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No. 74. Read the following endorsement of the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Ootacamund, 6th November 1874 :—
From Colonel H. R. MORGAN, Madras Staff Corps and Deputy-Conservator of Forests, to C. G. MASTER, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Ootacamund 26th October 1874.

I HAVE the honor to request you will submit, for the favorable consideration of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, this my application to continue in the Forest Department, notwithstanding my retirement from the army on the 31st of December next.

2. I was employed in working forests for Government from 1856 to 1860, when I was appointed to act for Dr. Cleghorn as Conservator of Forests, and was transferred to the regular Forest Department. Prior to the year 1860, I worked the Wynaad Forests for the Wellington Barracks, and was enabled to save the Government a large sum of money on the price of the timber: the estimate for 2,000 tons of Teak was six lakhs of Rupees, and I supplied the quantity for two lakhs, thus saving four lakhs of Rupees in the price of the timber; and by a constant supply very much expediting the building of the barracks, by which a large amount of money was saved in supervision as well.

3. I acted for Dr. Cleghorn for nearly two years, but lost the appointment on the return of Captain Beddome, whose right to be the head of the department the Government considered to be stronger than mine. During the time I was acting for Dr. Cleghorn, the Punjab Government applied for a Conservator of Forests; I was unable to accept the appointment, as I was then at the head of the Madras Forest Department, and could not be spared: thus I lost what would have been a permanent 1st-Class Conservator's appointment of 1,500 Rupees a-month.

4. I am at present engaged in a very important experiment of growing Sandalwood in the taluqs of Suttiamungalum, Collegal and Sigur, which, if successful, will go far towards realizing a large revenue for the department. It will require my personal supervision for at least two years longer.

5. I have also to deliver from Mudamalli Forest, for the Wellington Barracks, 40,000 cubic feet of Teak-timber next year; this is a laborious and difficult operation, and will require constant personal supervision.

6. My present age is fifty-two, so three years will elapse before the superannuation order applies to me.

7. For precedents, I beg to cite the cases of Colonel Colbeck, Police Magistrate, Madras, Colonel Pears, Postmaster-General, and Colonel Wilson, Inspector-General of Jails.

TRANSFERRED to the Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Acting Secretary to Government.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
7th December 1874.*

RE-TRANSFERRED to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

(By Order.)

MADRAS.
24th November 1874.

(Signed) A. AWDRY, Captain,
Private Secretary.

No. 75. ORDER THEREON, 7th December 1874, No. 1,510.

Forests, No. 8.

His Excellency the Governor in Council observes that the Secretary of State has ruled (Financial Despatch to Government of India, dated 4th December 1872, No. 513) that in the case of a military man resigning the service (which involves the vacation of any civil appointment which he may hold); it is not desirable "except under exceptional circumstances, when it is decidedly for the benefit of the public service," that such officer should be re-appointed to the civil post previously held by him.

2. In the present case, His Excellency in Council does not find that such exceptional circumstances exist, and he must, therefore, decline to comply with Colonel Morgan's request.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To Colonel H. R. Morgan.
„ the Board of Revenue.
„ the Inspector of Forests.

Act. carried Oct 26. 1874

To The Secretary to Government
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Govt. of 1874

REVENUE.

Gov. H. R. MORRAN

Dated December 7th.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O. 7th December 1874. No. 1510.

DECEMBER.

Nos. 74-75.

Colonel Morran, Deputy Conservator of Forests.
— Observing that there are no exceptional circum-
stances in the case of — to warrant his re-appoint-
ment to the Forest Department after his retire-
ment from military service, and declining to
comply with his request to be retained in the
department.



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I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedt Servant
J. R. Morgan Colonel
Madras Staff Corps
By Commission

G.O. 17th April
1862 and 2nd
May 1862 R. 963

Note with Ref: to No 3753/74

My dear Mr. Atten

I think this letter of Mr. May and should be first to Mr. Atten for Mr. Atten can do, if put a letter to the attention to his hands in the Mr. May and services on the 31 Dec., this last which purgation becomes in which. I have already stated my

No 3753.

Rescue 1874 Sept

From Col and Mr. May

By Mr. May? 2 Feb 75

20 Dec 75

20 Dec 75 - 7 Dec 74

Subject

Subject in application to be retained in the Court Department after return from the Army.

Atten for Mr. Atten

Mr. Secretary

Government Bureau

Department

By Mr. May

20 Dec 75

Mr. May

20 Dec 75

Atten for Mr. Atten

From Mr. May

By Mr. May

Mr. May

20 Dec 75

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Reason for advocating
Col. May's retention. Since
then certain allegations have
been made of misbehavior - which
he has had no opportunity
of rebutting. This I would, in
my opinion, be a hardship to
him, if they are to be allowed
any weight in the decision
of the President's Commission.
Yours truly, J. B. Smith

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

No. 3753

From *John Morgan, Dy. Sup. of Forests*
Dated 26 October 1874.

FOR ORDERS.

The Govt. has decided not to
reappoint Col. Morgan.
Indeed, as I understand the matter
we cannot reappoint him unless
we can say that there ~~is~~ ^{is}
is ^(previously) successful & valuable in the
public service: and that we cannot
say. I w^d. etc (in reply to Mr. ...)

while I do not regret
 the result, & my future
 has no influential reasons
 for returning his service.

5/11

I have nothing to add - I think that in
the present state of the Forest Service
we will do well to retain the services
of the most experienced officers in the
bureau. A healthy able man equal
to his duties any other.

On late Eve dealt

with the matter of this course
of his family with landed inter-
-ests on the River - and Mr. Sum-
has ascertained from Col. M.
that there is no truth in the al-
legation (anonymously offered)
of his being engaged in planty
within his range - but it might
be well to let Col. Morgan sub-
mit an official explanation
as suggested by Mr. Sum.

But of course the final
determination of the matter be-
long to Congress & Col. P's retirement
involves his ceasing to hold
his civil app^t and re-app^t is
entirely a matter for Congress'
consideration -
Yours truly
Wm

FOR ORDERS.

having ~~an~~ ^{the} ~~very~~ ^{best} ~~of~~ ^{the} ~~late~~ ^{late} ~~Col.~~ ^{Col.} ~~Morgan~~ ^{Morgan},
who some little time ago the refusal
of Col. Morgan's retirement was discussed
in Council: and as the President & others
(as the interest of the public service,
he ought to be reappointed. The party
and has understood that there he had been
also respected the strongest opinion
from their knowledge of Col. Morgan's official
history, that it was in the highest
degree undesirable that his services
~~should be retained~~. ~~Therefore~~ I have myself
~~expressed~~ no personal knowledge, or other
material fact, confiding in the opinion of

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certain, but the two ~~last~~ ^{last} are spread

your colleagues, I agreed in what was
the unanimous decision of the
Jes. that Col. Morgan should not be asked
to resume his duties in the Army
Dept. A candid assessment
has been deliberately made, with the
full consent & aided by the advice
^{or suggestion} of members of Council ^{independently}
and they have the perfect
appointment of Capt. Jago based on
Col. Morgan's final retirement.
It now appears that Mr. Col. Polson
is strongly of opinion that Col. Morgan
remains right & retained.

1838
The Wh^{te}. wh^{te} is the same opinion
Under these particular perplexing
circumstances, I sh^d be ready (in deference
to the changed view of my colleagues)
to reconsider the matter, but for the
fact ~~that~~ that vested interests
/ there for instance of last year, to
whom the disaffectionist w^d be cruel
& unjust for seriously inquiring.

I send ~~it~~ in affluent affection
which kind & be guided as much
as possible by the opinion of the members.

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of Council and before later action
the matter, I repeat that the
Ministry be circulated to the
members of Council, including this
Genl. the Council. in brief, if the
free opinion as to what w^d be
done.

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7/10/79

The statement made in Council re^{sp} to
Meyers was that he ^{had} late habitually
neglected his duties & taken up his residence
with the family, which he very seldom left.

I was not present at
the meeting of Council
referred to by him

Last night - The resolution
then arrived at is now re-af-
firmed by the majority of
the pt. and Messrs. Leger
it is purely public grounds
of course
I have no objection in it

Certainly ~~anxious~~ agreed that
Col. Morgan's re-employment was unexpected
when it was discussed in Council - I
was scarcely then aware of the fact
of his employment in the Dept. I think
that the consideration of it will be detrimental to the
Public Service

13/11

MR 24/11

I have always
been of opinion that
the agricultural and
planting operations of
Colonel Morgan and
his family were on too
extensive a scale to be com-
patible with his position
in the Public Service. His
acting without reference
to the allegations contained
in the printed Circular
dated 1890 and also
entirely without reference
to the interests of others -
I therefore think that
in the interests of the
Public Service Colonel

Morgan ought not to
be appropriated on his
detachment from the Army

[Signature]

7.11.74

I think we have no
choice but to decline
to appoint A. Morgan

[Signature] 24/11

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 7th December 1874.

READ the following Letter from Col
Morgan, Dy. Comd^g of Force

Submits an application
to be retained in the
Forest Department after H. E. 26th October 1874
retirement from the
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Regarding Colonel
Morgan's retention
in the Forest Dept
after retirement
from the Army

Circ
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Hear