The present value of the interests of officers coming under "The Civil Service Act, 1866," amounts to forty-five thousand five hundred and sixty-five pounds one shilling and threepence (£45,565 1s. 3d.); being equivalent to 7.707 months' purchase on their pay as a whole for the year ending 30th June, 1872; the total amount on which this value is computed being £31,502 2s. 9d. Consequently, taking the interests of the officers under the Acts of 1858 and 1861 at £243,856 18s. 3d., the present value of the interests of the whole service equals 17.084 months' purchase on their pay for the year ending 30th June, 1872.

The following officers under the Act of 1866 having attained, or who will have attained, the full age of sixty years, not having been ten years in the service, cannot have their interests computed, such cases not being provided for by the Act:—

Bamford, John Dean;
Blackett, John;
Bray, William Bayley;
Dorset, William;
Green, Joshua;
Hickson, William;
Kennedy, James;
Kingdon, Samuel;
Ollivier, John;
Powditch, William;
Rochfort, Singleton;
Sampson, Gerard;
Wakefield, Felix.

For want of necessary information, the interests of the following officers cannot at present be computed:—

Carrington, Nelson; Carrington, Octavius; Heaphy, Charles; Holdsworth, Joseph Godfrey; Northeroft, George Andrew; Stewart, John Tiffin; Thomson, John Turnbull.

Upon completion, I shall have the honor to forward you a Supplementary Return thereof.

Considerable difficulty has been experienced in ascertaining the correct dates of appointment of some officers, more particularly with regard to those who have been in the service of Provincial Governments; it is to be understood that the rights of the officers now valued and the dates of appointment are subject to verification; every care has been taken to prevent error, and in this and in all other respects I have had the cordial co-operation of the heads of Departments.

In two or three instances, officers not having furnished returns, the computations have been worked upon information derived from the heads of their respective Departments.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

CHARLES WHITE,

The Hon. William Gisborne,

Actuary, "Civil Service Act Amendment Act, 1871."

Colonial Secretary, &c.; &c.