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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department, 9th November 1863.

No. 60. Read the following letter from J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector General of Jails; to A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Esq., Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated Ootacamund, 5th October 1863, No. 320.

I have the honor to bring to the notice of His Excellency the Governor in Council that on the 10th December a prisoner, Patrick Flaherty, will be released from the European Prison, on the expiration of his sentence, and that I am anxious for instructions in reference to the discharge of Europeans (British subjects especially) without means or habits that in this country are equivalent to means of subsistence.

2. I have at my last regular quarterly visit spoken with Flaherty relative to his prospects and I find him willing to take my advice of emigrating to New Zealand or Australia, in preference to returning to England, where his labor would probably hardly produce sufficient for his support. Flaherty has no qualifications to recommend him for employment in India, and I beg to submit his case especially to the consideration of Government.

3. I would recommend in the present case that a free passage to Australia be granted to the prisoner on discharge together with a suit of light clothing, 2 shirts, socks, 1 pair shoes, and an order for two Pounds for subsistence on landing in the Colony.

4. I should at the same time request the orders of Government in regard to similar applications, whether the Government desire a special reference in each case, or whether I am at liberty to act on my own discretion provided the expense does not exceed 100 Rupees.

No. 61. To the Secretary to the Government of Bengal, Calcutta, dated Fort Saint George, 9th November 1863, No. 1748.

With reference to the annexed copy of a letter from the Inspector General of Jails, recommending that Prisoner Flaherty, one of the prisoners now in confinement in the European Prison at Ootacamund, and who will be entitled to his discharge on the 10th proximo, shall be granted a free passage to Australia with a suit of light clothing and an order for £2 for his subsistence on first landing in the Colony, I am directed to request that as the prisoner in question is one of those sent from Bengal, you will be good enough to inform me whether the Lieutenant-Governor approves of Mr. Rohde's proposal, and what is the practice in the Bengal Presidency in regard to the disposal of European prisoners on their release from Jail.

2. I am to request that your reply regarding the prisoner referred to in this letter may be communicated by telegraph.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. T. McMootry.

No. 1748. Jud^l Department.

To

The Secretary to the Government
of ~~India~~. Bengal
Calcutta
Department.

Sir,

With reference to the
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Inspector General of Jails
recommending that prisoner
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2. I am to request
that you will apply regarding
the prisoner referred to
in this letter may be
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Forbidden
by Mr Forbes 1863

List of Prisoner.

No. 1102

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From the Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal

dated 13th November 1863.

F.S. No. 2424.

Telegram of 20th Nov.r 1863 No. 1307.

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Respecting the Disposal of Prisoner P. Flaherty whose Sentence will expire on the 10th Dec.r next.

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