider it to be moderate, but I do not think that two Gumáshtas are necessary. In the Collector's Hoozoor Treasuries, only one is allowed, and the same number should be sufficient in a subordinate Treasury. The Collector assigns 50 Rupees for the Cash-keeper, but considering the responsible nature of his duties I would raise it to 70 Rupees. I accordingly beg to recommend for the sanction of Government the Establishment noted in the margin. If any Officer is appointed for the Civil Treasury, as already contemplated, this Establishment may be placed under his immediate charge; otherwise the Sub-Collector at Tellicherry may be directed to pay periodical visits to Cannanore in view to examining the cash balance of the Treasury. The services of the new Cashkeeper may also be made available for the payment of Military Pensioners at Cannanore.

		Rs.
1	Cashkeeper	70
1	Accountant	25
1	Shroff	25
1	Do.	15
1	Gollah	10
1	Peon	6
1	Masaljee	5
7		156

ORDER THEREON, 9th May 1862, No. 1,029.

1. The approaching abolition of the office of Deputy Paymaster in Malabar and Canara renders it necessary that a Civil Treasury should be opened at Cannanore for the payment of the Troops and other Military disbursements at that station, as well as the Civil disbursements, comparatively small, which the Paymaster has hitherto effected.

2. The late Collector Mr. Grant applied for an Establishment, the aggregate cost of which would be Rupees 150 per mensem, which he considered sufficient, so far as he was then informed of the work likely to devolve on it. Mr. Pelly has revised the Establishment, reducing

one of the Clerks proposed and raising the pay of the Cashkeeper from 50 to 70 Rupees. The total monthly charge for the revised Establishment will be Rupees 156.

3. It is not clear from Mr. Pelly's letter whether he intends that the Cashkeeper shall be in sole charge of the Treasury. He alludes to an opinion expressed in Government Order of the Military Department, dated 7th March last, No. 843, that it would "apparently be "necessary to appoint a Civil Officer to the charge of the local Treasury" when the Paymastership was abolished.

Government Order 19th February 1861, No. 386, paragraph 5.

4. The Paymaster's transactions at Cannanore are considerable. His payments of all kinds amounted in 1859-60 to above 21 lacs, and his actual cash transactions ranged from 6½ to nearly 8 lacs, besides about 1½ lac for Civil purposes. The Sub-Collector can arrange for the periodical examination of the Treasury, but without further information as to the nature of the duties which will devolve on the Officer in charge of the Treasury and the amount which on an average will be in his custody, final orders cannot be passed on Mr. Pelly's proposals. Mr. Pelly will obtain this information from the Accountant General and the local Officers, and he will at the same time ascertain whether funds are available by transfer from the Military Budget of 1862-63. No provision can have been made in the Civil Budget, as the charge was not anticipated when that document was prepared.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Honorable C. Pelly.
" Board of Revenue.
" Accountant General.
" Military Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Passing orders
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from Hon: C. Kelly sub-
mitting letter from Col.
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plying for an Estate
for conducting the duties
of the Northern Divn
Treasury, consequent
on the Abolition of the
Pay Mr ship at Cannanore
& Wetham Order

Ans^d

Military Department

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Communicated to the Controller
of Military finance.

2. The Governor in Council observes that the question, whether the abolition of the Deputy Paymastership at Cannanore should be immediate, or prospective only, has been referred to the Government of India, whose decision will be intimated to the Revenue Department on receipt.

Fort St George
14th May 1862.

A Maxwell
Secretary to Govt.

To The Controller of Military finance
-11- Revenue Department

Ordered to be communicated to the Board of Revenue and to the Honble Mr Kelly for information with reference to G.O. under 9 Inst and in Sec 1029.

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