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# MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

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## Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 2308 Press ~~Mis.~~

35-36. Dated 1—9— 19 1868.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,*
*1st September* 1868.

No. 35. Read the following letter from the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, to the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 24th August 1868 :—

1. I am directed by the Board of Revenue to submit, for the favorable consideration of Government, a Memorial from Mr. Haughton, the Registrar of their Office, soliciting an increase of his salary. The Board desire to point out that the Registrar's work in their Office is extremely onerous and responsible, and that it has of late greatly increased. Mr. Haughton has always discharged these duties efficiently, and has held the appointment now for seven and a half years, having previously been Assistant for six years. His total service exceeds twenty-five years.

2. The Board fully recognize the long and good services of Mr. Haughton, and consider him fairly entitled to a personal allowance of such an amount as to make his salary equal to that of the Registrar in the Chief Secretary's Office.

3. Should the Government not concur in this proposal, the following arrangement is suggested. The retirement of the Record-keeper in the Board's Office on pension affords an opportunity of effecting a saving of 25 Rupees, by reducing the salary from 125 to 100 Rupees. This the Board consider would be a sufficient remuneration for the present to the successor, and a further reduction of 25 Rupees can be made in two subordinate appointments, both likely to be shortly vacated. I am, accordingly, to recommend that Government will be pleased to sanction the increase of Mr. Haughton's pay in one or other of the modes proposed.

No. 36. ORDER THEREON, 1st September 1868, No. 2,308.

Miscellaneous.

The Government regret that they are unable to comply with the Board's recommendation.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
*Acting Secretary to Government.*

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

To,

The Members of the
Board of Revenue.

The Humble Memorial of
Thomas Broughton,
Registrar Board of Revenue.

Respectfully Sheweth,

That your Memorialists Service under Government extends over a period of twenty five Years, of which the last seventeen have been passed in your Board's Office.

That since your Memorialists appointment as Registrar in June 1806, the post of First Uncovenanted Assistant of the Office has twice become vacant, but that his endeavours to obtain that post have unfortunately proved unsuccessful.

That Your Memorialist being thus precluded from advancement to the only post to which he naturally looked for promotion, feels the greatest discouragement at his future prospects, seeing that while

Mr. Shore the Secretary
Mr. Isabella was
Mr. Mercer
Mr. Court-five
Mr. Mayne, the
Mr. Organist.

+ Mr. Kelly the
2d Asst. had a
previous letter
read to him.

+ after Mr. Kelly

while his Labours and responsibility are year by year increasing, his Salary remains as it was on his first appointment to his present post.

That the Salary of the Registrar or Manager is now on a worse footing than it was in 1835 when the Board as then constituted, in recommending the then Manager for an increase of Salary declared that the post was one "which in point of the Labour "and responsibility called it involved, and the intelligence "which it required not only far exceeded that of "Uncovenanted Assistants in the Board's Office, but "was fully equal to any Uncovd Officer either in "the Presidency or in the Service" although these views may not hold good to the full extent in the present day when so many higher paid and more important appointments are given to and held by Uncovd Officers, Your Memorialist trusts that it will nevertheless be admitted that the duties and responsibilities of the post are much greater at present than when the sentiments quoted above were expressed -

Sc Government
2d Feby 1835 No 233,
12th May 1853 No 2203

That Your Memorialist has now held the post of Registrar for upwards of seven years during which period it will be seen from the Statement entered in the Margin that the work of the Office has largely increased, and he trusts it will be admitted that he has discharged his duties satisfactorily - Appended are three testimonials given to Memorialist by former Members of the Board and the late Secretary Mr Hudleston -

| Years | Letters Received | Letters Despatched | Petitions | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1856 | 8676 | 4,410 | 3933 | 16,989 |
| 1857 | 8118 | 4718 | 4,431 | 17,267 |
| 1858 | 9325 | 6,048 | 3,905 | 19,278 |
| 1859 | 11,621 | 6,681 | 4,579 | 22,951 |
| 1860 | 10,859 | 7417 | 4,230 | 22,596 |
| 1861 | 13,067 | 8,268 | 4,720 | 26,055 |
| 1862 | 13,582 | 9,404 | 4,777 | 27,763 |
| 1863 | 14,301 | 9,235 | 4,963 | 28,499 |
| 1864 | 15,132 | 9,652 | 4,758 | 29,542 |
| 1865 | 14,606 | 9,559 | 4,197 | 28,362 |
| 1866 | 15,279 | 13,514 | 4,650 | 30,443 |
| 1867 | 15,136 | 9,627 | 3,857 | 28,620 |

That Your Memorialist begs respectfully to bring to Your Notice that the Registrar Public Department Government Office, whose duties he submits are not more arduous or important than those performed by him, receives a monthly Salary of 400 Rupees, or 100 Rupees in excess of that of Your Memorialist -

Under the foregoing circumstances, Your Memorialist humbly prays that his Salary be placed on an equal footing with that paid to the Registrar Public Department Government Office, or that You will be pleased to recommend the grant to him of such an augmentation of Salary as You may deem

him

him to the deserving of-

And Your Memorialist as in duty bound will ever Pray-

Hamilton

Registrar

16 Feb 68

Recd 16/2/68

Enclosing a letter from the Mayo Board of Guardians stating that Patrick O'Donnell has been appointed Registrar of Kilmovee

Mr Kennedy.

Recd 19th Feb 68

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Bds letter No 2762

Circulated for orders

Sent enclosed Sanction to Bds Instead

Solicitor Hamilton

I can testify to Mr Hamilton's satisfactory performance of his duties, and to their very economical manner in an Office where there is so much detail work as there is in the Board. The duties of Registrar are really very important, and I think the salary should be equal to that of the Registrar in the Chief Sec's Office where work is considerably lighter. I object to the proposal to reduce the other salaries as they were only fixed a short time back on being the proper rates

RB

I mistake not- this R: Bds Solicitor himself was to some extent responsible for Mr Hamilton coming in to the Bds Secretariat? If the present applicant had had claims for increase of salary, they ought then to have been presented & no doubt would have been, had it been possible to make out a good case.-

Applicant stands on the Bds Establishment list next to the 2nd applicant, Mr Kelly, above whom, as an ex Mr J. F. Mayne. He is probably Mr Mayne's inducement to the Bds staff, that has made it a point against Mr Kelly & the applicants promotion: but here as an ex Mayne