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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 1103 Press Mis.

Dated 9. 5. 1866.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
9th May 1866.

No. 167. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Military Department :—

Communicating a Despatch from the Home Government, passing certain observations with reference to the permission granted by this Government to Dr. Cleghorn to retain his appointment, though he had been absent on private affairs, for upwards of six months. } (Here enter 30th April 1866, No. 1,522.)

No. 168. ORDER THEREON, 9th May 1866, No. 1,103.

Miscellaneous.

Communicated to the Officiating Conservator of Forests and the Board of Revenue.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,

Under Secretary to Government.

To the Officiating Conservator of Forests, } with Proceedings Military Department, No. 1,522.
,, the Board of Revenue,

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers :—

Military despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, India Office, London, 17th March 1866, No. 18; to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, Fort Saint George.

1. The Proceedings of your Government for the 24th November 1865, Nos. 506 to 508, report the circumstances under which you allowed Surgeon Major H. C. Cleghorn, Conservator of Forests, to retain his appointment, although he had been absent from your Presidency on private affairs for upwards of six months.

2. It appears that you considered that Surgeon Major Cleghorn having been allowed to return by a particular route (*via* Bombay),—the spirit of the ruling of the Financial despatch, No. 219 of 1864, which provides that, when a Civil servant is allowed to return by a particular ship, any extension of leave thereby rendered necessary, is without prejudice to retention of appointment applied to him. This rule however has not been made applicable to Military Officers.

3. Dr. Cleghorn is under Military Regulations as regards furlough, and any rule therefore applicable only to Civil servants would not govern his case, even had he fulfilled its conditions; but Dr. Cleghorn was not allowed to return by any *particular ship, nor by any particular route.* The letter sent to him from this office on 25th September 1865, which is correctly entered on your Proceedings, merely grants him permission to return to his duty on the Madras Establishment.

4. In connection with this case, I desire to call your attention to the observations contained in the 3rd and 5th paragraphs of Sir Charles Wood's despatch to the Government of India, 16th May 1864, No. 143.

Copy enclosed.

5. I have no desire to disturb your decision in this case.

Extract Military despatch to the Government of India, No. 143, dated 16th May 1864, paragraphs 3 and 5.

3. It is the invariable practice in this country to inform officers, in answer to official inquiries, whether verbal or written, respecting the retention of their appointments beyond the regulated period of leave granted by the local Government, that such retention cannot be guaranteed to them here. Any departure from this rule would be specially communicated, both to the Officer concerned and to the Government of the Presidency to which he belongs.

5. If an officer applies for and obtains an extension of leave, or for permission to adopt a route which, by retarding his return involves practically such extension, he does it at his own wish, and on his own responsibility.

ORDER, No. 1522, 30th April 1866.

Communicated to the Commander-in-Chief, (Adjutant General's Department) Military Account Department, Examiner of Claims and Revenue Department, with reference to Proceedings of Government, 24th November 1865, No. 4335.

(True Extract.)

Major General,

Secretary to Government.

To the Adjutant General.
,, Controller of Military Accounts.
,, Military Accountant.
,, Examiner Pay Department.
,, Examiner of Claims.
,, Revenue Department.
,, Public Department,
,, Principal Inspector General Medical Department, } for information.

Esd. J. E. Cuthart.

Pol. 28th Nov. 65 Nos. 566-569

Pen. 1866. Dispatch
Bo. of Govt. for India
No. 1206.

Proceedings of the
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in the Military
Departments.

Dated 30th April 1866
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