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of the military pension office in charge of
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REPORT

ON THE

INSPECTION OF PENSION AND FAMILY PAYMENT
OFFICES, MADRAS PRESIDENCY,

BY THE

SUPERINTENDENT OF FAMILY PAYMENTS AND PENSIONS

DURING THE YEAR 1896-97.

Report on the Inspection of Pension and Family Payment Offices, Madras Presidency, by the Superintendent of Family Payments and Pensions during the year 1896-97.

Station inspected and number of pensioners and family certificate-holders.								
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Remarks.
Officer in charge.	Date of inspection.	Books maintained in Pension Offices agreeably to para. 133, Pension Code, and Superintendent's Circular No. 7 of 29th July 1892.	Books maintained in Family Payment Offices agreeably to para. 165, Family Payment Code.	State of cash accounts.	Native Military Pensioners' Employment Register.			
Tumkur.								
Number of pensioners .. 116	Mr. I. N. Mir	7th July 1896.	Check Register.—Bound in one volume. Heirs to property and guarantees not entered. Some new entries not carefully made. Late corps left out. Pension Certificates.—The entry of the names of guarantees is not complete and they are not signed by the officer in charge. The entry of registered heirs to property has not been made. Other books—are all carefully kept.	Registers carefully kept, but not in a convenient form for references or record.	Treasury account.	Books carefully kept. Number employed, 2. Number wanting employment—none, unsatisfactory.	The work is practically well done, but owing to the reduced capitation grant under recent orders it is not possible to keep an efficient clerk for the special work.	
Number of family certificate-holders .. 2	Kamal-ud-dien Ali Khan, Extra Assistant Commissioner.							
Total .. 118								
Mysore.								
Number of pensioners .. 142	M.R.Ry. D. K. Venkatasvaratha	10th July 1896.	Check Register.—The payments have been entered in wrong spaces, those for 1896-97 being opposite 1895-96. Heirs not entered except in a few cases. Guarantees not entered at all. Pension Certificates.—Carefully kept in files. Entry of guarantees not carried out at all. Registered heirs to property not entered. This has been ordered. Pension certificates are not dated nor signed by the officer in charge. Other books—are carefully kept.	Do.	Do.	Books maintained. Number employed, 52. Number wanting employment—none, very satisfactory. The number having increased by seven during the last year.	Work is practically well done, but a special permanent clerk on suitable pay is required to ensure exact adherence to regulations.	
Number of family certificate-holders .. 16	Iyengar Avaragal, Deputy Commissioner.							
Total .. 158								
French Rocks.								
Number of pensioners .. 123	M.R.Ry. P. Panchanatha Rao, Sub-Divisional Officer.	11th July 1896.	Check Register.—Complete and well kept but heirs to property and guarantees not entered. Pension Certificates.—The entry of names of property not entered. Registered heirs to signature of officers in charge omitted. Other books—well and carefully kept.	Books in connection with family payments are carefully kept with the exception of registers of family payments and acquaintance roll, which does not show the regiment or wing, nor could it be readily seen where they begin or stop.	Do.	Maintained. Number employed, 8. unsatisfactory; the number employed being less than last year.	The work is practically fairly well done, but the pay of the clerk under recent orders is poor and fluctuates.	
Number of family certificate-holders .. 21								
Total .. 144								
Coimbatore District.								
Number of pensioners .. 133	M.R.Ry. S. Soondaraja Iyengar Avaragal, Deputy Collector.	14th July 1896.	Check Register.—Generally carefully kept, guarantees not entered. Heirs to property entered Pension Certificates—should be carefully compared with the check registers. Other books—are correct and carefully kept.	Correctly kept ..	Do.	Maintained. Number employed, 59 and 6 Chelsea pensioners. Number wanting employment, 2, satisfactory.	The work is very well done and reflects credit on the officer in charge and the establishment.	
Number of family certificate-holders .. 9								
Total .. 142								
Malabar District.								
Number of pensioners .. 128	M.R.Ry. V. Rajagopala Chari Avaragal, B.A., B.L., Rai Bahadur, Treasury Deputy Collector.	15th and 16th July 1896.	Check Register.—Well and carefully kept. Heirs entered but not guarantees. Pension Certificates—are kept in taluks where people are paid. Entry of guarantees and registered heirs to property correctly made. Other books—are all correctly kept.	Carefully kept. ..	Do.	Register very well kept. Number employed, 39. Number wanting employment, 4, satisfactory.	The work is very well and carefully done under the supervision of the Treasury Deputy Collector.	
Number of family certificate-holders .. 30								
Total .. 158								
Salem District.								
Number of pensioners .. 602	M.R.Ry. P. S. Gunapathy Iyer Avaragal, B.A., Treasury Deputy Collector.	18th July 1896.	Check Registers—are generally well kept. Heirs and guarantees not entered. Entry of guarantees and registered heirs to property in pension certificates mostly correct. Other books—correctly kept.	Well and correctly maintained.	Do.	Number employed, 91. Number wanting employment none registered; unsatisfactory, being a decrease since last year, the percentage being much below the average.	The work is generally fairly well done, but more careful attention is required to all regulations and orders.	
Number of family certificate-holders .. 261								
Total .. 863								
Kolar District.								
Number of pensioners .. 206	Mr. V. R. Thiragaraja Iyer Avaragal, B.A., Treasury Assistant Commissioner.	20th July 1896.	Check Register.—The volume is somewhat broken. Heirs and guarantees not entered; otherwise practically well kept; corrections, &c., to be initiated. Pension Certificates.—Those of taluks are kept in Taluk offices. These are not well kept. In many the heirs and guarantees are not filled in. Other books—are correctly kept and up to date.	Register of family payments and acquaintance roll is well and carefully maintained.	Correct ..	Number employed, 9. Number wanting employment, none shown, not at all satisfactory, the number employed being less than last year and being far below the average.	The work is practically fairly well done, but more attention is required to orders and regulations and to scriptory neatness.	
Number of family certificate-holders .. 18								
Total .. 224								

during the year 1896-97—*cont.*

Station inspected and number of pensioners and family certificate holders.		Officer in charge.	Date of inspection.	Books maintained in Pension Office agreeably to para. 133, Pension Code, and Superintendent's Circular No. 7 of 29th July 1892.	Books maintained in Family Payment Offices agreeably to para. 160, Family Payment Code.	State of cash accounts.	Native Military Pensioners' Employment Register.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Bowringpett.								
Number of pensioners ..	54	Mr. P. Sitarajah.	21st July 1896.	Check Register—in one volume. Guarantees and heirs not entered. Payments have been entered in the wrong column and names interpolated. Pension Certificates.—Entry of guarantees want completing and verifying those of other stations being erased and new ones entered. Registered heirs to property generally entered, require verification. Other books—carefully and fairly well kept.	Neatly and well kept, but the register of family payments and family payments roll omits the regiment or wing in which the family certificates are granted.	Correct	Number employed, 20. Number wanting employment, 16. People are afraid to go to Gold Fields on account of cholera.	The work has been practically well done, but a better paid clerk is required. The Deputy Assistant Commissioner in charge is very busy and has to rely on his clerks to follow the regulations, who does his best, but a special allowance is required as owing to the neighbourhood of the Gold Fields, pensioners of all classes are constantly coming and going.
Also 34 Chelsea and other pensioners.	57							
Total ..	111							
Bangalore District.								
Number of pensioners ..	331	M.R.Ry. M. Rama Rao.	27th July 1896.	Check Register—is in an inconvenient shape, the ranks are all mixed up with each other and require correction. Heirs and guarantees not entered; require careful attention. Pension Certificates.—The entry of guarantees and registered heirs to property is omitted in the majority of cases. Other books—carefully kept, but acquittance register of 1st and 8th class pensioners and letter book are not maintained.	Register of family payments and liability statements are correctly kept though the form is an inconvenient one and omits to give the regiment and wing of the granters of family certificates. Monthly report of non-payment of family certificates and R. T. R. registers not kept.	Do.	Maintained. Number employed, 31. Number wanting employment, 4.	The work is fairly well done, but the office is in want of experienced clerks on fixed pay to ensure careful attention to orders and regulations.
Number of pensioners ..	2,752	Garrison Serjeant Major R. Rowland, Retired List.	28th and 29th July 1896.	Check Register—are well and carefully kept and complete. Entries of payments to be made carefully according to orders of Pay Examiner's Circular No. 2645-P., dated 2nd February 1895. First entries all made in wrong columns against 1894-95. Pension Certificates—well and carefully kept. Entry of guarantees complete and registered heirs to property carefully filled in. Other books—carefully and well maintained.	Well and carefully kept.	Very well and neatly kept. Balances found correct.	Number employed, 221. Number wanting employment, 38. The number employed is below the average and requires improving.	Mr. Rowland has much improved this office and will doubtless soon make it as good as he left his late office at Secunderabad.
Total ..	3,808							
Bangalore.								
Number of pensioners ..	2,752							
Number of family certificate-holders ..	1,056							
Total ..	3,808							
Chingleput District.								
Number of pensioners ..	242	Mr. Mir Sultan Mohi-ud-din Sahib Bahadur, Treasury Deputy Collector.	24th September 1896.	Check Register—in one volume rather too large, is well and carefully kept and complete as to guarantees. Careful attention is required to Pay Examiner's Circular No. 2645-P., dated 2nd February 1895. Pension Certificates—well kept. Guarantees and registered heirs carefully entered. Other books—well and carefully kept.	Carefully kept; neatly copied.	Treasury Account.	Number employed, 30. Number wanting employment, none registered. The number employed has decreased and is not satisfactory.	The office is very well and carefully supervised and worked. The books are all well and carefully kept, except as to scrip- tory features.
Number of pensioners ..	101	Mr. Saivid Kardar Bahadur, Treasury Deputy Collector.	28th September 1896.	Check Register.—The entries have been made irregularly as to succession of numbers among Privates, otherwise very well and carefully kept. The provisions of Pay Examiner's Circular No. 2645-P., dated 2nd February 1895, should be carefully followed. Pension Certificates—are well kept. Guarantees and registered heirs to property are carefully entered. Other books—also are well and carefully kept.	Carefully and correctly kept.	Do.	Number employed, 18. Number wanting employment, 11, satisfactory, and up to average; but there is a decrease of 4 since last year.	The office is very well and carefully supervised and worked.
Number of pensioners ..	255	M.R.Ry. V. Jagannatha Rao Panthulu Garu, Rai Bahadur, Treasury Deputy Collector.	29th September 1896.	Check Register—are all very badly kept. Entries made on lines and wrong dates of payment given, many going down to 1898. Registered heirs to property only partially entered, guarantees not at all. No attention has been paid to Pay Examiner's Circular Memorandum No. 2645-P., dated 2nd February 1895. Pension Certificates.—Those received from other stations have not been corrected as to station, guarantees, &c., only one entered as a rule. Registered heirs to property generally entered, should be verified and corrected. Other books—correctly kept, but the register of 1st and 8th class pensioners is not kept except for Ongole.	Do.	Do.	Carefully kept. Number employed, 38. Number wanting employment, 13. Is satisfactory as to average and shows an increase of 11 since last year.	The work has been care- lessly and badly done without proper supervision. The Head Clerk was very old and has since been pensioned.
Number of pensioners ..	364	Mr. J. R. Combes, Treasury Deputy Collector.	26th October 1896.	Check Register—are very well and carefully kept and written up, but guarantees not entered. Pension Certificates—very well and carefully kept. Guarantees and registered heirs to property generally complete. Other books—also are very well kept.	Very well and carefully maintained.	Do.	Well kept. Number employed, 33. Number wanting employment 4 is below average percentage, not satisfactory.	This office is in specially good order. The clerks do their work well. Mr. Combes gives the work efficient supervision.
Number of pensioners ..	364							
Number of family certificate-holders ..	80							
Total ..	424							
Cuddalore District.								
Number of pensioners ..	255							
Number of family certificate-holders ..	16							
Total ..	271							
Nellore District.								
Number of pensioners ..	255							
Number of family certificate-holders ..	16							
Total ..	271							
Cuddalore District.								
Number of pensioners ..	364							
Number of family certificate-holders ..	80							
Total ..	424							

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Station inspected and number of pensioners and family certificate holders.	1	Officer in charge	Date of inspection.	3	4	Books maintained in Pension Offices agreeably to para. 133, Pension Code, and Superintendent's Circular No. 7 of 29th July 1892.	Books maintained in Family Payment Offices agreeably to para. 165, Family Payment Code.	5	6	Native Military Pensioners' Employment Register.	Remarks.
		2								7	8
Madura District.											
Number of pensioners ..	509	M.R. Ry. E. Sreenivasa Chetty	27th October 1896.			Check Registers—are generally well and carefully kept, but the guarantees are not entered, to be done.	The register of family payments is very well kept.		Treasury Account.	Books well kept. Number employed, 85. Number wanting employment, 16, satisfactory.	The work is generally efficiently and well done and the books carefully kept. The clerks are efficient and do the work carefully and neatly.
Number of family certificate-holders ..	61	Avargal, Treasury Deputy Collector.				Pension Certificates—well and carefully kept. Guarantees generally complete, a few wanting. Registered heirs to property generally complete. Other books—also are properly kept.	The report of non-payment and the liability statement require more care.				
Total ..	570										
Tinnevely District.											
Number of pensioners ..	482	M.R. Ry. V. Subbulay Avargal, M.A., Treasury Deputy Collector.	28th October 1896.			Check Registers—very well kept. The guarantees are all entered up to date.	All very well kept and neat.		Do.	Books very well kept. Number employed, 99. Number wanting employment, 24, an increase of 13 and is satisfactory.	The work generally reflects much credit on the officer in charge and his clerks.
Number of family certificate-holders ..	127					Pension Certificates—well and carefully kept. Guarantees and registered heirs to property complete.					
Total ..	609					Other books—well and carefully kept.					
Trichinopoly.											
Number of pensioners ..	1,218	Mr. Stephen Ponticos (pensioned Sub-Conductor, Ordnance Department).	29th October 1896.			Check Registers—are very well kept and complete in all respects.	All books well and carefully kept.		Books well kept. Balances found correct.	Number employed, 183. Number wanting employment, 80.	Mr. Ponticos takes much interest in his work and does it well and has a good office.
Number of family certificate-holders ..	135					Pension Certificates—kept in good order, guarantees generally correct, require verification and new ones entered on transfer. Registered heirs to property generally correct.				Books kept in a very good form. The number employed has increased by 19, which is very satisfactory.	
Total ..	1,353					Other books—very well and properly kept.					

Vellore.								
Number of pensioners ..	2,244	Mr. H. Gibbs, late Army Schoolmaster.	26th November 1896.	Check Registers—are well kept. The entries are correct and up to date. Pension Certificates—guarantees and registered heirs correctly entered and well kept. Other books—also are carefully and well kept.	Well and carefully kept in all respects.	Books well kept. Balances found correct.	Books well and carefully kept. Number employed, 242. Number wanting employment, 16, the average is low, but employment is scarce locally.	This group is in very good order in all respects.
Number of family certificate-holders ..	637							
Total ..	2,881							
Chittoor.								
Number of pensioners ..	183	Do.	Do.	Check Registers—well and carefully kept. Provisions of Pay Examiner's Circular No. 2645-P., dated 2nd February 1895, to be carefully noted in all minor details. Pension Certificates—well kept. Guarantees and registered heirs to property correct.	Do.	Do.	Number employed, 47. Number wanting employment, satisfactory.	
Number of family certificate-holders ..	25							
Total ..	208							
Arcot.								
Number of pensioners ..	357	Conductor R. W. Ward, D.P.W., Retired List.	27th November 1896.	Check Registers—are well and carefully kept, but entries should be made exactly as laid down in Pay Examiner's Circular Memo. No. 2645-P., dated 2nd February 1895. Pension Certificates—well and carefully kept. Guarantees and registered heirs to property complete. Other books—well and carefully kept.	Well and neatly kept.	Well and neatly kept. Balances found correct.	Books well and neatly kept. Number employed, 38. Number wanting employment, 8. Many of the pensioners being very old are unsuited for employment.	Mr. Ward has only taken over the group recently. The office is in good order and the work is generally well and carefully done.
Number of family certificate-holders ..	65							
Total ..	422							
Arni.								
Number of pensioners ..	346	Do.	Do.	Check Registers—in three volumes well and carefully kept. Pension Certificates—well and carefully kept, guarantees and registered heirs to property entered. Other books—correctly kept.	Do.	Do.	Maintained. Number employed, 22. Number wanting employment, 7. The number employed shows a decrease of 4 since last year and is not satisfactory.	
Number of family certificate-holders ..	75							
Total ..	421							

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Bellary.							
Number of pensioners .. 700	Conductor W. Gerard, Ordnance Department, Retired List.	18th January 1897.	<i>Check Registers</i> —have been bound into five convenient volumes since last inspection and are well and neatly kept. Guarantees and heirs to property being carefully registered. <i>Pension Certificates</i> —complete and well kept. <i>Other books</i> —are neatly and carefully kept up to date.	All the family payment registers are correctly kept up to date.	Cash books and accounts are kept in proper form. Cash balances were counted and found correct.	Books well kept. Number employed, 80. Number wanting employment, 7. The number has decreased by 8 since last year. Instructions have been given to make every effort to secure employment for all pensioners who wish for it.	The office reflects credit on Mr. Gerard who has only been appointed since a few months and his establishment of clerks.
Secunderabad.							
Number of pensioners. 2,727	Mr. R. Raymond, Pensioned Sub-Conductor, Army Staff.	20th and 21st January 1897.	<i>Check Registers</i> —are practically well kept, but constant attention is required to Pay Examiner's Circular Memo. No. 2645-P., dated 2nd February 1896, in connection therewith to ensure entries forming a perfect record. <i>Pension Certificates</i> —are carefully kept and complete. <i>Other books</i> —are very well kept up to date.	The family payment books are very well and carefully kept.	The cash books are carefully kept on a very good system. The cash balances were examined and found correct.	Books very well kept. Number employed, 626. Number wanting employment, 141. The number has largely increased, very satisfactory.	Mr. Raymond who was only appointed during the year has acquired a good knowledge of his work and his office generally reflects much credit on himself and his establishment.

Masulipatam.

Number of pensioners .. 1,068
Number of family certificate-holders .. 76
Total .. 1,144

Mr. Robert Snugg (Retired Inspector of Police).	22nd January 1897.	<i>Check Registers</i> —require a more careful attention to the provisions of Pay Examiner's Circular Memo. No. 2645-P., dated 2nd February 1896, to ensure uniformity and accuracy as a record, but are practically complete and well kept. <i>Other books and Pension Certificates</i> —are well and carefully kept.	The family payments are correctly made and the books are well kept.	The cash books are kept in proper form and the balance was correct.	Books carefully kept. Number employed, 66. Number wanting employment, 11. The number has decreased by 3 since last year. Satisfactory.
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Guntur.

Number of pensioners .. 273
Number of family certificate-holders .. 23
Total .. 296

Do.	Do.	<i>Check Registers</i> —are carelessly written up, entries being made in the wrong spaces; directions given to rectify this and to comply accurately with instructions given in Pay Examiner's Circular Memo. No. 2645-P., dated 2nd February 1896. <i>Other books and Pension Certificates</i> —are fairly well kept.	The family payment books are carefully kept.	The cash books are kept in proper form and balances were correct.	Books properly kept. Number employed, 37. Number wanting employment, 8. Increased by 9 since last year.
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Mr. Snugg does his work carefully, but I consider that he has too much travelling to do; hence he is not able to give sufficient personal supervision to the details of the work of his office, more attention is required to orders and regulations.

Bezwada.

Number of pensioners .. 366
Number of family certificate-holders .. 28
Total .. 394

Do.	23rd January 1897.	<i>Check Registers</i> —require to be kept with more scriptural neatness and accurately in accordance with Pay Examiner's Circular. Last payment on account of deceased pensioners is omitted. Ordered to be entered. <i>Pension Certificates and other books</i> —carefully kept.	The family payment books are carefully and well kept.	Do.	Books well kept. Number employed, 76 as last year. Number wanting employment, 6.
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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Rajahmundry.							
Number of pensioners .. 746	Mr. B. Weaver,	23rd January 1897.	<i>Check Registers</i> —have been carefully kept up to date, but more accuracy is required in following the instructions contained in Pay Examiner's Circular Memo. No. 2645-P., dated 2nd February 1895, as well as scriptory neatness.	The family payment books are carefully kept in proper form complete to date.	The cash books are well kept and the balances were counted and found correct.	Books well kept. Number employed, 140. Number wanting employment, 67. The number has increased by 8 since last year.	The work of the group is very well done by Mr. Weaver who has a thorough knowledge of his duties. His clerks are chiefly pensioned Native non-commissioned officers who do their work very well. Other Pension Paymasters would do well in following his example in employing pensioners as clerks.
Number of family certificate-holders .. 76	late Sub-Commissionariat Department.						
Total .. 822							
Ellore.							
Number of pensioners .. 743	Do.	Do.	<i>Check Registers</i> —are up to date and complete. <i>Pension Certificates</i> —are carefully completed and kept.	The family payments are properly made and books well kept.	Do.	Books well kept. Number employed, 57. Number wanting employment, 61. The number employed has fallen from 62 to 57 owing to the East Coast Railway works having gone northwards.	
Number of family certificate-holders .. 85							
Total .. 828							
Samulcottah.							
Number of pensioners .. 220	Do.	Do.	<i>Check Registers</i> —are practically well kept and up to date. <i>Pension Certificates</i> —are properly kept.	Do.	The cash books are properly kept, balances correct.	Books well kept. Number employed, 27. Number wanting employment, 20. Number has increased by 3 since last year. Satisfactory.	
Number of family certificate-holders .. 21							
Total .. 241							

Vizagapatam and Anakapalle.							
Number of pensioners .. 2,355	Captain T. C. Sherwood, Retired List.	25th January 1897.	<i>Check Registers</i> —have been carefully kept according to regulations and are now complete to date. <i>Pension Certificates</i> —are well kept and guarantees and heirs to property correctly entered. <i>Other books</i> —are correctly maintained.	The family payments are made correctly and the books are very well kept. entered. Instructions given for hand books to be kept to show the same. Cash balances counted and found correct.	The cash books are wanting in neatness and details of amounts entered. The number has increased by 19 since last year.	Books properly maintained. Number employed, 213. Number wanting employment, 9. The number has increased by 19 since last year.	
Number of family certificate-holders .. 683							
Total .. 3,038							
Vizianagram.							
Number of pensioners .. 1,026	Do.	Do.	<i>Check Registers</i> —are well kept and correct to date. <i>Pension Certificates</i> —are carefully preserved, all entries being duly completed.	The family payment books are well kept, but care is wanted to ensure the same name being always spelt in the same way in different places.	The cash books are wanting in neatness. The balances were found correct.	Books well kept, but in bad writing. Number employed, 106. Number wanting employment, 2. The number has increased by 10 since last year.	Much care has been taken by Captain Sherwood to rectify the errors pointed out last year, and the work of the office has been carried on carefully and practically well, but too much time has to be passed in travelling during the month, and the group is too large for the supervision of one officer. All the work is wanting in scriptory neatness.
Number of family certificate-holders .. 232							
Total .. 1,258							
Chicacole.							
Number of pensioners .. 1,636	Do.	Do.	<i>Check Registers</i> —are fairly well kept, but attention is required to Pay Examiner's Circular Memo. No. 2645-P., dated 2nd February 1895. <i>Pension Certificates</i> —are well kept and complete. <i>Other books</i> —require to be kept with more scriptory neatness and care.	Do.	The cash books require to be kept in accordance with the form ordered to instruct with more care. The balances were found correct.	Employment books require more care and to be kept in the form ordered. Number employed, 64. Number wanting employment, 48. The number has increased by 5 since last year.	
Number of family certificate-holders .. 451							
Total .. 2,087							

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From



The Controller of Military Accounts,

Madras Command,

To

The Chief-Secretary to the
Government of Madras.

Madras, the 28th of June 1897.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith a copy of the Inspection Report of the Superintendent of Pensions, Madras, of the Military Pension Officers in the Madras Command-1896-97, and to request that the remarks of the Superintendent with regard to the Kellore Pension Office may be communicated to the Treasury Deputy collector in charge of Pensioners, in view to such steps being taken as will ensure the pension work in that district being more satisfactorily performed.

I have the honor to be

Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Briggs Lieut: Colonel,

Actg. for Controller of Military Accounts

From The Controller of Military Accounts,
Madras Command.

To The Chief Secretary to the
Government of Madras

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