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Read the following papers:—

No. 205. From W. S. WHITESIDE, Esq., Collector of North Arcot, to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Palmanair, 12th June 1874, No. 41.

I have the honour to report, for the information of Government, that Mr. H. Sewell, having given over charge of the Bellary District to Mr. Master on the 5th instant, arrived at Vellore, the headquarters of his Sub-Collectorate, on the 9th instant, but up to this date has, no doubt under a misapprehension of the joining-time rules, abstained from resuming charge of his own appointment.

2. The rule to which I refer is numbered 3, Chapter VIII., of the Civil Leave Code, which merely provides for time spent *bonâ fide* in preparation for, or in making the journey; and it appears to me that, on his arrival at his headquarters, Mr. Sewell was bound at once to take charge of his office from Mr. Rice, who was then on the spot. I have, accordingly, ordered him at once to resume his appointment.

3. The question, however, being one affecting the salaries of both Mr. Sewell and Mr. Rice, I have deemed it advisable to lay the matter at once before Government for such orders as they may consider necessary. It is obvious that, if my view of the case be correct, Mr. Sewell must be regarded as absent without leave from the date of his return to the district while Mr. Rice's claim to acting allowances for the period he was irregularly in charge of the Sub-Collectorate is very dubious.

4. The question as to the legality of any orders, revenue or magisterial, passed by Mr. Rice since the 9th instant is one which it is not necessary for me now to discuss.

Referred to the Accountant-General for his report.

Ootacamund,
16th June 1874.

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Acting Chief Secretary.

No. 206. From R. W. LODWICK, Esq., Accountant-General, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Fort St. George, 15th June 1874, No. 130.

Audit Department.

With reference to letter of Mr. Whiteside to Government, No. 41, dated 12th instant, copy of which has been received for information from that gentleman, I have the honour to state that under the Notification, No. 280, of 29th April 1869, published in the *Fort St. George Gazette* of that year, Mr. Sewell can, if he likes, take his preparation time at his new station, and therefore Mr. Whiteside is wrong in saying that Mr. Sewell must be regarded as absent without leave from the date of his arrival at his headquarters to date of resuming charge of his appointment. Mr. Whiteside should, it is submitted, have sent his letter through this department.

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No. 207. ORDER THEREON, 24th June 1874, No. 1060.

Copy of the Accountant-General's letter will be furnished to the Collector of North Arcot for his information and guidance.

(True Extract.)

M. A. L. S. S.
Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Collector of North Arcot.

„ Accountant-General.

„ Revenue Department. ✓

Exd. J. Wright.

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