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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Dated 12 - 10 - 1866.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 12th October 1866.

No. 324. Read the following Memorandum from the Accountant General, Madras, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Fort Saint George, 2nd October 1866, No. 225:—

Vide Revenue Proceedings No. 2,261, dated 29th August.

1. The undersigned has the honor to forward an appeal from Mr. McQuhae, received under cover of the Collector's 33, dated 22nd ultimo. It really requires few remarks; the case was first brought before Government fully in the letter whereon the above orders were passed, before the peculiar circumstance which left a doubt possible had been overlooked. Mr. McQuhae had applied indeed for the *same* tentage as he had been drawing, but on the ground that the change left him with a less income than he had already been drawing; the argument was met by the grant of the lower tentage, and the lower tentage, the tentage appropriate to the fixed pay, was surely the tentage Government must have intended to be drawn.

2. But the undersigned must draw attention to the last sentence of Mr. McQuhae's second paragraph; while discourteous to himself, it is certainly disrespectful to Government; it speaks of a deliberate order of Government as being the act only of the undersigned, and in terms which would be appropriate if by a quibble upon words the undersigned were trying to evade payment of some money decreed against himself personally.

3. In McQuhae's last paragraph he again speaks of the undersigned's "attempt to deprive" him "of that which Government have been pleased to give." Against this also it is necessary to protest, the duty of the undersigned is purely judicial, to consider whether Government orders clearly bear out any claim; the Civil Paymaster would simply have disallowed the larger tentage as not *certainly* granted by the orders; before ordering recovery the undersigned asked what the wish of Government was.

No. 325. ORDER THEREON, 12th October 1866, No. 2,774.

Miscellaneous.

1. The Government see no reason to disturb the Order dated 29th August 1866, No. 2,261.

2. The style of Mr. McQuhae's letter is very improper. Mr. McQuhae will be more careful in future.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Accountant General.
„ the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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ACCOUNTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE, MADRAS.

No. 2265
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From

ACTING DEPUTY ACCOUNTANT GENERAL

To The Secretary to Government
Revenue Dept.

Dated. 2nd October 1866
Recd. 4th } (No. of answer.)
Answd. 6th Oct.

(Subject)

Forwarding an appeal from Mr. McDuhas against the reduction of his fixed tenage with his observations thereon.

The Government see no reason to disturb the order dated 29th August 1866 No. 2261.

2 W. The style of the letter is very simple, proper Sir McDuhas will be more careful in future. — Ltr.

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