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9th August 1876.*

No. 77. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel W. H. HESSEY, Superintendent of Revenue Survey, to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Chepauk, 2nd August 1876, No. 2,348/94 :—

In G.O., dated 11th January 1871, No. 77, the Government were pleased to sanction batta for Surveyors and Peons employed in the Wynaad and in the Nilgiri Hills.

2. I have the honor to state that the grant of batta is equally necessary to men employed in other districts in exceptionally difficult or unhealthy localities, such, for instance, as the Anamalai Hills and Collegal Hills in Coimbatore, the Warsanad Hills, the Serumalai Hills, the Pulney Hills, and the Nattam Hills in Madura, the Nallamalai Hills in Kurnool, the Javady Hills in North Arcot, and so on.

3. The difficulty has hitherto been partially met by the grant of a temporary increase of pay to Surveyors whilst employed in special surveys. The sanctioned scale, however, did not admit of any increase being made to the pay of ordinary Measurers beyond Rupees 7. The principal obstacle to the progress of work has been the objection of ordinary class of coolies to serve at the rates allowed.

4. The grant of the trifling increase of one Anna per diem for each working day has been found sufficient to make all the difference between regular attendance and frequent absence without leave on frivolous pretexts.

5. I have, therefore, respectfully to request that so much of the order noted in paragraph 1 as relates to batta may be made applicable to men belonging to any of the Revenue Survey Parties who may be employed in localities which may appear to me to justify the grant of special working allowance.

6. I do not anticipate that there will be any perceptible increase in the expenditure; more work will be done by fewer men.

7. The grant of working batta is not needed in ordinary localities, for each vacancy that may exist, there are several applicants. In hilly tracts it is difficult to collect men at first, and still more difficult to replace them if they are discharged or run away.

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ORDER THEREON, 9th August 1876, No. 1,069.

Miscellaneous.

THE Government agree with the Superintendent of Revenue Survey that it is very desirable to grant special batta to officers and servants employed in hilly and unhealthy tracts; but a general sanction of the kind stated in paragraph 5 cannot be accorded. The particulars of the establishments employed in such tracts and the additional charges involved in carrying out the Superintendent's proposal should be fully specified, and the sanction of the Government of India will have to be obtained for incurring the charge.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintendent of Revenue Survey.

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From

The Superintendent Revenue Survey.

To

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Your Most Obed^t Servant

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