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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

11th December 1878, No. 1,993.

Read the following paper:—

No. 126. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 1st August 1878, Miscellaneous No. 7,785.

Read the following letter from H. W. BLISS, Esq., Commissioner of Salt Revenue, to C. A. GALTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Ennore, 29th July 1878, No. 824:—

With G.O., 21st May, F.R. No. 1,160, was circulated a despatch from the Secretary of State sanctioning the grant of certain concessions to Civil Servants required to return from England before the expiration of their furlough owing to the pressure of famine work.

2. The concessions granted, for which the best thanks of the officers concerned are due to Government, follow the lines laid down in Lord Stanley's despatch, No. 16, of the 9th February 1859, save in so far as they make no provision for the grant of pay at the rate drawn before furlough was taken.

3. This exception makes a very serious difference to me personally; I have therefore the honor to ask that the Board will lay before Government this my respectful request that my particular case may be taken into favorable consideration.

4. It is as follows:—

5. In September 1876, after nearly thirteen years' uninterrupted service, I took fifteen months' furlough. In the following June, when I had been less than eight months in England, and when I had quite made up my mind to apply for an extension of leave due to me under the rules, so that instead of returning to India in December 1877 I might do so in March or April 1878, I was suddenly ordered to proceed to India immediately. I obeyed without demur and without complaint then or since, being fully conscious of the existing necessity of the order, and confident from assurances given me by the late Mr. Ellis and by Sir H. Anderson, the Secretary in the India Office in charge of famine work, that the same concessions would be made to officers ordered out from furlough to meet the public emergency of the famine as had before been granted to officers ordered out from furlough to meet the public emergency of the mutiny.

6. I am not, I trust, presumptuous in saying that if nothing had interfered to prevent my carrying out my intention of not returning to India until March or April of this year, I must then have got at least an Acting Collectorate, even if Government had not been pleased to appoint me to the office I have now the honor to hold. As it was I was appointed on my return to be Additional Sub-Collector of North Arcot. In other words, my enforced return to duty on account of a public emergency has led to my drawing for the first six months after my return from furlough nearly Rs. 800 per mensem less than would otherwise have been the case.

7. The proposals of the Government of Madras referred to in the Government of India letter recorded in the Government Order above mentioned were intended to meet cases of the kind, and I am very grateful to them for the consideration for the interests of their servants which they thus evinced.

8. On those proposals the Government of India remark: "Under the present rules and circumstances of the service, a Civil Servant returning from furlough would ordinarily, and as a matter of course, be appointed to as lucrative a post as he enjoyed at the time of his departure. Occasional cases might, however, occur in which suitable posts might not be vacant, and the returning officer might have to join an appointment of lower salary than the acting post he filled before his departure on furlough. But we do not think that special orders are needed to meet such cases."

9. I trust I may be permitted to say that it appears to me that there must have been some clerical error in the drafting of the extract I have given, the first two sentences of which would appear to be more naturally followed by the words "Special orders will be given to meet such cases" than by the sentence "But we do not think that special orders are needed to meet such cases," which actually occurs therein. And this would appear to be what the Secretary of State thought was meant, for he quotes the Government of India as stating that the proposal of the Madras Government relating to pay was already provided for under the rules of the service, and therefore required no special orders. But, as I have shown, this was not so. I think, however, that there can be no doubt that the intention of the Secretary of State was that officers should get what the Madras Government proposed, and that he only abstained from passing orders to this effect because he understood the Government of India to say that they already virtually existed, and needed not therefore to be specially prescribed.

10. My respectful request is therefore that Government will instruct the Accountant-General to pass me the difference between the allowances of a Sub-Collector and those of an Acting Collector (the appointment I held before I went home) from the date of my resumption of duty to the date on which I assumed charge of the office of Commissioner of Salt Revenue.

11. Additional reasons, if any are needed, why this boon should be granted to me are—

1*st*.—I am the only officer who returned to duty from furlough on account of the famine who did not at once obtain an appointment of equal value to that he held before he went home. The reason of this was that while Government could and did create, so far as was required, such additional appointments of the grade of Sub-Collector and of Head Assistant Collector as they thought necessary to provide my juniors with the same emoluments as they drew before proceeding on furlough, administrative difficulties stood in the way of their creating additional appointments of the grade of Collector. Even for this though I understand that there is some precedent, Mr. H. J. Stokes, while still a Sub-Collector and employed in the Madura District on special duty, having been paid either as Collector or as Acting Collector, I am not sure which. Mr. Price also, while employed in the Bellary District as Additional Sub-Collector, was similarly remunerated.

2*ndly*.—If the Government are not pleased to extend to me the boon I ask for, and I should unfortunately be taken ill within the next year or two and have to take sick leave, I should actually draw less pay under the rules when then at home than I did when last at home. I am sure that it cannot be the wish of Government to subject me to such a loss.

12. I am aware that it may be said that if Government is pleased to grant me the pay of an Acting Collector for the period in question, the result will be that my emoluments for that period will exceed those drawn by other officers, my seniors, who may be said to have lost Acting Collectorates through the stoppage of furlough which the famine entailed. But I beg to point out that there is an essential difference between my position and those of such officers. They have had their furloughs in due course under the rules. I have not. On the contrary, I have not only not had the furlough which I had earned, but by such leave as I have taken and may in future take, being split into two pieces instead of being in

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13. I regret the delay which has taken place in the submission of this reference. But the Government Order in which the Secretary of State's despatch is embodied was by some accident not communicated to me at the same time as to Collectors, and since it reached me press of work has prevented my attending to the matter.

SUBMITTED for the orders of Government.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) C. A. GALTON,
Acting Secretary.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) L. A. CAMPBELL,
Under Secretary to Government.

Exd. A. F. Goodall.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE,
11th December 1878.

No. 1,99

No. 127.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, AGRICULURE, AND COMMERCE.

Miscellaneous.

Despatch from Government of India, to Secretary of State, dated 4th January 1878, No. 4.
Despatch from Secretary of State, to Government of India, dated 21st February 1878, No. 16.
Endorsement of the Government of India, Public Works Department, dated 7th May 1878, No. 1,262 (Famine).

SIR,—Adverting to the correspondence noted in the margin in regard to the concessions to be allowed to Covenanted Civil Officers required to return from England before the expiration of their leave, I am directed to submit, for the orders of the Government of India, the case of Mr. Bliss, now Commissioner of Salt Revenue.

2. This officer took furlough to Europe on 10th September 1876, and was then an Acting Collector drawing Rs. 2,031-15-1 a-month, but being recalled on account of the famine he returned to duty in August 1877, and reverted to his substantive appointment of Sub-Collector (Rs. 1,254-2-8).

3. Had Mr. Bliss remained in India, he would probably have lost his appointment as Acting Collector in December 1876, when the permanent incumbent returned to duty; but, on the other hand, he would not, unless compelled, have returned to this country until early in this year, when his position in the service would have again secured him the post of Acting Collector. His recall, therefore, may unquestionably be said to have placed him, during six months of Indian service, on less pay than he would otherwise have drawn during this portion of his "service and residence;" and on this ground he prays that he may be allowed to draw for such period, *i.e.*, from the date* of his return until appointed† Salt Commissioner, the difference between the pay of a Sub-Collector and that of a Sub-Collector acting Collector.

* 31st July 1877.
† 9th February 1878.

4. It appears that Mr. Bliss is the only officer who will be affected by the decision on his case, which would seem to form one of those exceptions, the occasional occurrence of which was contemplated in paragraph 2 of the Government of India Despatch to the Secretary of State, dated 4th January 1878, No. 4.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Acting Chief Secretary.

Extd. A. F. Goodall.

Agriculture {1878} Department.

Government of Fort St. George.

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Forwarding, for orders, papers relating to the claim of Mr. Bliss, Commissioner of Salt Revenue, to draw the difference between the pay of a Sub-Collector and that of a Sub-Collector acting Collector for the period specified on account of his return to India before the expiration of his leave in connection with famine.

Revenue Department

Mis. No. 7785.

1878

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
Dated 1st August 1878

Correspondence Dept
No. 824

Read the following

From

H. W. Bliss Esqre
Commissioner of Salt Revenue

To

C. A. Galton Esqre
Ag Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Sir

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Office of the Comm^r Salt Rev. on Cent Frontier 29th July 1870

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(Sd) H. W. Bliss
Comm^r of Salt Revenue

Submitted for the orders of Government

(True Copy & Extract)

A Galletti
Ag Secretary

To
The Secretary to Govt N. D

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" B Horsborough	Sub Collr of Kistna	Sub Collector Kistna	Sub Collr Kistnah & Ag Sessn Judge Vizagapatam
" R J Stuart	Sub Collr of Cuddapah & Ag Collr of Tinnevelly.	Sub Collr of Cuddapah	Sub Collr of Cuddapah Ag Dist Judge Coimbatore
" F C Fobas	Sub Secretary & Ag Secy Bd Revs.	Secretary Board of Revenue	Secretary Bd of Revenue
" H W Reys	Sub Collr & Ag Collr of Madura	Addl sub Collr of North Arcot	Commissioner of Salt Revenue
" J C Hughesdon	Small Causes Judge Salem	Small Causes Judge Madurah & Bd	Small Causes Judge Madura
" J H Smith	Sub Collr of Bellary & Ag Dist Judge Tinnevelly	Sub Collr Bellary Sub Collr Malabar & Ag sub Collr Tinnevelly	Sub Collector of Malabar
" W H Elmsley	Sub Collr of Malabar & Ag sub Collr of Tinnevelly.	Sub Collr Bellary	Sub Collector of Bellary
H. Sd A. Goodrich	------	Acting Collector Vizag.	Do
H. Wigram	------	Acting Judge Cuddal	Do

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Memo on No 3368: Proceedings of the Bd of Rev. dated 1. August 1878 Inv: No 7785

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I This paper relates to a claim preferred by Mr Bliss, Commissioner of Salt Revenue, to the difference between the allowances of a Sub Collector, and those of an acting Collector from the date of his resumption of duty in last year, on return from Europe, to the date on which he assumed charge of the office of Commissioner of Salt Revenue

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4. Her Bliss refers to Famine Gd. 21 May 1878 No 1160 which embodies despatches from the Govt of India and the Secretary of State on the subject.

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7. Further reasons in support of his claim are given by Mr Bliss in paras 11 & 12 of his letter. In para 11 he states that "Mr H.J. Stokes while still a Sub Collector and employed in the Madura district on special duty was paid either as Collector or as acting Collector" and that "Mr Price also while employed in the Bellary district as Additional Sub-Collector was similarly remunerated

enumerated."

8. The Order in the case of Mr. Price was as follows:-

"The Governor in Council directs that as it is deemed of importance to retain Mr. J. F. Price's services for the present in the famine stricken districts, that officer shall, while so employed, draw pay at the rate claimable by an Acting Collector of a district to which position his junior Mr. Conyngham has this day been appointed."

G.O. 20 Nov. 1876 No 2084 Fin. Dept.

In August 1877 the Government appointed Mr. H. J. Stokes Acting District

G.O. 26 Sept. 1877 Nos 1275. 1276 Pub Dept.
" 26 Oct. " —" 1415 —" —"

District Judge, Trichinopoly to famine duty in the Madura district and permitted him to draw, while so employed, the pay and allowances of an Acting Collector. The Government of India, to whom this order was reported, observed that if Mr. Stokes "would under ordinary circumstances have been appointed an Acting Judge or Acting Collector elsewhere on his relief by the substantive incumbent at Trichinopoly, then he is entitled to receive the proposed allowances while employed on famine duty. But if he lost his Acting judgeship under

under the ordinary operation of the rules of the service; and if his standing would not have secured him another such Acting appointment under ordinary circumstances, he should not receive the proposed allowances."

This letter of the Government of India was communicated to the Accountant General with the remark that Mr Stokes would, under ordinary circumstances, have been appointed an Acting Judge or Collector on being relieved at Trichinopoly.

The accompanying Home Statement shews the position of men above and below Mr Bliss

(1) When he went home

(2) when he returned

(3) when he was appointed Comr of Salt Revenue.

(1) When he went home Mr Bliss was acting Collector and of the five men above him one was acting Judge, a second acting Collector, a third acting Sec Bd Revenue & two were Sub Collectors.

(2) When he returned one of these five was still acting as Judge one was Secretary Rev Bd & three were Sub Collectors.

(3) When he was appointed Salt Commissioner one only of the five was promoted (acting)

In regard to the men below Mr Bliss his immediate juniors were

in the sub Collector grade throughout (the Smaller exception in short time acting Judge when Mr Bliss went): not two men below them against whom Godrich & Wigram who have been exceptionally fortunate in their promotion, were acting in the grades Collector & Judge, during the time Mr Bliss was in England.

Mr Bliss obtained his permanent promotion of any thing before his return. He was made Sall Commr just when he would in ordinary course have got his acting Collectorate.

Mr Bliss, tho' an acting Collector when he went home last, on his return in June 1877 has necessarily lost his acting promotion. His case therefore does not come under the terms of the G.I., orders in reference to the 1867 Leo & Price

C. P. Leo 1/78 R 15/11/78 RC 20 Leo 1/78 R 25/1/78

Home

Respecting the Bliss

Revenue Department.

No. 1993.

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To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

Dept. of Rev. Agri. and Commerce

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Dispatch from Govt of India to Secy of State 24th January 1878, No 4.

Dispatch from Secy of State to Govt of India 21st February 1878, No 15.

Endorsement of the Govt of India, P. W. Dept dated 1st May 1878, No 1262 (Statistics)

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