

To the Hon. Mr. Secretary
 No 72 W of 9th January
 From P.W.C. No 4008
 The Hon. Mr. Secretary

of India in letter communi-
 cated in P. G. No 21 W dated
 5th January 1886.

2. The charge of ill
 feeling on the part of respon-
 sible officers against the
 old Madras accountants,
 mentioned in the petition
 as a new element in the
 case, is of too general a
 nature to admit of its
 being held applicable
 to his individual case.

3. In these circumstances
 the Govt must again
 decline to forward the
 memorial to the Home
 Govt.

W.C.M.
 2.1.88

J.C.
 5/1/88

No 73 W dated 6th January 1886

To Mr. W. A. Langholf
 with packet of 10 enclos-
 ures
 sent on 21.1.88
 vide No 2017 of 88

C. H. 5.1.88
 W.C.M.

0.1.1886

With order

B. W. D.

no 73 w a 9th January 1888.

Read Cus 10471 of 1887

order.

The memorial to the Queen Empress now submitted by Mr. W. A. Laughlin, is the same as that, the transmission of which was withheld in G.O. No 1891 W dated 14th July 1887 - His requests, as summarised in para 18 of the memorial, are precisely the same as those rejected by the Secy of State in the despatch recorded in P.H. No 2701 W dated 17th Oct 1882, and finally disallowed by the Govt of

P.H.
7207

P. W. D.

Pub 14-11-87 ho 863 R.



of 17 December 87
Transferred to the Public
Works Department.

By order.

L. Meyer
Asst Secy to Govt.

No 2900 W a 16.7.78. No 123 W a 16.1.84.
" 2379 a 12.8.74 " 2150.1 W a 15.9.85
" 2900 W a 16.7.78 " 292 C a 13.2.85
" 3598 W a 11.9.78 " 1946 W a 9.8.84
" 2052 W a 30.8.80 " 2831 W a 12.11.84
" 947 a 11.4.84 " 1546 W a 18.6.86
" 2572 W a 3.11.85 " 1891 W a 14.7.87
" 3598 W a 11.9.78 " 2768 W a 18.10.87
" 2232 W a 28.8.79 " 1342 W a 19.5.86
" 2252 W a 3.9.79 " 21 W a 5.1.87
" 2323 W a 11.9.79 3321 W a 7/5/12/87
" 323 W a 12.2.80 3322
" 2594 W a 15.10.79
" 218 W a 28.1.80
" 2052 W a 30.8.80
" 1536 W a 22.1.81
" 142.3 W a 17.1.82
" 725 W a 10.8.82
" 1689 W a 3.7.82
" 2701 W a 17.10.82
" 2780 W a 25.10.82
" 2364 C a 30.11.83

H.W. 5.1.88
R. 9.1.88

P.H. No 10471

Public (188) DEPARTMENT.

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From

THE PRIVATE SECRETARY

TO THE RIGHT HON. THE GOVERNOR,

To

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

DEPARTMENT.

Dated

9th

December 1887.

Recd.

10th

By 20.12.87

ENCLOSURE 18



Subject.

Transfers a petition from Mr. W. A. Laughlin praying for the transmission of his enclosed petition to Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen Empress of India with recommendation from the Government of Madras.

S.H.
12/12/87

PETITION from *Mr W. A. Laughlin*

Dated *7th* December 1887.



TRANSFERRED to the Chief Secretary to
Government for disposal.

(By Order.)

J. Davis

Private Secretary.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Madras
9th December 1887.

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Adm. Secy
14/12/87

17/10/12 *Adm. Secy* *9/12/87* *13/1*

Original

CURRENT NO.

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