

Ecclesiastical (189) Department.

ORDINARY MS.

G.O., No. 89

Dated 25-11-96

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Telegraphing to the Govt of India to reconsider its
~~orders~~ orders in regard to a Scotch Chaplain being
sent to Bengal, and requesting the Secy Chap-
lain, Church of Scotland, to report the names
of Presbyterian British home servants of rank,
with civil & military, at Secunderabad & Bangalore.

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Senior Chaplain,
Church of Scotland,
for favour of early
report.

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Order 303
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2/11/96
For 2 St. George.
5th November 1896

Answered 11 Nov 1896
to 2 St. George
Senior Chaplain

CURRENT No. 286

Telegram.

From The Govt. of India
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SUBJECT.

Requesting that either
the Rev. Mr. Agilvie or
Mr. Stevenson may be made
available for service with a
Scottish regiment in the
Bengal
Presidency.

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CHIEF SECRETARY
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Number 311, ecclesiastical. Correspondence
ending with your number 26
ecclesiastical, dated 8th May
last, regarding insufficient number
of chaplains for Scotch regiments.
Leave of read archibald having
expired government of india are
constrained to renew request.
made in my letter number
103, dated 30th March last, and
trust that Madras government
will now arrange to make
either read ogilvie or Stevenson
available for

Madras 3-11-96

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CURRENT No. 299

From the Senior Chaplain
Church of Scotland
Madras.

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SUBJECT.

Stating, with reference to
~~Endorsement~~ Endorsement No.
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rangement can be made
to set a chaplain free from
present duty to comply with
the request of the Govt. of
India.

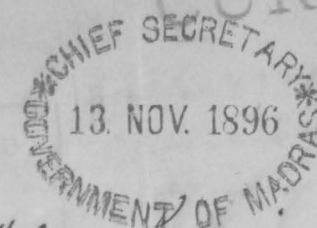
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No 30
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From The Senior Chaplain,
Church of Scotland
Madras.

To The Honble The Chief Secretary,
Govt of Madras.

(Enclosed)

Sir, In reply to your reference to 2263
Eccl. Dept enclosing telegram from
the Govt of India to 311. Eccl. I have
the honor to state that since its receipt
I have made every effort to comply with
the request of the Govt of India, but
deeply regret that I find myself unable
to make any arrangement for setting
another Chaplain free from present
duty, and at the same time in
keeping the work of our Church in
this Presidency in an efficient state.
It has occasionally been possible in
an emergency to spare the Chaplain
of Secunderabad for a few months, by
asking the local Wesleyan Missionary
as a favour to officiate during the
Chaplain's absence, but I regret to report
that on this present occasion the
Missionary is unable to undertake
the work owing to the absence of his
colleague, and consequently the
Chaplain cannot be removed without
the greatest injury being inflicted
on the Church.
In the case of the important
Chaplaincy of Bangalore the injury
done by removal of the Chaplain
would be even greater.
(2) The request put forward by the
Govt of India for the services of a
second Chaplain from our very
small establishment, if acceded to,

will work such irreparable harm upon the Scottish Church in the Madras Presidency that I respectfully and earnestly beg the Excellency The Governor in Council to consider the following facts which bear upon the question.

(a) The Govt of India tests its request on the ground that two Senior Chaplains were appointed in 1859 primarily for military duty, but in my letter of 20th April 1896 No 59 (to which I would beg to draw attention) I showed by extracts from Govt orders (later than those to which Govt of India referred) that the chaplains cannot be maintained, the wants of having been granted for the wants of "all Presbyterians in Public Employment" (vide letter from India Office to Governor General dated London 9th Dec 1863.)

(b) That in this view the Govt of India has long concurred, is amply proved by the aid which has been given towards the Building of Churches where these additional chaplains were stationed, and by the length of time these civil Chaplains have existed.

Bombay & Secunderabad have had Chaplains for 30 years. The Govt of India during all that time has respected its own declaration that "a Church once built, a Chaplain cannot be removed. He is no longer available in case of more pressing wants being shown elsewhere" (despatch from Sec. to Sec. 20 Sept 1869)

(c) By the temporary removal of Mr. J. H. von (G.O. 24 Oct 95 No 79) to do duty with the Royal Scots at Mandalay, the total strength of our small establishment has been reduced 25 per cent, leaving only three Chaplains for three stations, - a state of matters which leaves us wholly unprepared in case of the illness of any of the Staff & makes it quite impossible to arrange for furlough as it becomes due.

Sirring that the Govt of India & the

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Govt of Madras on a former occasion - when
delay occurred in filling a vacancy -
recognised the inadequacy of three Chaplains
for the needs of the Presidency and decided
that in fairness to the other Chaplains "a
fourth Chaplain should be appointed" (G.O.
Madras 16 April 1873 No 81) I have confidence
in representing how entirely inadequate
would be a staff of only two, as would be
the core of the request of the Govt of India
be complied with now. The work of
our Church will be completely paralysed
if another Chaplain is sent from the
Presidency to Bengal.

(d) In connection with this matter of the
paucity of Scots Chaplains, the authorities
of the Church of Scotland have
recently (July 96) approached the Secretary
of State for India and in their representations
to him have stated their willingness to send
out Clergymen to do temporary duty with
Regiments of the Govt of India as may be
employed from such periods as may be
necessary. The deputations promised
of State gave a cordial hearing, & promised
to forward their representations to the
Govt of India.

Under these circumstances I have no doubt
whatever that the Govt of India will avail
itself of this offer on the Church's part. The
Church would immediately send out as
many temporary Chaplains as may be
required; and by this means our
small establishment in India, which
is already too small for ordinary
needs, will be saved from the paralysis
now threatening.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedt Servt -
Wm. F. Archibald
Senior Chaplain.

Madras.
11th Nov. 96

Scotch Chaplains

Ecel Cts 286 + 299



Hon. Mr. Brose. C. J. Esq.
H. G. the Governor.

* out of the three
on duty in these
Madras, Bangalore
& Secunderabad.

For Orders

In its telegram of the 2nd instant India intimates that it is constrained to renew its request for the services of another Scotch Chaplain for appointment to a Scotch regiment in the Bengal Presidency.

In ref. thereto, the Senior Chaplain, Church of Scotland, regrets that he is unable to make any arrangement for setting a chaplain free.

He states that the Wesleyan Missionary at Secunderabad is not able on this occasion to perform the Chaplain's duties there as he has done, at times, before, as a favour. To remove the Chaplain from Bangalore would cause an even greater injury than in the case of Secunderabad.

Mr. Archibald then proceeds to submit for consideration certain statements in connection with the duties of Scotch Chaplains in India. He points out that by the withdrawal last year of the Rev. Mr. Heron for duty with the Royal Scots at Mandalay the establishment was reduced to three chaplains, stationed at Madras, Secunderabad, and Bangalore. If one of these three be taken the work of the Scotch Church in the Presidency will be completely paralyzed.

In conclusion, he states that the authorities of the Church of Scotland at home so recently as July last informed the Secretary of State of their willingness to send out clergy men to do temporary duty with troops in India, and that his Lordships promised to forward their representation to the Govt of India.

In regard to the general question of the normal employment

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Employment of Scotch Chaplains
in India attention is invited
to the papers printed inf. O. N° 25
d/8th May 1896.

It will be seen that the Senior
Chaplain Endeavoured to combat
the assertion of the Govt of India
that Scotch regiments had the
first claim on the services of
Scotch chaplains.

page 8 para 11

From Eccl Consultations d/12th April 1859, it will be seen that
the Secretary of State considered the
Establishment of Scotch Chaplains
insufficient, when, in addition
to the duties at the Presidency Town,
there are Scottish regiments to
which they are required to attend.

In para 4 of India's Resolu-
tion inf. O. N° 394 Eccl d/22nd
December 1859, it is stated that
Scotch chaplains will only be
appointed to a Civil Station
in the event of there being no
Scotch regiment without one;
and in para 2 of India's
letter in f. O. N° 135, Eccl d/9th
June 1863, it is stated that as the
opinion of Her Majesty's
Govt that the Scotch Chaplains
must be regarded as pri-
marily available for service
with the army.

Again in para 5 of f. O. N° 212,
d/5th Sept 1863, we find the
Govt authorizing the transfer
to the Presidency Town of a
Scotch Chaplain "unless
his services should be reqd.
with a Scotch regiment in
Bengal or elsewhere". And
in the same para the Govt refers
to the claim of a Scotch
regiment

regiment to the services of
a chaplain no matter to
what Presidency he belongs

Then in para 2 of the
Secy of State's despatch printed
with f. O. N° 25 Eccl d/9th
February 1864, we find it stated
that the Establishment of
Scotch Chaplains was in-
tended to provide for the
wants of all the Presbyterians
in public Employment in
India, including soldiers,
to whatever regiment they
may belong.

In f. O. N° 29 Eccl d/11th
February 1864, it was decided
to ask India to give the
services of a Bengal Chaplain
for employment temporary
with the 21st North British
Fusiliers in this Presidency.
In its reply in f. O. N° 84 Eccl
d/13th April 1864, India in-
timated that it could not
give a Chaplain, but that,
in the circumstances, it would
be quite proper to withdraw
one of the Chaplains from
Secunderabad or Bangalore
for duty with the regiment.

Attention is invited
to the remarks in para
2 of India's letter inf. O.
N° 83 Eccl d/8th April 1868.

The Rev^d M. Archibald
depends very considerably
on the statement of the Secy
of State already referred

referred to that Scotch
Chaplains are intended
to administer to the wants
of all the Presbyterians in
public employment in India

It will be seen from
para 4 of Indras' letter
info. N. 83 Ecclaps. April
1888, that Presbyterian
British born servants

of foot, Civil and Military,
are what is intended.
But Mr. Archibald gives
no figures showing the
number of that class
who are ministered to
by the Scotch Chaplains
at Secunderabad and
Bangalore respectively.

Orders are requested
whether, before any reply
is sent to India, the
Senior Chaplain may
be directed to obtain
these particulars by
telegraph and submit
them to Govt.

J.D.B.
14/11/6

Ecc. No. 286 + 299.

para 2. of the S. of L. Letter
d. 20. Mar. 96. no 103. printed
at p. 3. of S.O. 25. 26. 1cc.
d. 8. May 96 (at Flag D)

Flag D.

The three Senior Chaplains of
the Church of Scotland, who were
originally appointed by the Despatch
from the Honble Ch. of Directors,
d. 12. Nov. 1813 & the 3 Senior
Chaplains appointed in the Despatch of
15th. Apr. 1822 were intended
for the 3 Presiding Towns alone,
~~subject to~~ ^{under} very special circumstances.
(vide para 3 of Resolution of the
26th Nov. 1857. printed at p.
6. of S.O. 25 + 26 Ecc. dated 8th
May. 96 at Flag B)

In his Despatch no 2. of Jan
31. 1857 the Secy. of State sanctioned
a permanent addition of 7
Presbyterian Chaplains to the
Establishments in the proportion
of 3 to Bengal, 2 to Madras &
2 to Bombay at salaries of
Rs 500 per mensem each. (para
3) In this way the Establishments
of the 3 presidencies were
raised to 5, 4 & 4 respectively
(para 5), but it was laid
down that it shd. be in the
power of Govt. to make use
of the services of all the
Chaplains in any part of India

without ref. to the Presby. to
wh. they had been app'd., accordg.
to the exigencies of the public
service (para 6) This increase in
estab^t appears to have been
made to a large extent in
consideration of the requirements
of Scottish Regts. (paras. 2 & 4)

In para 1 of the Resolution
of 25. Nov. 59
(already quoted above (printed in the
J.O. at Flag B.) the new Chaplains
were designated "Asst. Chaplains
of the Church of Scotland" &
in para 4. of the same Resolution,
it was laid down that their
services were to be held avail-
able in the first instance for
duty with Scottish Regts. &
that they wd. only be app'd.
to a Civil Station if there was
no Scottish regt. without a
minister. Even when app'd. to
a Civil Station it was to be
an understood condition that as
Asst. Chaplains' services were
available for duty with a
Scottish Regt. whenever req'd.

The term "Civil Station" ^{is}
not clear. Apparently it is used
oppositely ~~to mean~~ ^{to mean} a station, military or civil,
as ~~the term was a Scottish regt.~~

at wh. there is not a
Scottish Regt.

The point that the services
of the 2 Asst. Chaplains ^{in this Presby.} ~~there~~
to be considered available
primarily for ^{duty} service with Scottish
Regts. in whatever Presby.
situated, was clearly enunciated
in J.O. of the 6th. Sep. 1863.
no 202. para 5. (Flag. K)

In his Despatch of 9th
Flag. C. Dec. 1863. no 21. the Secy. of
State however, held the view
that the permanent Sub. Sanctions
in Despatch no 3. of 31. Jan. 59
was intended to provide for the
wants of "all Presbyterians in
public employments in India,
including Mdeirs, to whatever Regts.
they may belong." (para 2) The
circumstances under wh. temporary
transfers of Asst. Chaplains fr.
one Presby. to another might
be made were defined in para
6. of that Despatch.

It is submitted that the
rule laid down in para
2. of the Despatch last referred
to superseded the old rule
as to the liability of Asst.

Chaplains to serve primarily with
Scottish Regts, and allowed the
requirements of these Regts. to be
taken into consideration in deciding
whether the expenses of public
service ^{might} require the temporary
transfer of an Asst Chaplain
fr. one Presdy. to another.

Attention is directed
to the quotation from the Despatch
to the Secy of State from the
Gov^r Genl. no 7. D. 25 Sep. 59
at Flag B. (Ch. 8. of G.O. 25.26
Sec. 8. 8th May 96) There are
Scottish Churches at both Bangalore
& Secunderabad, and there seems
to be no reason why the G.O.
should not "as a rule" not lay off to
the practice of giving allowances
to Clergymen provided by the Scottish
Presbyterian Church for the service
of their community in India"
as far as the Scottish Regts.
in the North are concerned.

The position is as follows
in the North are concerned.

It is submitted therefore ^{that in view of}
the Rev^d Mr. Archibald's strong
objection against a further nomination
of the Madras Establishment

as well as of other public servants

India's order is very per-
emptory, but they must be
asked to reconsider it on
the grounds that it was ruled
in 1853 that the establishment
is intended to provide for
all Presbyterians in public
employment, that, as they
themselves have stated, a
chaplain cannot be removed
for a station after a church
has been built there, & that
churches have been built at
all the 3 stations where Scottish
Chaplains are posted now, &
that it seems ^{probable} ~~probable~~ ^{that}
more could be had with the
practice of paying all revenues
to the ~~discharge~~ ^{discharge} of the Scottish
Church. whom the General
Assembly are ready to supply

In this we are bound the
Parsons Chaplain and be told
that the number of Presbyterians
British born servants of Govt
Civil & Military at Bangalore
& Secunderabad. We shall need this information soon
A.H. 24.11.96 21/11/96

The G.O. may be asked to
reconsider para 3. of their letter
no 103. Dated 20th. March 1896
(at page 4 of G.O. 25.26. Sec. 8
8. May. 96. Flag B.) in regard to the
employment of additional
clergymen.
17/11/96

Mr Archibald points out that
Bangalore & Secunderabad
have had Chaplains for
30 years. Madras has had
a chaplain for still longer.
The despatch of the G.O. on
p. 8 (Flag B) G.O. 25.26. Sec.
8th May 1896. recognizes that
when a church is once built
the Chaplain cannot be
removed. The G.O. have
already taken the only addi-
tional Chaplain available, viz.
Mr. Heron for ~~some~~ duty
at Mandalay. I think
that India may be informed
with ref. to the facts quoted
by the G.O. that no chaplain
can be made available.

At 7. 11. 96

Read - again the file of papers :-
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Eccl^y DEPARTMENT.

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ORDER. N^o 89 of 25-11-96
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The following telegram will be despatched to the foot of India - Home :-

684 x "your telegram 311 second instant Sateb Chaplain
 Reconsideration requested in reference para two despatch from, twentyone 9th December 63 and despatch to, Seven 20th September 69. x Presb-terians in public employ at ~~Madras~~ Secunderabad and Bangalore require ministrations ^{those} churches erected ^{consider} all stations x This foot of India possible and necessary ^{of} grant allowance to additional Scottish clergymen whom for

note
 Secy of State is under-
 stood. despatches
 come from a go to
 no one else.

Can the telegram
 also make provision
 of a subord. post to
 be made in
 27/96

sent Assembly ^{recently} / intimated Secretary
 State willingness
 send out "if possible and necessary." - (Let send here)

2. With reference to
 his letter N° 30/A, of
 the 11th instant, the
 Senior Chaplain, Church
 of Scotland, is requested
 to report the numbers
 of Presbyterians British
 - born servants of
 Govt both civil and
 Military, at Secun-
 derabad and Bangalore

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(from Orders)

A.L.H.

24/11/96

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Senior Chaplain } of and
 Church of Scotland } para 3
 order of

The L.C. wired to this Govt, as
 a telegram is up is therefore
 submitted. Should a letter follow?
 Perhaps it wd. be best to

await Mr. Archibald's reply
 to the reply in para 2.

A.L.H.

24/11/96

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 AA.

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