

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
30th July 1862.*

No. 402. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Military Department, dated 25th July 1862, No. 2,602 :--

Communicating certain papers in view to the submission of the explanations of the Officer in charge of the Treasury or other Officers concerned with respect to the state of the Records of the Vellore Pension Office; and for the purpose of the accounts connected with the payment of Military Pensioners, &c., at that Station by the Civil Authorities, being forthwith rendered to the Officer presently in charge, and all advances adjusted.

(Vide Military Proceedings, 25th July 1862, Nos. 413—416.)

No. 403. ORDER THEREON, 30th July 1862, No. 1,626.

1. In a letter under date the 21st July, No. 1,556, the Superintendent of Pensions submits a communication received from the Officer in charge of Pensioners at Vellore, informing him that he has been obliged to suspend paying the families at Vellore in consequence of his not being in possession of the necessary records; Captain Mayne states that the whole of the Records made over to him by the Civil authorities, lately charged with the payment of Military pensions, are in such a state of confusion as to render it impossible for him to carry on the duties entrusted to him.
2. The Acquittance Rolls in the Office are described as not being reliable, the Pension Muster Books are incorrect, and the letters which have been received for the last six months have not been filed; cash receipts received months ago remain undrawn, while there is no Record in the Office to show to whom those cash receipts which have been drawn, have been paid.
3. No explanation or assistance would appear to have been afforded to Captain Mayne by the Civil authorities who have so recently been in charge of the Pension Department at Vellore.
4. The Governor in Council directs that the Collector will immediately proceed to Vellore and put himself in personal communication with the Officer in charge of the Pensioners, and that he will see that the Records of the Pension Office are formally and regularly delivered over to the charge of Captain Mayne. The Collector will also from his own Establishment, furnish such assistance as may be necessary for the proper arrangement of the Records. It is not, in the opinion of the Governor in Council, creditable to the Officer in whose charge these Records have been for the last few months, that upon their being made over to the Military authorities they should be found in the condition described by Captain Mayne. The Acting Collector will submit full explanation regarding the state of the Pension Records.
5. The attention of the Governor in Council has been drawn to the difficulty experienced by the Superintendent of Pensions, in obtaining the usual monthly Returns and Reports of payment to pensioners at Arcot, Arnee, and Vellore, from December 1861.
6. The delays of the Officers, in charge of Pensioners at Arcot, Arnee, and Vellore, in complying with the requisitions made to them were reported to the Collector of North Arcot, but he would seem to have taken no steps to remedy the inconvenience caused by the excessive delays, on the part of his subordinates, beyond referring the Superintendent of Pensions to the Deputy Collector, Mr. Locke.
7. Mr. Fraser will lose no further time in taking such steps as may be necessary to ensure the Superintendent of Pensions being furnished with the information which he requires.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Acting Chief Secretary.

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MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers :—

From the Superintendent of Pensions, Fort Saint George, 19th May 1862, No. 404; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor to bring to the notice of Government, that the usual monthly Returns and Reports of Payment to Pensioners from December 1861, not having been received from the Stations of Arcot, Arnee and Vellore, although application was made for the same on the dates given in the margin, I addressed the Collector of North Arcot on the subject on 9th instant, and enclose his reply in original.

2. On the 5th February and 8th April last, I wrote to the Officer in charge of Pensioners at Vellore, calling for the Certificate of Pensioned widow S. M. McDermott, to enable me to alter the rate of Pension; having received no reply to this, I represented the circumstance to the Collector,* and requested him to cause the Certificate to be forwarded, but I have not yet been favored with an answer.

4. On the 14th April last, I forwarded to the Collector of North Arcot, a list of the letters written in the Family Payment Department of my Office, to the Officers at Arcot, Arnee and Vellore, from 16th January to 10th March 1862, and requested him to cause them to be answered, but I regret to say that no replies have been received up to this date.

4. Under the above circumstances, I request that Government will be pleased to issue such instructions as will enable me to obtain the documents I require.

From the Acting Collector of North Arcot, Palmanair, 12th May 1862, No. 29; to the Superintendent of Pensions, Fort Saint George.

In reply to your letters* of the 9th instant, I have the honor to state that the reason why the

Sub and Head Assistant Collectors have not furnished the Returns you require, is, that they are mere Mustering Officers according to the recent Order of Government. It

forms part of the duty of Mr. Locke, the Deputy Collector in charge of the Treasury, to make such Returns as you call for, and you should apply to him to furnish the Returns which you require.

Memorandum from the Superintendent of Pensions, Fort Saint George, 23rd May 1862, No. 551; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

The Superintendent of Pensions has the honor to state in reply to Memorandum of 21st instant, from the Military Secretary to Government, that Mr. Locke has not until this day been called upon to furnish the required Returns of Pensioners.

2. Printed Forms are now being sent to all Civil Officers in charge of Pensioners, for the years 1862 and 1863.

3. Prior to the general transfer of Military Pensioners to Civil Officers, the Returns furnished by them were sent in manuscript.

From the Superintendent of Pensions, Fort Saint George, 21st July 1862, No. 1556; to the Deputy Secretary to Government, Military Department.

With reference to my letter, No. 404 of 19th May last, I have the honor to submit an original one, just received, from the Officer in charge of Pensioners at Vellore, and request that Government will be pleased to order the assembly of a Court of Inquiry as therein requested, for the purpose of ascertaining the state of the Records and the amount advanced to the Pensioners and Holders of Family Certificates.

Ex. Cont. in R. Mappin, in charge of Pensioners, Vellore, Pk. In. (Sd. No. 25), 25th July 1862.

1. I have been informed that you have been getting to know and paying to some of the Pensioners, there are a few who are not getting their money. I have been informed that the other side of the account is not getting paid. I have been informed that the other side of the account is not getting paid.

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ORDER, No 2602 25th July 1862

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(True Extract)

Alm. M. S. C.
Deputy Secretary to Government

- To the Superintendent of Pensions and Family Payment.
- 1. Revenue Department.
 - 2. Adjutant General.
 - 3. Controller of Military Finance.
 - 4. Military Accountant.

Revenue.

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Proceedings of the Madras Govt
30th July 1862

Read again Order of Govt.
No 2602. issued in their
Pro: Military Dept. d/
25 July. 1862. -

In a letter under date the
21st July. No 1556 The Supdt
of Pensions submits a
communication received
from the Officer in charge
of Pensioners at Vellore
informing him that
he has been obliged to
suspend paying the
families at Vellore
in consequence of his

Done: 1862 (Signed)
Sd/- for Secy.

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not being in possession
of the company records;
Captain Mayne states that
the whole of the records
made over to him by the
Civil authorities, lately
charged with the payment
of Military pensions, are
in such a state of con-
fusion as to render
it impossible for him
to carry on the duties en-
trusted to him.

The acquittance Rolls
in the Office are ^{described as} not being
reliable, the pension
Master Books are in-
correct and the letters

which have been received
for the last six months
have not been filed; and
cash receipts received
months ago, remain
undrawn. While ~~some~~
there is no record in the
Office to show ^{to} by whom
those cash receipts which
have been drawn, have
been paid. No explanation or ap-
plicable would appear
to have been afforded
to Captain Mayne by
the Civil authorities
who have so recently
been in charge of
the Pension department.

at Vellore.

The Governor in Council ~~reports~~
~~that the Board of Revenue~~
~~will direct the Collector~~
~~to immediately forward to Vellore~~

& put himself ~~immediately~~
~~personal~~
in communication with

the Officer in charge of the
Pensions and ~~Vellore~~,
and that he will, ~~apart~~
by his deputy Collector
formally see that the
Records of the ^{Pension} Office are
formally and regularly
delivered over to the charge

of Captain Magne.

The Collector will also from
his own Establishment,
furnish such assistance
as may be necessary
for the proper arrangement

of the Records. It is not, in
the opinion of the Governor
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the Officer in whose charge
these records have been,
for the last few months,
that upon their being
made over to the Military
authorities they should
be found in the condition
described by Captain
Magne. ^{the Acting Collector} and ~~the Board~~
will ^{submit} ~~submit~~ a full ex-
planation ~~from the Collector~~
^{regarding} of the state of the ^{Pension} Records.
The Governor in Council
also desires that the at-
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 Prisons, in obtaining
 the usual monthly returns
 & Reports of payment to
 Prisoners at Arrest, Arre-
 sted, from December
 1861; - and to the ~~negligence~~
 of the ~~Prison~~ ^{Prison} ~~authorities~~,
 subordinate to the Collector,
 it is ~~not~~ ^{subordinate to the Collector} ~~in the way~~
 better ~~advised~~ ^{advised} by the
 Superintendent of Prisons to be
~~rescued~~.

The delays of the Officers,
in charge of Prisoners
at West Arnee & Vellor,
in complying with the

requisitions made to
 them were referred to
 the collector of N. Arch.
 but he would seem
 to have taken no steps
 to remedy the ~~neglect~~
 the inconvenience ^{caused by} ~~of~~
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 the part of his subordinates,
 beyond referring the
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7 " Military 18 21 11/1

I received 1862 Report
of the Court for July.

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To the Hon. Secy. of the
Treasury & Aug 1862.

From the Hon. Secy. of the
Treasury.

I am in receipt of
your order on
Military Proceedings regarding
the Confused State of the Pension
Office and the conse-
quent suspension of pay-
ment of pensions.

1862 & 1863.