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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Pension DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 71 ~~Press~~ Mis.

Dated 1 – 3 – 1872

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Pension Department, *1st March* 1872.

Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. W. RIDEOUT, conducting the duties of the Controller of Military Accounts, to Colonel A. C. SILVER, Officiating Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Fort St. George, 21st August 1871, B:—

I have the honor to forward a letter from the Inspector-General of Ordnance and Magazines, dated 26th July 1871, No. 111-G, bringing to notice the case of Mr. Henry Gibbs, who was entertained in the late Military Board Office on the 20th September 1837, dismissed* from the service on the 11th October 1854, and re-entertained as Manager of the Magazine, Rangoon, on the 19th July 1857, and recommending that the service forfeited by Mr. Gibbs in 1854 be restored to him on the ground of his continuous good service since 1857.

2. It is not within the province of this office to express an opinion on the merits of Mr. Gibbs' case or the measure recommended; but it will be observed from the Order as per margin that the special sanction of the Government of India is necessary to admit of his forfeited service being reckoned towards pension.

Financial Notification of the Government of India, No. 2439, of 10th April 1862, in paragraph 620, page 112, of the Uncovenanted Servants' Vade Mecum.

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Ordnance Establishment Department.

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2. Mr. Gibbs was entertained in the late Military Board Office on the 20th September 1837 and dismissed the service on the 11th October 1854 for absence without leave.

3. Against this decision Mr. Gibbs appealed, and Government, in their Order (*vide* Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 954, of 27th March 1855), considered the course adopted by the Secretary of the Board irregular and at variance with the rules prescribed for his guidance, and, although Government on that occasion were prepared to annul the order of the Secretary dismissing Mr. Gibbs from the service, yet for the ill-judged sentences to which he had given expression, in the concluding part of his petition, in regard to the treatment he experienced from the Secretary, they confirmed his dismissal from the service.

4. On the occasion of the relief of Bengal by the Madras Ordnance Establishment in 1857 Mr. Gibbs states that at the instance of Colonel G. Balfour, C.B., then Stipendiary Member of the late Military Board, he re-entered the service as Manager of the Magazine, Rangoon, and the records in this office show that he was entertained in that Magazine on the 19th February of that year.

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* *Vide* Minutes of Consultation, No. 954, of 27th March 1855 (not communicated to this office).

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Pension Department,
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6. Looking, therefore, to the fact that Mr. Gibbs has, for a continuous period of fourteen years, as above reported, given unqualified satisfaction to the Ordnance Officers under whom he has served, I beg to express a hope that Government will be pleased to overlook the single act of indiscretion on his part, for which he has expressed deep contrition, and restore to him his former service, which he forfeited while serving in the late Military Board Office in 1854.

No. 930.

Transferred, with No. 3695 of 1871, to the Civil Pension Department.

OOTACAMUND, (Signed) A. C. SILVER, Colonel,
24th August 1871. *Offg. Secy. to Govt., Mily. Dept.*

ORDER THEREON, 1st March 1872, No. 71.

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(True Extract.)

R. S. ELLIS,
Chief Secretary.

To the Inspector-General of Ordnance and Magazines.
,, Controller of Military Accounts.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

Govt. of 187 ; Madras.

PENSION.

To

The INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF ORDNANCE AND MAGAZINES,
&c. &c. &c.

Dated March, 1st.

Issued

Recd.

G.O., 1st March 1872, No. 71.

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OFFICE OF CONTROLLER OF MILITARY ACCOUNTS,
Fort Saint George, 21 August 1871.

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The Controller Military Accounts,

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Your Obedient Servant.

Lieut. Coll.
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Pension 1871 Department

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To
The Civil Pension Dept.

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From
The Controller of Military Accounts,
Fort St. George,

To
The Secretary to Government,
Military Department.

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Dated 24 August 1871.
Received 21st "

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Endorsement.

Regarding the restoration of former service of Mr. H. Gibbs Clerk in the Magazine Office Rangoon.

In Pub. 1819/71

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Ordnance Establishment Department

ORDNANCE OFFICE,
Fort Saint George
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J. L. Barrow Colonel R.A.
Inspector General of Ordnance
and Magazines.-

Military 1871 Department.

No. 3695.

From
the Inspector General
of Ordnance & Magazines
to
the Secretary to Government
Military Department.

Dated 26th July 1871.
Received 21st Aug. 1871.

No. G/111.

Recommends on account of the favorable report received on Mr. A. Henry Gibbs, Clerk in the Magazine Office Rangoon that his former service from 20th September 1837 may be retained to him.

In Rec. 1819/71

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