

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Dated 25 Dec 1865.	

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
5th April 1865.*

No. 61. Read the following letter from R. E. MASTER, Esq., Officiating Director of Revenue Settlement, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 25th March 1865, No. 304-13:—

SIR,

Having occasion to proceed to Masulipatam on duty, with a portion of my establishment, my Native Uncovenanted Assistant and his Gumastah (Brahmins) represented that their caste prevented them from going by steamer, and I accordingly permitted them to precede me by land. On submitting, in the usual course, through the Board of Revenue, a bill for the batta and mileage due to them for the journey, it was duly audited and passed by the Board, but the Civil Paymaster has retrenched the whole of the mileage, Rupees 157-8-0, and has allowed the batta only, Rupees 25-3-0, quoting as his authority a rule contained in paragraph 102 of the Uncovenanted Servants' Vade Mecum, declaring that whenever steam communication is available, officers should adopt that means of transit, whatever their caste may be. The order of Government on which this rule is based has not been communicated to me, and I was until now unaware of its existence. On former occasions these very servants have performed the same journey in the same manner, and their travelling allowance has been passed without objection. In the present instance it will be observed that the whole of the mileage has been retrenched, and that the servants have not been allowed even the amounts to which they would have been entitled as passage money, had they travelled by steamer. In the case of the Uncovenanted Assistant, who would probably be considered entitled to a cabin passage, this amount would be nearly equal to the mileage. Under these circumstances, I have the honor to submit the bill for the orders of Government.

No. 62.

ORDER THEREON, 5th April 1865, No. 739.

Miscellaneous.

The Government are of opinion that the individuals alluded to in this letter are entitled to Steam passage money, and this the Civil Paymaster will be instructed to pass.

(True Extract)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

To the Officiating Director of Revenue Settlement.
„ the Civil Paymaster.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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W. M. M.

Off. Director of Revenue & Customs

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Secretary to Government

Revenue Department

Fort St George

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Will pay money, and then the first
payment will be reduced to 40

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John W. George
5-24-1865.

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3 " " Field Experiment - 1 Disb. office

Noting the circumstance under
which a Bill for R.R. & Canals
for the Pacific would be sent
to a Committee on Commerce &
the like fiscal channel and the
grounds on which the Civil Rights
has disallowed the same privilege,
in submitting the Bill for the order
of Government.

1839. Still
with our order

W. Brock 105-108 St. Ave