No. 3939.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

LEAVE, &c.

Simla, the 31st October 1881.

READ the following papers regarding the question of the necessity of the presence with the Government of India in Simla of certain Offices under the direct control of the Government of India, which either come up to Simla every year or are permanently located at Simla:—

Office Memorandum in the Department of Finance and Commerce, No. 562, dated 12th May 1881.

Letter from the Director General of the Post Office of India, No. 2498, dated 6th June 1881, and enclosures.

Letter from the Director General of the Post Office of India, No. 2531, dated 7th June

Office Memorandum from the Military Department, No. 205S.-B., dated 9th July 1881, and enclosures.

Office Memorandum in the Department of Finance, No. 2182, dated 4th August 1881.

Office Memorandum from the Military Department, No. 303S.-B., dated 23rd August

Office Memorandum from the Revenue and Agricultural Department, No. 98, dated 7th September 1881.

RESOLUTION.—On full consideration of the circumstances of each Office and of the requirements of the Government of India, the Governor General in Council has decided as follows:—

1st.—The Offices of the Accountant General, Military Department, the Accountant General, Public Works Department, the Surgeon General with the Government of India, the Director General of the Post Office of India, the Director General of Telegraphs in India, the Meteorological Reporter with the Government of India, and the Press Commissioner with the Government of India, shall accompany the Head-Quarters of the Government of India to and from Simla in connection with the Departments to which they are attached; and from next year the Rules in the Simla Allowances Code shall extend to all these officers and the establishments attached to them.

2nd.—The head-quarters of the Director General of the Archæological Survey of India during the hot and rainy seasons are at Simla. There is no extra expense by this arrangement, which is allowed to continue.

3rd.—The Offices of the Inspector General of Ordnance and of the General Superintendent of Horse-Breeding Operations shall in future cease to accompany the Government of India to Simla. The head-quarters of the former will in future be permanently located in Calcutta; and of the latter at Meerut.

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Memorandum from the Public Works Department, No. 806G., dated 10th out.

enclosures.

Office Memorandum from the Foreign Department, No. 1229G.-G., dated 27th June Control of 1881. and enclosures.

No. 1075, dated 23rd July 1881,

4th.—The Offices of—

the Surgeon-General of Her Majesty's Forces in Bengal;

the Sanitary Commissioner with the Government of India;

the Director General of Railways;

the Inspector General of Military Works;

the Examiner of Accounts, Military Works;

the General Superintendent of Operations for the Suppression of Thuggee and Dacoity,

already have their head-quarters permanently located at Simla, and the present arrangements regarding them will continue. Besides these, the Offices of the Commissary General, Bengal, and of the Director of Army Remount Operations shall from next year be permanently located at Simla.

His Excellency in Council has further decided that the rulings in the Resolutions of the Government of India in the Financial Department, No. 1749, dated 4th December, and No. 1884, dated 12th December 1879, shall apply to the clerks of the Office of the Commissary General and of the Director of Army Remount Operations, but that, instead of the benefits of the Resolutions being restricted only to clerks who have hitherto moved with the Head-Quarters of the Government of India to and from Simla, the rules shall be applied to all clerks in permanent employ in those offices on this date; that is to say, any clerk now in permanent employ in either of those offices will be allowed to move his family to or from Simla once at the public expense under the contemporary Simla Allowances Rules, and will in future, subject to the provisions of section 8 of the Pay and Acting Allowances Code, receive throughout the year a personal allowance, equal to two-thirds of the allowances other than travelling allowances, to which he would be entitled under the Simla Allowances Code, if he accompanied the Government of India to and from Simla; but any clerk appointed hereafter to these offices will receive no allowance beyond his sanctioned pay. In modification of the rules of the 4th and 12th December 1879, the Governor General in Council has also decided that any clerk in the Office of the Director General of Railways, who before the date of the establishment of the head-quarters of the office at Simla was in permanent employ in that office, though he had not at any time before accompanied the Head-Quarters of the Government of India to and from Simla, shall be granted the personal allowance to which he would have been entitled if he had previously so accompanied the Government of India.

ORDERED, that this Resolution be communicated to the Home, Revenue and Agricultural, Public Works,*

* With their original papers.

* Foreign, and Military* Departments, the Director General of the Post Office of India, and the Comptroller General; and published in the Gazette of India;

and that the following corrections be made to the Simla Allowances Code:—

RULE 1.—Strike out "Inspector General of Ordnance; and Commissary General."

Add "Director General of the Post Office of India; and Director General of Telegraphs in India."

Offg. Under-Secy. to the Govt. of India.