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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
29th June 1871.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 329. From the Acting Collector of Chingleput, to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Kattivak, 31st May 1871, No. 113.

I HAVE the honour to forward, for the favourable consideration of Government, copy of a letter from Mr. Farmer, Assistant Collector, laying claim to travelling allowance due to him for having travelled from Madras to Bellary and back, but which has been disallowed by the Accountant-General.

2. The circumstances under which Mr. Farmer joined the district, prior to the expiration of his leave, in the interest of public service, are detailed by Mr. Blair in his letter to the Accountant-General, whom he considered it advisable to address before requesting the special sanction of Government. I enclose copy of this letter as well as of the Accountant-General's reply, declining to admit the charge.

THE Accountant-General is requested to explain more in detail his opinion of the inadmissibility of this claim, referring *passim* to the rules in force.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
10th June 1871.

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

No. 330. Memorandum from the Officiating Accountant-General, Madras, to the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Fort Saint George, 13th June 1871, No. 103.

THE undersigned has the honour to submit the following remarks with reference to Mr. Farmer's claim to travelling allowance from Madras to Bellary and back on the occasion referred to in the correspondence.

2. It has been ruled by the Government of India in the Financial Department, No. 3,180, dated 28th April 1862, that when an officer is transferred from one station to another when on leave, his travelling allowance, if he be entitled to any, should be regulated by the distance from his old to his new station, or from the place where he receives the order appointing him to his new station, whichever is the least expensive to Government.

3. Mr. Farmer, at the time of his appointment to the Chingleput District, was at Madras, and accordingly is only entitled to travelling allowance from Madras to his new station.

4. Further, Mr. Farmer had joined his appointment in the Chingleput District, and the journey undertaken by him from Madras to Bellary and back was for private reasons, which are not taken into account in regulating claims against Government.

5. Had Mr. Farmer not been on leave when these journeys were performed, the time occupied by them would also not have been admissible under Rule III., Chapter XI. of the C. S. L. Code. He would in that case not only have received

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no travelling allowance for those journeys, but would have been subject to forfeiture of pay if he delayed joining the Chingleput District beyond the time which would have been admissible to him under that rule from Madras.

(Signed) R. W. LODWICK,
Officiating Accountant-General.

No. 331.

ORDER THEREON, 29th June 1871, No. 1,129.

Miscellaneous.

THE Government observe that the circumstances of Mr. Farmer's case are peculiar. When he came to Madras on leave he obviously contemplated a return to Bellary, and made no arrangements regarding his property. He was consequently compelled to return to Bellary after he had been transferred to the Chingleput District.

2. The Officiating Accountant-General is, therefore, authorized to pass Mr. Farmer's travelling allowance to and from Bellary.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

Memorandum No. 103

The undersigned has the honor to submit the following remarks with reference to Mr. Farmer's claim to travelling allowance from Madras to Bellary and back on the occasion referred to in the correspondence.

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Mr. Farmer at the time of his appointment to the Chingleput District was at Madras and accordingly is only entitled to travelling allowance from Madras to his new station. Further Mr. Farmer had joined his appointment to the Chingleput District and the journey undertaken by him from Madras to Bellary and back was for private reasons, which are not taken into account in regulating claims against Government.

And Mr. Farmer not being on leave when these journeys were performed, the time occupied by them would not be subject to the same rules as in the case of the C. & C. Code. We would not in that case not only have allowed no travelling allowance for those journeys but would have been obliged to forfeit the pay of his delayed joining the Chingleput District beyond the time which would have been admissible to him under that rule from Madras.

For Mr. George
Accountant-General

13 June 1871.
To the Secretary to Government
Revenue Dept.

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Forwarded 18/7/1871

From 27-1871

The AG Collector of Chingleput

See AG Chief Secretary to Govt

No 237

Dated 31st May 1871

Received 8th June 1871

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Forwards Copy of

a letter from Mr. Farmer

Assistant Collector

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allowance disallowed by

the Accountant-General.

order under the explanation

under Sec 6 and, it is clear that

it cannot be upheld

by any ruling of the

Accountant-General's Office
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For Mr. George
10 June 1871

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This strikes me as a hard call.

Mr. Farmer was called from
Wellington - he got leave to Windsor
for Examination - and that
leave carried with it the right
to travelling allowance from
Wellington to Windsor & back again.

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While at Windsor, he was
was a 7 printed letter in it - i.e.
was transferred from Wellington to
Windsor. At the request of the
Clerk who was in West coast of
after Farmer he paid before his

properly

have expired - but the time
has been formally cancelled.
The consequence is that he has
no travelling allowance!

When he was at Balling, he
would as a matter of course
have drawn it -

Having come to London, he of
course contemplated a return
to Balling and made his ar-
rangements regarding his per-
sonal things. He returned to
this and I think he was

fully claiming travelling allowance ⁹⁸
Balling & thence to London.
The rule is a very un-
-fair one in prescribing that travelling
allowance is to be paid from the
officer's station or the place where
he receives the order appointing him
whichever is least! Where as

in this case the appointing is
a mere transfer & being so long
back since the rule should be from
his station, if he requires it.

I do

I think that under the circumstances
of this case Mr. Farmer ought to get travelling

allowance for the journey. It is
he will have been a loss to his
to make from one district to another
and it is to provide this but travelling
allowance is authorized in the case
of such transfers. I would prefer
to have it allowed.

23 June 71

A. V. R.

Revenue Department

No 1129

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 29 June 1871

Recd. the following
papers.

From the A. Collector of Chingleput
Forwarding copy of a letter from
Mr. Farmer, Asst. Collector claiming
certain travelling allowances disallowed
by the Accountant General.

A. E. 31st May 1871 N^o 113.

From the A. Accountant General.
Passing remarks with reference
to the above.

A. E. 13th June 1871 N^o 103.

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2. The Off^r Accountant General is therefore authorized to pass Mr. Farmer's travelling allowance to and from Bellary.

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16 - Mr. [unclear]

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