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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 1323 Press Mis.

286-287

Dated 12th May 1869

Not to be folded or roughly handled

No. 286. Read the following letter from Captain H. St. MAUR WYNCH, Madras Staff-Corps, to the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Saint Thomas' Mount, 4th May 1869:—

As Major Barber has refused to forward my letter to you, in which I have entered into an explanation showing that I never declined to do duty, I therefore do myself the honor of forwarding it and enclosures direct with his Docket No. 27 in original.

2. May I beg you will do me the favor of laying them before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.

From Captain H. St. MAUR WYNCH, Madras Staff-Corps, to the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Saint Thomas' Mount, 1st May 1869.

I HAVE the honor to acknowledge the Order of Government, dated the 27th of April, No. 1,122, and which was forwarded to me this day by Major Barber.

2. From the sixth paragraph of this G. O., I am made aware, for the first time, that it was reported to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that I declined to do duty after having sent in my resignation, but such I beg to say is not the case.

3. I sent in my resignation and came to the Mount in consequence of a letter I received from His Excellency's Private Secretary, informing me that His Excellency the Governor was of opinion that I could not consistently, with the interests of the Service, be permitted to remain longer in the Survey Department.

4. I beg to enclose copy of Major Barber's docket, No. 22, of the 19th of March, and my reply, dated the 20th, and I beg to be allowed to remark that, had he wished me to retake the field, I was prepared to do so: for immediately on the receipt of his docket abovementioned, I had the whole of my camp equipage, (which had been in the field for several months, and was consequently in much need of repair,) put to rights, so that I might at once set out: not being favored with a reply to my letter, I of course took it for granted that Major Barber wished me to remain at head-quarters.

5. I hope that, after this explanation, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council may think proper to exonerate me of the serious charge of declining to do duty, and (as my camp equipage, servants, etc., have been kept up, so that I might be able to take the field at any moment), may think proper to pass such orders as will enable me to draw my salary up to the time that His Excellency the Governor's decision was made known to me.

6. I beg to append a docket of mine on this subject, dated the 9th ultimo, to Major Barber.

7. My resignation was forwarded through the Deputy Superintendent, Major Barber, as also direct to Government; but as the Right Honorable the Governor in Council is of opinion that I acted improperly in forwarding it direct, I beg to apologize.

8. I despatch this letter and its enclosures through Major Barber, in order that he may be placed in a position to state his reasons for supposing I declined to do duty.

No. 287. ORDER THEREON, 12th May 1869, No. 1,323.

Miscellaneous.

THE Government observe that under the circumstances which attended Captain Wynch's unjustifiable discontinuance of active duty in the field, there was practically a refusal to do the work on which he had been specially employed.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To Captain H. St. Maur Wynch.
,, the Superintendent of Revenue Survey.
,, the Military Department.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Central (1869) Middle

REVENUE.

To

CAPTAIN J. L. MAUR WYNCH,

&c., &c., &c.

Dated 25th *Sept.* 1869.

Recd. ——

G. G., 12th May 1868, No. 1923

MAY.

Nos. 286-287.

Captain Wynch, late of the Survey Department.—Passing orders on his letter, forwarding explanation on the report that he declined to do duty after sending in his resignation.

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St Thomas' Mount

20: March 1864

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To

The Deputy Superintendent

Revenue Survey

St Thomas' Mount

Sir

With reference to the Particulars of
your Contract of the 19: Instant, I have the
+1822. Honor to inform you that having sent in my
resignation Straightway Consequently came to
the Mount.

2. Under the circumstances Land Rate
Government will entertain now for having
Chew much a Rep: I shall await here for
their decision relative to the charge made against
me by Lt: Bentley and Gonsalves.

I have .. .. ..

Sd- Lt. Grant Wyatt. Cash

Civ: Dept: Rev Survey

True Copy

Sd- Lt. Grant Wyatt. Cash

6x

4x

6x

5x

1869

From

To

Dated
Despatched 30 May
Received

Enclosure No. 4

General No. —

Departmental No. 27

Subject.

REFERENCE

Rec. 11th Aug. 69.

Nolde

his Excellency's private Secretary informing him that his Excellency the General was pleased that I could not consistently with the duties of the Office he exercises & command under him remain any longer in the Department.

That he received from Captain Barker a Letter dated the 29th of March and the Copy dated the 30th and that he is desired to inform the said Commissioners that he cannot do so for reasons mentioned in the Letter aforementioned and the Copy of the said Letter which he sent to the said Commissioners.

That he also sent the Examination, the Captain demanded the General to direct him to exonerate him of the charge & declining & to any answer the Court thereupon, Sentence, &c, have read sight

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sd to that Office he was to take the field at any moment) may Please further to Examine Witnesses as will enable him to draw the Salary sd to the time that His Excellency the General's decision was made known to him.

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7. His Examination was Examined through the Depy Judge Advocate, as also direct to Government from the Right Honorable the General in Council of Bombay dated

Endorsed the Letter and the Examination of Capt Barker in order that the Court may be placed in a Position to state his Reasons for differing & declining to do duty.

Sworn to upon the Holy

Evangelists

Before me

Capt Engineers Assistant

Judge Advocate

Rec. 4 May 1869

Captain T. S. Brock.
Madras Staff Corps.

Sir,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for India in Council to forward herewith, for your information, a copy of a letter from the Government of India, dated 26th April last, No. 122, explaining the circumstances which led to the appointment of Captain Hennessy to act as Assistant Commissioner in Mysore.

I am, Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
T. F. Elmsley
Under Secretary.

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1869 Rec. 1122/69.

Copy,
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Dated 1st
Desp. 2nd } May.
Rec'd

Hennessy. Mysore.
Subject
Acknowledging G. G. dated the
26th April, No. 122, and
stating that he sees no
objection to do duty.

Pro: 27 April 1869 No. 528. 533 Rec. 1069 Ordnance
Navy
Ft. 1622.

Captain Wynch.
Incloses Staff Corps
Lieut.
Lieut. Col. & Asst.
Quartermaster
Fort Gaston

Dated. 4:
Desp. 4: } May
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Enclosure. and. 2.

Subject.

Forwarding my letter of the
Assistant with the enclosures
and a duplicate in original
from Major Barber.

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May 1864 [illegible]
Post Office to cease to
do duty in the Sunday
kept until formally
relieved.

Captain Wynch did not declare; in so many
words, "death-work" as had been assigned by
him in connection with the delict formerly error-
and thereupon the use of "declined" in our order
a further explanation unfortunately [illegible]
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Capt

Ltr
Rec'd under

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1 — To Capt W. S. Drayton Wynch Transports
13 — The Supt of Pub Surveys
7 — Build Depts

12 May 64.