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Recommending to the G.O. that Major Spencer Godfrey Bird, of the Royal Dublin Fusiliers, be appointed to the permanent command of the Madras Volunteer Guards.

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to H. S. The Governor

No. 236

Dated 25. Sept. 99

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Major S. G. Bird of the Royal
Artillery accepting
the command of the Madras
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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
25 Sept 1899.

From

Major D. J. Russell

THE MILITARY SECRETARY TO

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

To

The Chief Secretary
Government of Madras.

SIR,

I have the honour to attach a telegram received by me from Major S. G. Bird, The Royal Dublin Fusiliers, to whom by His Excellency's order, I offered the Command of the Madras Volunteer Guards, provided the Gov^r. & India approved his appointment.

I know that Major Bird has been in correspondence with the War Office in England & I presume he has got permission to take a half pay Lieutenant Colonelcy in order to take this appointment should

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

Major,

The Government of India permit him
to do so.

The regiment is at Ladysmith, Natal,
& presumably Major Bird could not
leave it at present, but His Excellency
the Governor desires you to write to
the Government of India in accordance
with A.R. 1. Vol IX Volunteers. See para 66
* recommending Major Bird's appointment
as Commandant of the Madras Vol^r Guards.

* (With reference to your letter when
recommending Captain Forster's appointment)
I have the honor to be

Sir

Your obedient servant

W. J. M. M. M.

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WITH REMARKS.

For the Asst. Secy

Submitted for perusal.

It is proposed, with
reference to his Lord's instruction
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Viceroy

Si,

E In continuation of my
letter No 1000 Public, dated
the 7th Sept^r 1899, I am
directed to acknowledge from
the favourable consideration
of H. H. the Survey, the
recommendation of the Govt.

that Major Spencer Godfrey Bird, of the Royal Dublin Fusiliers, now at Kady Smith's Hotel, be appointed to the permanent command of the Madras Volunteer Guards.

2. I am to say that Major Bird was known to H.E. Sir Arthur Havelock in Ceylon, where he was for several years Adjutant of Volunteers, & where he showed conspicuous aptitude for working with the Volunteer forces, & achieved marked success under difficult circumstances. His Excellency is aware of no officer so likely to succeed in the much needed work of raising the efficiency of the Madras Volunteer Guards. Major Bird has been in correspondence with the War Office in England with a view to obtaining a half-pay Lieutenant-Colonelcy, & his application has

apparently now been terminated, as he has signified his willingness to accept the command of the Madras Volunteer Guards. I am directed to suggest that the necessary steps may be taken to obtain his services from the War Office as soon as they can be made available, and that his appointment to the command of the Madras Vol Guards may be notified.

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that H.E. the Governor hoped soon to recommend for approval the name of an officer in every way suited to the appointment.

and we to recommend Major Bird's name

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