

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Marine DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 90

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Dated 25. 2. 18 58

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Fort Saint George, Marine Consultation, 2nd March 1858.

Read the following Papers—

No. 3 From CHRISTOPHER BIDEN, Master Attendant ; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 15th February 1858.

SIR,

I have the honor to inform you that my increasing infirmities oblige me to solicit permission for leave of absence from my duties on Sick Certificate, which will be submitted in due course, and to beg that I be permitted to remain at Madras until I can embark for England.

3A From J. J. FRANKLIN, Esq., Secretary Marine Board ; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 22nd February 1858, No. 774.

SIR,

Captain Biden having forwarded to Government an application to be relieved from his duties in consequence of continued ill-health, I have the honor by desire of the Marine Board to submit herewith his Medical Certificate recommending leave of absence for 15 months.

I, James Sanderson, Garrison Surgeon, Fort Saint George, do hereby Certify that Captain Christopher Biden, Honorable Company's Service, and Master Attendant at Madras, is in a bad state of health, and I solemnly and sincerely declare that according to the best of my judgement a change of air is essentially necessary to his recovery, and do therefore recommend that he may be permitted to proceed to Europe for 15 months.

MADRAS, }
17th February 1858.

(Signed) J. SANDERSON,
Garrison Surgeon.

(Signed) J. McKENNA, M. D.,
Superintending Surgeon.

I do hereby Certify that according to the best of my Professional judgement after careful personal examination of his case, I consider the state of health of Captain C. Biden, to be such as to render leave of Absence for a period of 15 months absolutely necessary for his recovery.

OFFICE OF DIRECTOR GENERAL, }
Fort Saint George,
18th February 1858.

(Signed) ANDREW N. MAGRATH,
Director General, Medical Department.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

No. 556.

REPORT OF THE CIVIL AUDITOR.

The Civil Auditor has the honor to report that Captain C. Biden, Master Attendant, and Registrar of Merchant Seamen, Madras, is eligible to leave of absence for twelve months only on Medical Certificate, under Sections IV and V of the Uncovenanted Service Absentee Rules, to proceed to Europe.

2. As required by the Court's orders of the 4th February 1857, published at Page 521 of Gazette of 1857, Vol. I, the Civil Auditor begs to Certify that, during his absence, Captain Biden will be entitled to draw the highest rate of Absentee Allowance admissible, viz., Rupees 6,000 per annum ; that his aggregate Salary is Rupees 1,500 per mensem, exclusive of his Allowance of Rupees 100 per mensem, as Protector of Emigrants, but as Captain Biden's original application for leave has not been forwarded to the Civil Audit Office, the Civil Auditor is unable to state where Captain Biden intends to draw his Absentee Allowance.

FORT SAINT GEORGE, }
Civil Auditor's Office,
23rd February 1858.

(Signed) F. LUSHINGTON,
Civil Auditor.

2. His Honor is satisfied that

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No. 4

ORDER THEREON, No. 90; dated 25th February 1858.

Captain Biden, Master Attendant, Registrar of Merchant Seamen and Protector of Emigrants, having under date 15th Instant, forwarded to Government an application to be relieved from his duties in consequence of continued ill-health, the Marine Board now submit a Certificate from the Garrison Surgeon countersigned by the Superintendent Surgeon and Director General, recommending that he may be permitted to proceed to Europe for 15 months.

2. The Right Honorable the Governor in Council grants the leave of absence on Medical Certificate for 15 months, recommended for Captain Biden. It will have effect from the date on which Mr. Franklin, who has been appointed to act for him, entered upon the discharge of his several duties.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. A. Wilson.

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Excerpt from the Minutes of Consultation.
Under date 25th February 1858
Read the following letter

From Capt. C. Biden, Master Attendant (D. 10 February 1858. No. 90)
From the Marine Board (D. 22nd March 1858. No. 91)
with Civil Surgeon's report.

+ I am a Protector
of Emigrants

Capt. Biden, Master
Registrar of Merchant Seamen
Attendant, having
under date 15th Instant

forwarded to me an
application to be relieved
from his duties in

consequence of conti-
nued ill health, &c. &c.

in which he now submit
a Certificate from the
Garrison Surgeon, com-
mended by the Super-
intendent Surgeon and Director
General - recommending
that he may be permitted
to proceed to Europe for
15 months -

2. It is recommended that

18 December
on the 1st Capt. Bidden
reported to fort that the
failure of his health
precluded him from
carrying on his duties
and intimated his
desire to retire from the
public service upon a
Pension. The fort on the
20 January last forwarded
the papers to the Honorable
the Council of Directors
and strongly urged
his case upon the liberal
consideration of the Council.

3. The R H the Genl
now grants the leave
on Medical Certificate
of absence for 15 months
recommended for Capt
Bidden - but on the under-
standing that it is
to be terminable with

that time and that his
appointment is to be
vacant, whenever the Hon
Council may be pleased
to admit him to a Pension
according to the applica-
-tion made in his behalf

4 The leave now granted
to Capt. Bidden will
have effect from the date
on which he is to be
who has been appointed
to act for him, entered
upon the discharge of
his several duties.

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Nov. 1858. Oct. 1858

W. J. M.

Exh. M. J. of 1858.

25th February 1858

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