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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 5th May 1857.

No. 120. Read the following Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Military Department, dated 20th April 1857, No. 1282.

Read the following letter from Lieutenant Colonel W. G. WOODS, Adjutant General of the Army ; to Colonel C. A. BROWNE, Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated 16th April 1857, No. 360.

SIR,

I have the honor, by order of the Commander in Chief, to forward for submission to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the accompanying letter from the Officer Commanding Her Majestys 74th Highlanders dated 1st Instant No, 121 with a Memorial from Lieutenant Brevet Captain T. H. Stoddard of that Corps praying for an appointment on the General Staff of the Army.

I am directed to state there is no situation in Lieutenant General Sir T. Grant's gift to which Brevet Captain Stoddard could be appointed, but His Excellency deems it right that Government should be made aware of the circumstance of there being an Officer of Her Majesty's service eligible for employment in the Department of Public Works.

Communicated to the Public Works Department.

(Signed) C. A. BROWNE, Colonel,
Secretary to Government.

Letter from Colonel J. MACDUFF, Commanding 74th Highlanders ; to Lieutenant Colonel W. G. WOODS, Adjutant General of the Army, Fort Saint George Madras, dated Jackatallah, 1st April 1857, No. 121.

SIR,

I have the honor herewith to forward a Memorial from Lieutenant Stoddard of the Regiment under my Command requesting appointment to some Staff employ, and I beg most respectfully to recommend his case for the favorable consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief.

This Officer has uniformly displayed great zeal in the performance of his Regimental duties, and I consider his qualifications sufficient for the appointment now solicited.

No. 204.

Head Quarters Southern Division Camp Neilgherries 10th April 1857.

J. W. CLEVELAND, Major-General,
Commanding Southern Division.

The Memorial of Lieutenant and BREVET Captain THOMAS HENRY STODDARD, Her Majesty's 74th Highlanders; to His Excellency Lieutenant General PATRICK, GRANT C. B., Commander-in-Chief, Madras Army Fort Saint George, dated Jackatallah, 13th March 1857.

SHEWETH,

I. That your Memorialist has been Ensign and Lieutenant in Her Majesty's Service for upwards of fifteen years, the whole of which period with the exception of two and a half years of leave on Medical Certificate to England, he has served in India with the 94th and 74th Regiments, that he has passed the examinations prescribed for interpreters in two of the languages of this country viz., in Hindostannee and Tamil and that he has also taken out Certificates in Surveying and Civil Engineering.

II. That your Memorialist having heard it rumoured, and seen the same stated in some of the Public English papers, that a number of Staff appointments in India have been thrown open to Officers of Her Majesty's Army equally with Officers of the Honorable Company's service, hopes that your Excellency may have received instructions from the Honorable the Court of Directors to that effect, and that your Excellency will, in consideration of your Memorialists, qualifications as stated above and of his long services, deem your Memorialist eligible for, and worthy of one of the numerous appointments in the General Staff of the Army, in your Excellency, gifts for which boon your Memorialist now prays, and for which your Memorialist will be extremely grateful.

STATEMENT OF THE SERVICES OF THOMAS HENRY STODDARD OF THE
LARS AS MAY BE USEFUL

Where born, Madras. Date of Birth, 19th April 1823, Age on his

Rank in which the Officer first entered the Army, and the successions of his Rank on every subsequent Promotion, Removal, or Exchange, whether to Full or Half-Pay.				FULL PAY. Whether obtained with or without Purchase; and, if by exchange, whether with or without paying the difference.	HALF PAY. Whether obtained by reduction, or by the purchase of a Half-Pay Commission; whether in consequence of his being from ill health incapable of Sevice or under what other circumstances: and if by Exchange, whether with or without receiving the difference.	List, and Dates of any Battles, Sieges, and Campaigns, in which the Officer was present; specifying the Regimental or Staff Situation he held on each occasion, and the name of the Officer in the chief command.
Rank.	Regiment. Full Pay.	Regiment. Half Pay.	Date.			
Ensign..	94th Regt.	.....	26th Oct. 1841.	Without purchase.		
Lieut....	„ ...	.....	5th June 1844.	Ditto.		
„ ...	74th Regt.	.....	29th July 1853.	By appointment.		
Captain by Brevet (in the East Indies only.)			26th Oct. 1856, Brevet.			

If the Officer be Married, specify.				If the Officer has any legitimate Children, specify.		
When.	Where.	To whom.	The wife living at the Date of.	Minister who Married the Parties, and what Church.	Names.	Dates of Birth.	Where Baptized.
28th Sept. 1847.	Parish Church Plymouth.	Clara Luiza Wahab.	31st March 1857.	The Revd. J. Hatchard. Vicar... ...	John Henry. Fredrick Wahab. Anny Helen. Ada Caroline Louiza.	18th Nov. 1848. 19th April 1850. 1st Sept. 1851. 15th Sept. 1853.	Cannanore. Do. Do. Bangalore.

* Note. A Report is to be made to the War-Office within six months of the Marriage.—*See Regulations for Widows' Pensions.*

74th REGIMENT OF HIGHLANDERS WITH A RECORD OF SUCH PARTICU-
IN CASE OF HIS DEATH.

first Entrance into the Army, 18 *Years* 6 *Months and* 7 *days.*

Instances in which the officer has distinguished himself by gallant or skilful conduct; when, where, and on what occasion; and whether noticed in General Orders.	Wounds received in Action; specifying when, where, and on what occasion; what grant of Pay has been received; Rate of Pension, date, and whether permanent or temporary.	Titles, Honorary Distinctions, and Medals, obtained; and if conferred for any specific Service, when, and on what occasions.	Service Abroad. Period. From	Period. To	Station.
			26th October 1841	16th March 1846.	Madras East Indies.
			23rd June 1848....	31st March 1857.	Ditto.

Service on	Years. Abroad. Yrs.	Abroad. Mns.	At Home. Yrs.	At Home. Mns.
Full Pay.....	13	2	2	3
Half Pay.....		„		„
Total..... ...	13	2	2	3

I do hereby certify, upon my honour, that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, this statement is in all respects correct and true.

(Signed) T. H. STODDARD,
H. M. 74th Highlanders.

We do hereby certify, that we are satisfied of the general correctness of this statement.

J. MACDUFF, Colonel,
Commanding 74th Highlanders.

(Signed) J. FALMER, Captain,
Acting Paymaster 74th Highlanders.

(Signed) A. D. BELL, Lieut.
and Adjutant 74th Highlanders.

Dated at Jackatalla this 1st day of April 1857.

Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 5th May 1857.

Under the circumstances in this Memorial, I beg leave most respectfully but strongly to recommend Brevet Captain Stoddard's application for an appointment on the General Staff of the Madras Army for the favourable consideration of his Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

Jackatalla,
14th March 1857. }

J. MACDUFF, Colonel,
Commanding 74th Highlanders.

No. 121. ORDER THEREON, No. 870; dated 5th May 1857.

Ordered that the foregoing Extract be recorded.

(Signed) H. FORBES,
Acting Secretary to Government.

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Military Department

No 1282

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Under date the 30th April 1857.
Read the following Letter

From
No 390
The Adjutant General of the Army
To
The Secretary to Government
Military Department

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in the Department of Public Works.

Adjutant General's Office
Fort Saint George
16th April 1857

Sgd W. G. Woodes S.M.C.
Adjutant General
of the Army

Communicated to the Public
Works Department.

Sgd C A Browne Col
Secretary to Govt

To
The Department Public Works
Adjutant General

To
L Smith

Public Works 1857 Dept.
Comm 5th May.

No 801

Extract from the
Minutes of Cont. in the
Military Depart.

Dated 20th April 1857
Rec. 22nd

Communicating a Letter
from the Adjt. Genl. of the Army
forwarding for submission one
from the Officer Commanding
H. M. 74th Highlanders,
with a Memorial from Lt.
& Brevet Capt. J. H.
Stoddard of that Corps,
praying for an appointment on the Genl. Staff
of the Army. -

No 870
Recorded
Fort St George 5th May 1857

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to Military Dept
No 120 & 124

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