

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	277	Press ~~Mis.~~
Dated	20-3-	1866.

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No. 77. Read the following letter from the Principal Inspector General, Medical Department, Fort Saint George, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated 5th March 1866, No. 90.

In acknowledging the receipt of the Order of Government, No. 9, 4th January 1866, I have the honor to report that Dr. Dougall was called upon to submit any further explanation he had to offer, with reference to Dr. Andrews' statement, viz., "when I handed over charge of my appointment to Dr. Dougall, I sent him the balance in my hands, with the account, and requested him to acknowledge the same; he did so by a note, which (I being satisfied that the money was in Dr. Dougall's hands) was put in my waste paper basket."

2. Dr. Dougall adheres to his former statement, and reiterates* "that no portion of this money was ever handed over to me, nor any accounts in connection with it."

* Letter dated 29th January 1866.

3. I considered it right that Dr. Andrews should see Dr. Dougall's letter of the 29th January, and in paragraph 2 of a long letter, dated 26th February 1866, he says, "I firmly adhere to my statement, that I sent the money with the account to Dr. Dougall; my recollection of the transaction is so clear, that I have no doubt upon the subject."

4. Government will perceive that any further correspondence would be useless. I have no doubt that Dr. Andrews did, or sincerely thinks he did send the money, and I am also satisfied that Dr. Dougall either did not receive the money, or it has quite passed from his memory.

5. All this disagreeable correspondence about a trifling sum of money has arisen from neither of the gentlemen having used that official exactness which they ought to have done, where public money was concerned, and trusting to their recollection of an occurrence which had been done in an irregular manner many months ago.

6. Dr. Andrews concludes his last letter as follows: "I have not lost sight of the fact that I am to blame for not having kept Dr. Dougall's letter, acknowledging the receipt of the money, and am thereby liable to be called upon to re-place the money. I, therefore, beg that this matter may be ended by Government retrenching from my pay the whole or such part of the sum as they may think fit."

7. I trust Government will authorize me to put an end to this matter by pointing out to these gentlemen that, from their own neglect of official routine, they have unnecessarily occupied the valuable time of Government.

8. I have not sent up the correspondence, but shall do so if required.

No. 78. ORDER THEREON, 20th March 1866, No. 277.

The Governor in Council directs that the sum referred to be retrenched from Dr. Andrews' salary as proposed by him.

2. The Principal Inspector General, Medical Department, will make an intimation to the two Officers concerned, of the nature of that proposed in the 7th paragraph of his letter.

(True Extract).

To the Principal Inspector General, Medical Department.
,, Accountant General.
,, Collector of Vizagapatam.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

Chief Secretary.

Public Department.

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To the P^l Insp^r Genl Medl Dept }
- - - Accountant General. } closed 24/3
" Collector of Vizagapatam }

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