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3RD NOVEMBER 1884, No. 2706 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Establishment.

READ—the following papers:—

Despatch from the Most Honorable the Secretary of State for India, to His Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, Fort St. George, dated India Office, London, 28th August 1884, No. 16, Public Works.

I have to acknowledge receipt of your Excellency's Public Works letter, No. 12, of 13th June 1884, requesting that the detention in this country of Colonel Burton, R.E., for a period not exceeding ten days to enable him to visit military defensive works may be sanctioned on the conditions laid down in the Civil Leave Code, Chapter II, Section 17, Rule III (b), and, in reply, to inform you that, as the proposal emanated from Colonel Burton himself, a course of procedure which was objected to by my predecessor in paragraph 4 of his Financial Despatch to the Government of India, No. 62, of 23rd February 1882, I regret that I felt it necessary, on the grounds indicated in that despatch, to decline to comply with it.

From A. B. SAMPSON, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (General), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Simla, 23rd October 1884, No. 1247 G.

In reply to your letter, No 722 E., of 1st instant, I am directed to forward, as requested, a copy of Secretary of State's Financial Despatch No. 62, of 23rd February 1882, regarding the employment of officers on special duty in Europe in continuation of leave.

ENCLOSURE.

Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, to His Excellency the Most Honorable the Governor-General of India in Council, dated India Office, London, 23rd February 1882, No. 62, Financial.

In more than one instance it has recently happened that recommendations have been made by your Government for the employment on duty, for the performance of some special task, or for acquiring some special information, likely to be useful to the public service, of civil officers who have been permitted to come to England on leave at their own request.

2. I am quite aware that, by sanctioning such employment on duty in extension of leave, information of great value to Government may occasionally be obtained at a minimum of cost to the State.

3. But on the other hand it may be said, with considerable truth, that every officer employed on technical duties in India may, when visiting England on leave, obtain information likely to be useful, after his return to the East, to himself or to the department in which he serves, whilst the frequent acceptance of this as an argument for deviation from the established rules regulating leave can hardly fail to introduce mischievous laxity, and to involve considerable expense.

4. I do not desire to prevent the employment of officers visiting England for their own convenience on any public duty of real importance, but I consider that the alleged expediency of such employment should be somewhat jealously criticised and that officers about to come away on leave should be discouraged from themselves seeking to be so employed.

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5. Although, therefore, I do not wish to disturb the practice under which officers who are specially deputed from India on duty receive an allowance of two-thirds of their Indian pay, I purpose to lay down the rule that, in any exceptional case in which I may assent to the employment on duty in Europe of an officer who is coming home on privilege leave, he will only be granted one-half of his Indian salary, though I shall not object to the time counting as service as at present.

6. If your Excellency concurs in this view I request that you will issue orders accordingly.

ORDER—dated 3rd November 1884, No. 2706 W., Public Works.

Recorded.

(True Extract.)

Major, R. E.,
Under Secy. to Govt., P. W. D.

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Dated November, 3rd.

Recd.

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G.O., 3rd Nov. 1884, No. 2706 W.

NOVEMBER.

Colonel W. H. Burton, R.E.

Despatch from the Secretary of State declining to sanction the detention of — in England to enable him to visit military defensive works, recorded.

13TH JUNE 1884, No. 1477 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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READ—the following letter from Colonel W. H. BURTON, R.E., Officiating Superintending Engineer, V Circle, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Chépák, 9th June 1884, No. 933 :—

I have the honor to request the approval of the Madras Government to an extension, not exceeding ten days, to the leave of absence granted me in G.O., No. 1381 W., dated 3rd instant, to enable me to visit certain defence works during my absence from Madras.

2. Some considerable time has elapsed since I saw any works of this nature, and they are constantly being improved upon. The three coast batteries will, if funds permit, be completed this year; it seems, therefore, very desirable that I be enabled to avail myself of the present opportunity for seeing similar works, whether completed or in progress, elsewhere. All those at Bombay, Aden and Portsmouth I might thus see.

3. Should the Madras Government approve of my absence during the time and for the purpose above mentioned, I would request that the Right Honorable the Secretary of State be asked to sanction my detention in England under chapter III, clause 17, item III (b), Civil Leave Code, and paragraph 609, Public Works Code.

ORDER—dated 13th June 1884, No. 1477 W., Public Works.

His Excellency the Governor in Council considers that it will be for the public advantage that Colonel Burton's request should be granted. A recommendation will accordingly be made to the Secretary of State.

(Here enter No. ¹² 1477 W., dated 13th June 1884.)

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. SHAW-STEWART, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, V Circle.

Exd. E. Fernandez.
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Dated June, 13th.

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G.O., 13th June 1884, No. 1477 W.

JUNE.

Colonel W. H. Burton, R.E.

Ordered that the Secretary of State be requested to sanction detention in England, for a period not exceeding ten days, of —, to allow him to visit military defensive works while on three months' privilege leave.

13TH JUNE 1884, No. ¹²/_{1477 W.} PUBLIC WORKS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

LETTER—to

THE RIGHT HONORABLE THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA.

MY LORD,

We have the honor to transmit, herewith, a copy of our proceedings, No. 1477 W., dated 13th June 1884, in which we have decided to recommend that Col. Burton, R.E., an Executive Engineer of the Public Works Department, should be allowed to visit military defensive works while on three months' privilege leave, which has been granted to him; and with this object we request that his detention in England for a period not exceeding ten days may be sanctioned on the usual conditions, as laid down in the Civil Leave Code, chapter III, section 17, rule III (b).

We have the honor to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient, humble servants,

(Signed) M. E. GRANT DUFF.
(„) FRED. ROBERTS.
(„) H. E. SULLIVAN.
(„) C. G. MASTER.

OOTACAMUND,
13th June 1884.

Exd. E. Fernandez.

GOVT. OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

LETTER to the Right Honorable
the Secretary of State for
India.

No. ¹²
1477 W., dated 13th June 1884.

Recommending that detention in England, for
a period not exceeding ten days, of Colonel W.
H. Burton, R.E., may be sanctioned, to allow him
to visit military defensive works while on three
months' privilege leave.

No.

Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT. 2206

To

*The Secretary to the Government
of India - P. W. Dept.*

September 1884

SIR,

*In forwarding for the
information of the Govern-
ment of India the
accompanying copy of
despatch from the Secretary
of State, No. 16, Public Works
of 28th August 1884, I am
directed to request that
this Government may be
furnished with a copy
of the Financial despatch,
No. 62 of the 23rd February*

1882, therein quoted;—
the paper not having
apparently been com-
municated to the

Madras Government.

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To
The Chief Secretary (Hil.)
department) for favor of
counter initials. in reference
to the statement in the draft
as to non communication of the
Hil. despatch in question.

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G.O. 1477W of 13th June 1884
Despatch No. 12/1477W, of 16th June 1884

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No. 16.

India Office
London, 28th August 1884.

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The Right Honorable
The Governor in Council
Wm. L. George.

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I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient
humble servant

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Public Works
28th August 1884

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Secy to Govt of Madras

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
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GENERAL.

To

The Secy. to the Govt of Madras
Public Works Department.

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Your most Obedt Servt

M. Thompson

Under Secy to the Govt of India

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London
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 London 23rd February 1882

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 The Governor General of India
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