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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PENSION DEPARTMENT.

25th September 1877, No. 517.

Pension or Gratuity.

Read the following paper:—

From W. DONALD, Esq., Officiating Accountant-General, Madras, to the Secretary to Government, dated Fort St. George, 7th September 1877, No. 664.

Audit Department.

I have the honor to bring to notice that frequent correspondence and long delay in the disposal by this office of pension applications is occasioned by a general disregard on the part of Heads of departments and others when submitting, or remarking upon, such applications to the instructions laid down in the several sections (49—57) contained in Chapter XI of the Civil Pension Code.

2. An application for pension is seldom or never submitted for the orders of Government without the previous interchange of correspondence, sometimes of considerable length, between the officer submitting the application and my office. This is rendered necessary in consequence of the omission of some essential information or irregularity in procedure.

3. As under Section 81 of the Code no authority but the Secretary of State can sanction any procedure in connection with these applications which involves relaxation of rule, I would ask the Government to issue such orders as may appear to them necessary to secure on the part of Heads of departments a stricter observance generally of the rules in the Civil Pension Code, and particularly of those relating to the conditions of award of pension and gratuity embodied in Chapter XI.

4. It is impossible to detail the many points which are disregarded more or less in every application, but I may mention that the most fruitful source of correspondence lies in a neglect of the instructions relating to medical certificates in Sections 53 and 54, the latter recently amended, and a very widespread misunderstanding of the precise conditions on which a compensation pension or gratuity can under Section 50 be granted.

ORDER THEREON, 25th September 1877, No. 517.

This letter will be communicated to all departments for guidance.

2. His Grace the Governor in Council has frequently to impress upon officers submitting to Government applications for pension or gratuity strict attention to the rules of the Code, the provisions of which, as remarked by the Accountant-General, are so frequently overlooked. Careful attention thereto will not only greatly facilitate the despatch of public business, but will prevent much hardship to applicants through the long and disheartening delays which now so often occur. The Heads of departments are responsible that this duty is correctly discharged by their subordinates.

(True Extract.)

James Campbell

Acting Under Secy. to Govt.

To the Accountant-General.
„ the Revenue Department.
„ the Military „
„ the Public Works „
„ the Public „
„ all Heads of Departments.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

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