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[Despatch Abstract.]

Stating that the Govt. is unable to grant any Compassionate Allowance to Mrs. E. Stanborough wife of the late Assistant Surgeon Henry Stanborough late Coroner and Health Officer, Madras.

BACK PAPERS.

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TO HIS EXCELLENCY

The GOVERNOR of MADRAS in COUNCIL.

The Humble Memorial of Manley Emily Stanbrough, widow of the late Henry Stanbrough at one time an Assistant Surgeon in the Military Service of the Government of Madras, and subsequently Sanitary Officer to that Government,

PRAYS,

That owing to the death of her late husband, at the age of Eighty one years, your Memorialist has been left perfectly destitute and trusts that the circumstances of her case as hereinafter explained will receive the merciful consideration of the Government with a view to her receiving some small compassionate annual allowance for the short remainder of her life, she being now Seventy-seven years of age.

Your Memorialist would point out that her late husband was deprived of the benefits of the Madras Medical Fund for herself and family in consequence of having been removed from the Service by sentence of a Court Martial in 1853; but the Court in pronouncing so severe a sentence in accordance with what they considered the requirements of the Articles of War, did not hesitate in thoroughly recommending him to the merciful consideration of the C. in C., as the charge on which he was convicted was not criminal but the result of acts of imprudence in connection with money matters. That such mercy, had it been shown, would not have been misplaced, may be inferred from a letter written to Mr. Stanbrough by the late Mr. Morehead and by other influential gentlemen in the Madras Service, copy of which letter is enclosed. The C. in C. felt however, he would not be justified in restoring Mr. Stanbrough to the Service, as it was quite in the power of the Court to have passed a more lenient sentence had they chosen to do so.

Memorialist's husband returned to Madras in 1868 when his reputation as a Medical Officer attracted the attention of Lord Napier, the then Governor, who appointed Mr. Stanbrough Coroner and Sanitary Officer for Madras. The zealous manner in which he carried out these duties, especially during the famine years of 1876, 77, and '78 will be gathered from the two letters, copies attached, from the Duke of Buckingham and F. M. Sir Fred. Haines.

In 1881 Memorialist's husband was superannuated, and granted a small pension of 150 Rupees a month, which has now lapsed. The smallness of the pension quite prevented his making any provision for his widow and she is therefore now left destitute.

In consideration of her husband's good and arduous service, Memorialist trusts that your Excellency in Council may feel justified in treating her case as a special one and recommending that she may receive a small compassionate allowance.

And your Memorialist will ever Pray

Manley E. Stanbrough

52nd House

Tower

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Approved by J. J. J. J.

enclosed to 20 No. 735/97

A FEW OF DR. STANBROUGH'S TESTIMONIALS.

From His Grace the DUKE OF BUCKINGHAM AND CHANDOS, G.C.S.I., late Governor of Madras.

CARLTON CLUB, July 7th, 1881.

Gentlemen,

I have much pleasure in stating that DR. STANBROUGH had large experience in Madras as a Health Officer, that his services in the City were efficient and valuable, and that his unwearied attention to his duties and energy in their discharge was a material element in repressing and checking the spread of disease during the famine years of 1876-77-78 in the City of Madras.

BUCKINGHAM AND CHANDOS.

To the Chairman and vestry of the Parish of Lambeth.

From His Excellency SIR F. P. HAINES, G.C.B., G.C.S.I., late Commander-in-Chief in India.

UNITED SERVICE CLUB, LONDON, 6th July, 1881

I am acquainted with the laborious and responsible nature of the work it fell to DR. STANBROUGH'S lot to perform in connection with his duties as Coroner and Sanitary Officer of Madras.

These were carried out in a thoroughly able, zealous, and conscientious manner.

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I can but think that DR. STANBROUGH would in England, should opportunity offer, act with the same zeal and ability as a Sanitary Officer which he has evinced at Madras under most trying circumstances.

FREDK. HAINES,
Commander-in-Chief, India.

Handwritten:
Received of Dr. Stanbrough
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of 20.70.

INDIA OFFICE, 5th July, 1881.

Dear DR. STANBROUGH,

Your prolonged and valuable services as Health Officer to the Madras Municipality admirably fit you for the post of Sanitary Officer to the Lambeth Vestry Board, for which you tell me you are an applicant. I can safely say that from my personal knowledge of your professional attainments, and your great experience in all sanitary matters (gained during a long course of service as Health Officer, and crowned by your devoted exertions in saving life during the late disastrous famine in Madras), I am of opinion that the Vestry Board could not better serve the public interest than by nominating you to the post which you seek.

Believe me, &c.,

ROBERT ANSTRUTHER DALYELL,

Member of the Council of India.

16, ARGYLL ROAD, KENSINGTON, W.
5th July, 1881.

My dear STANBROUGH,

I hope you may be successful in obtaining the appointment of Sanitary Officer of Lambeth, for which I am told you are an applicant.

When I was in Madras as Judge of the High Court of Judicature though I had not personally any opportunity of making myself acquainted with the manner in which you performed the duty of Coroner, I frequently heard my late brother, then Chief Secretary to Government, and subsequently Member of Council at Madras, and later in the Indian Council at home, express his opinion as to the efficiency with which you filled that post, and afterwards that of Health Officer of the Town of Madras both before and during the terrible famine. Our acquaintance dates since 1842, and I have much pleasure in bearing willing testimony to your skill as a physician and to the kindness and attention I and members of my family have on various occasions received at your hands.

I am, &c., &c.,

GEORGE ELLIS,

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2, GLOUCESTER HOUSES, HYDE PARK, W
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My dear DR. STANBROUGH,

I have great pleasure in bearing my testimony to the very efficient manner in which you conducted the duties of Health Officer and Coroner in Madras during the time I had the honour of holding the position of Inspector-General of the Hospitals in that Presidency.

Your zeal, tact, and courtesy won for you the hearty approbation of Government, as well as of every person who had been brought into official relations with you; and although I cannot speak from my personal knowledge of your subsequent labours during the late severe famine in that quarter, I have been assured by men well capable of judging that by the Government and general public they were considered specially valuable.

I conscientiously believe that your practical knowledge of sanitary matters, thus acquired during the last twelve or thirteen years of your residence in India, render you eminently fitted for the office you tell me you are now a candidate.

Yours, &c., &c.,

W. MACKENZIE,

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2, OXFORD SQUARE, HYDE PARK, LONDON,
4th July, 1881.

My dear STANBROUGH,

I think that you are doing right in submitting an application for the vacant Sanitary Officer in the Parish of Lambeth, Employed as you have been since 1868 as Health Officer of Madras City, as its Coroner and as its Sanitary Officer during the dreadful famine of 1876-77, there are few whose experience can equal yours in all the duties of the Lambeth sanitation, and as you were directly under my orders from 1871 to 1876 inclusive, I am able to, and it is with pleasure I can, testify to the careful and intelligent manner in which all your duties were satisfactorily performed. I wish you success in your application.

Yours very sincerely,

EDWARD BALFOUR,

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I can testify to the efficient manner in which, under your direction, the sanitation of the Town of Madras was attended to during the terrible famine of 1876-77-78, and to the satisfaction expressed regarding your labours by the Government of Madras. Your long experience as Coroner of Madras and as Health Officer of that City will doubtless weigh with the authorities with whom rests the responsibility of appointing a Sanitary Officer for the Parish of Lambeth. I wish you all success in your candidature,

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It is unnecessary for us to enter into a description of the circumstances which have led to this unhappy event.

Your justification contained in your Memorial has sufficiently satisfied your friends that you have nothing to regret in past transactions but imprudence. You may rest assured that all that has happened in no degree alters our feelings towards you. We still hope that the Court of Directors may see reason to reconsider your case and that we may have the pleasure of seeing you restored to the service.

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D.O. No 735

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Ottacamund.
9th September 1897.

CHIEF SECRETARY
11. SEP. 1897
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

My dear Sir,

His Excellency wishes
me to send the accompanying
memorial from
Mrs Stanbrough to you for
disposal in the ordinary
way.

Yours sincerely

H. H. H.

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- 3 H. E. THE GOVERNOR.
1 THE HON'BLE ^{SWH} MR. BLISS K.C.I.E.
2 THE HON'BLE MR. GROSE, C.I.E.

SUBJECT.

Mr. Stanbrough's
Memorial

FOR ORDERS.

"He was dismissed by salary
for some matter for
having money dealings
with a subordinate, of which
falsified."

Mr. E. Stanbrough
widow of the late Asst. Com.
Henry Stanbrough Esq.
Coroner & Health
Officer, also deceased
for a small compensation
allowance. ^{He was originally a private}
D. Stanbrough
dismissed the service
under 103 for reasons
which are given in
the file of 10882
Hence appears of
a pension in satisfaction
of the liability of the
Court of Directors
might be payable to
allow - were both
rejected & vide file
flagged P

March 1860 was
shortly after the outbreak of the
corner.

In consideration
of his good work
^{in these offices}
~~as a coroner and~~
Health Officer,
~~that~~ he was (though not entitled to it)
granted six
months Special
leave under go.
N° 557 Pubd 19th
April 1880 R,
and an arrange-
ment made whereby
he received a
commutation of
£50 for taking
home Mr. Mally.
under notes in the P.
Guests.

On the expiry of
his leave the Secy
of State sanctioned
(on the recommendation
of this Govt S and that
of India) a compa-
rative allowance
of Rs 150 per mensem
to D. Stanbrough
P. 394 Pubd 22nd
March 1881 D.

in virtue of his good
work as coroner and
Health Officer

The amount of his gratuity for which
he was eligible was Rs 8800, giving an
amount of Rs 9700.

D. Stanbrough
memorial on the
-ing of the insufficiency
of the compassionate
allowance granted
him was forwarded
with letter N° 1459
Pubd 3.11.81 T.
This was not
favorably received
Q and D. Stanbrough
was informed
accordingly in
go. 286 Pubd 22nd
March 1881 which
finally disposed
of his case. V.
I think there
was some feeling
hardly expressed
which could not be
looked either the
of his widow that
made further demands
if possible from
the Government.
C. for his gratuity of
30997 and compensation
allowance. The case is pending.

a hard one but Govt does
not grant, or recommend
such allowances even in the
case of the families of
officers who have died in
its service, & this is the
present case here, it
is submitted, as possible
claim.

HK
4/11/97

HK.

It is an unfortunate
case but neither the Govt
of India nor the S. of State
would accept any recom-
mendation for an allowance
to the widow. At any rate
I know of no precedent. Nor
however and her case may
personally be, ~~was~~ Dr.
Stamborough's services such
as would warrant the
Govt making any special
recommendation which
would involve a payment
from the public treasury

8/10/97

It is a sad thing that the aged widow
of an officer who has spent 25 1/2 years
in the Service should be left unprotected
for, but there are probably many such
cases, & the mere reason that the
case is a sad one would not justify the
Govt of India in creating a pre-
cedent which might result in adding
it with large liabilities. There is no
extraordinary & uncommensurate Service
on the part of Dr. Stamborough that
can be alleged. The dismissal in
1853 seems to have been just, &
at all events its justice cannot
be called in question now. The
Service, being 15 years ago, as
the late Officer & Governor of
Madras, seems to have been
exceptionally good, but it was
exceptionally (at least so far as I
can judge, ~~and~~ sufficiently)
remunerated. The application
cannot be supported.

JG
11/10/97

Justly agree
MS
9/10/97

Public Dept

Read memorial from Mrs M. E. Stamborough
(D.O. 735)

CS

Order W. 1382 of 13 Oct 97
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His Excellency
the Governor in
Council regrets
that he is unable to
comply with
Mrs Stamborough's
request.

(from orders)

CIO
12/10/97

HK
12/10/97 13/10/97

To
Mrs M. E. Stamborough
Harold House
Dover

When given for copying
When copied 15/10
When examined
When signed

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READ AGAIN G.O., No.
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DATED

ENCLOSURE No.

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ORDER OF GOVERNMENT

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LETTER OF GOVERNMENT

STATEMENT WITH DIPLO

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IN ORIGINAL.

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