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[Despatch Abstract.]

Forwarding to the Govt of India
with remarks Copy of letter from
the Venble the Arch deacon,
Madras, regarding the three
years' probationary period
of the Rev. E. Bull before his
appointment as Chaplain.

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The Venble W. Weston Elwes
Archdeacon of Madras
In charge of the Office

Order

No. 1693.

Dated 11 October 1897.

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Enclosures one.

Spare copies

G.O. 58 and 27.10.97 recd 13/10/97

SUBJECT.

Forwarding for the sanction
of the Govt. a
letter from the Rev. E. D. D.
concerning the question of
his appointment as a
Junior Chaplain. May be
forwarded for the sanction
of the Govt. of India

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FURTHER PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

Tiragapatam
September 25th 1897.

Venerable and Dear Sir,

(1) I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 21st September 1897, with attached printed copy of Government Order passed upon the cases of the Rev. F. Brey and myself.

(2) I have the honor to state that my case, based upon the fact that the rule in question does not contain a clause which makes it imperative that a Chaplain joining in India after having already served 3 years approved service should have been 6 years in Priests' Orders before being confirmed a Junior Chaplain, as also that the only two cases on record before my own of Chaplains applying to be confirmed as Junior Chaplains on 3 years approved service but not of 6 years in Priests' Orders were decided against by the Government of India in their favor which have been refused, (the names of the Chaplains referred to being Revs P. D. Johnson confirmed a Junior Chaplain when only 5 years in Priests' Orders & R. H. Herwin confirmed Junior too after being in Priests' Orders 5 years, may be referred by you to the Government of India for decision.

(3) I venture to think that the Secretary of State for India probably intended that the same rule should apply over the whole of India.

I have &c
(Signed) Edmund Ball.

(True Copy)

W. Rest's Elms.

Archdeacon of Madras.

No. 1698.

From

THE VENERABLE W. WESTON ELWES, M.A.,

Archdeacon of Madras.

To

In charge of the Office.

The Honorable
The Chief Secretary
to Government.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for the favorable consideration of Government, copy of a letter from the Reverend E. Bull, Probationary Chaplain, requesting that the question of his appointment as a Junior Chaplain may be referred to the Government of India.

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Letter 1673 d/4.8.97
on p. 4 of 80. 58^{enc}
d/ 20.2.97

2. The Government of Madras will I believe agree with the Reverend E. Bull in considering that the same rule is intended to apply over the whole of India, and as two Chaplains have already been admitted as Junior Chaplains although they were not six years in Priests' Orders, it would I venture to think be well if the Government of India or the Secretary of State for India were asked to decide the question for the whole of India.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

W. Weston Elwes.

Archdeacon of Madras
In charge of

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SUBJECT.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

THE HON'BLE SIR HENRY BLISS, K.C.I.E.

THE HON'BLE MR. GROSE, C.I.E.

Appointments of Junior
Chaplains

FOR ORDERS.

only just ^{now} available

This to all intents an appeal
to India against S. O. 58
Eccel. D. 20th Aug. 97, though
Mr Bull's letter is to the Archdeacon
it is not in the form of a
petn. to India. Mr B. address
course be told the Diocese
petition in proper form,
perhaps the shortest & simplest
course wd be to refer the
case to India for orders.

At 29. 10. 97

Yes, it can be referred

28 2/11/97

page 4 of S.R. put up.

With reference to
the Hon'ble Member's
note of 16.8.97 at A
info. 58 Eccel. D. 20.8.97

Mr Bull does not give
the details of the two
precedents which he quotes. Still
he says that they had put in
three years of approved
service, but had only been 5 years in
Priest's orders. Their probation
therefore (or 'approved service')
must have begun before they had been
in Priest's orders for the prescribed
time. Possibly they were confirmed
under the old rule (664) quoted
by the Arch Deacon, which the act.
Geo. says has now been cancelled.

mcc.

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Ecc DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in proceedings:--

Again G.O., No. 58, dated 20th Aug 1897 (Ecc),

Again G.O., No. , dated 189 .

Current No. 268 of 1897, dated 11th Oct, from The Venible the Arch-
-deacon

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The Governor

ORDER.

N^o. 88 & 15-11-97

The Govt of India
will be addressed

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The Venible the Arch deacon 9-10-18
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Letter N^o. 89 deapd 16/11/97
To the Secy to the Govt of India
Home Dept
Ecclly

Sir,

I am directed to for-
-ward a copy of your letter
from the Venible the
Archdeacon, Madras
together with copy of
the proceedings of
this Govt N^o 58 Ecc
of 20.8.97 for
the Orders of

of the Govt. of India

Art. 640 C.S.R. provides that

Chaplains shall serve for a period of three years after the first appointment as probationers, but allows time spent in India on service under the additional clergy society or on other approved service to count towards those three years of probation.

M There is a note,

however, to the effect that a clergyman must have been three years in priests orders before he can be nominated as a probationer.

Mr Bull has three years of approved service in the diocese of Lucknow, dating from 1893, but he was not admitted to Priests' orders till 1895.

On his application, therefore, to the Archdeacon of Madras to be excused his period of probation altogether, on account of the approved service already put in by him in India, he was, in the G.O. which forms an enclosure to this letter informed that

of the Govt. of India.

Article 640 C.S.R. provides that Chaplains shall serve for a period of three years after ~~their~~ their appointment as probationers, but allows time spent in India on approved service to count as probation. There is, however, ^{attached to the above-mentioned article} a note to the effect that probation cannot commence till the ~~clergyman~~ *chaplain* in question has been in Priests' orders for three years.

Mr Bull was ordained Priest in 1892, and though, therefore, he has three years of approved service in the Lucknow diocese, the Madras Govt. informed him (in the G.O. attached to this letter) that he could not ^{be} appointed Junior Chaplain without probation, as the time spent by him in India prior to 1895 - ~~on~~ ⁱⁿ which year he ~~was~~ three years standing as a Priest - could not be taken into consideration.

attached

Mr Bull now writes to the Archdeacon to say that there are two cases on record, viz. the Revnd. P.D. Johnson and the Revnd. R.H. Kirwan, where the appointment to Junior Chaplain was made after only five years in Priests' orders.

~~The Archdeacon of Madras has suggested that the question may be referred for the orders of the~~

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~~Government of India.~~ The two cases referred to are thus reported by the Archdeacon:-

(letter dated 4/Aug./1897.)

- " (2) ~~by~~ The case of the Revd. Percy Debenham Johnson, who was ordained Priest in 1890 and worked as an additional Clergy Fund chaplain at Allahabad from 1892 to 1895, when he was appointed Chaplain on probation, March 24th 1895, and confirmed as Junior chaplain on April 20th 1895; Mr Johnson could not, therefore, have been ~~was~~ ~~was~~ in Priest's orders for six years.
- (3) The case of the Revd. Robert Mansel Kirwan-ordained Priest 1889, Allahabad clergy staff 1892-93, probationary ~~chaplain~~ Chaplain August 1st 1893, confirmed junior Chaplain 29th Oct. 1894. Mr Kirwan could not have been six years in priest's orders when confirmed as junior chaplain."

Accordingly I am to inquire if these cases are to be taken as a precedent in the present instance, and that a ruling I

I am, therefore, instructed to ask that a ruling may be given on the question raised.

MS. 11.97 m.c.
4/11/97