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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

2nd August 1877, No. 2450-B.

Famine Relief.

Read the following paper :—

No. 63-C. From Colonel H. K. BURNE, C.B., Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, to the Adjutant-General in India, dated 3rd May 1877, No. 71-S (Special—Famines).

I AM directed to forward, for the information of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, the enclosed correspondence received from the Department of Revenue No. 339, dated 9th April 1877, and enclosures. Agriculture and Commerce regarding the replacement at the disposal of the Government of India of the services of Lieutenant-Colonel W. Howey, Bengal Infantry, from the special duty on which he was employed in Madras.

2. The Right Honorable the Governor-General in Council desires me to express the very serious disapproval of the Government of the conduct of Lieutenant-Colonel Howey, which, in the opinion of His Excellency in Council, is most discreditable to the Government.

3. Lieutenant-Colonel Howey's services are now replaced at the disposal of His Excellency, and the Government of India leave it to the Commander-in-Chief to take such further notice of his conduct as His Excellency may deem expedient.

From Major-General P. S. LUMSDEN, Adjutant-General in India, to Colonel H. K. BURNE, C.B., Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, dated Head Quarters, Simla, 18th July 1877, No. 2,617-A.

With reference to your letter, No. 71-S, "Special—Famines," dated the 3rd May 1877, forwarding correspondence relating to the conduct of Lieutenant-Colonel W. Howey, Bengal Infantry, whilst employed on famine duty, I am directed to state, for the information of Government, that, on a review of the whole case, the Commander-in-Chief considered it desirable to assemble a Medical Board for the purpose of ascertaining the state of health of that officer.

2. On receipt of the Proceedings† of the Board, His Excellency directed that Colonel Howey should be addressed in the terms of this office letter, No. 2,059-A, of the 30th May 1877, copy of which is submitted for the information of Government.

COPY of a telegram from the Adjutant-General in India, to the General Officer Commanding Meerut Division, dated 3rd May 1877, No. 1,800-A.

ORDER a Special Medical Board to report on Lieutenant-Colonel Howey's state of health and submit proceedings.

PROCEEDINGS of a Special Medical Committee assembled at Meerut on the 10th May 1877 by the orders of the Officer Commanding the Station to examine into, and report on, the state of health of Lieutenant-Colonel Howey, Bengal Infantry.

The Committee composed as under :—

Deputy Surgeon-General, Indian Forces, Meerut, President.
Surgeon R. MOONIE, M.B., 39th Native Infantry, } Members.
Surgeon J. L. CORBETT, M.D., 4th British Cavalry, }

Revenue Department, 2nd August 1877, No. 2,450-B.

Met at the President's quarters at 4-30 P.M. on the 10th May 1877, and proceeded to examine into the state of health of the above-named officer, and have arrived at the conclusion that Lieutenant-Colonel Howey is in a state of average good health, and this opinion is confirmed by that officer's own statement.

(Signed) J. A. C. HUTCHINSON, M.D., Dy. Surgeon-General,
President.
(") R. MOODIE, M.B., Surgeon, 39th N.I.,
CORBETT, M.B., Surgeon, 4th B.C. } Members.

Copy of a letter from the Adjutant-General in India, to the General Officer Commanding Meerut Division, dated 30th May 1877, No. 2,059-A.

I AM directed by the Commander-in-Chief in India to request that you will send for Lieutenant-Colonel Howey, and, in the presence of your staff, cause this letter, together with the annexed communication,* No. 71-S, of the 3rd May, from the Government of India, to be read to him.

* Return requested.

2. His Excellency regrets that during his command it has happened that an officer of the Bengal Presidency, a volunteer for an important duty, should have shunk from performing that duty and so far forgotten himself as to allow of his having addressed the Madras authorities in the terms of his letter of the 22nd March 1877, to the Collector of Bellary. The tone current throughout the correspondence and more especially the references made by Lieutenant-Colonel Howey to his desire for a return to his family are very unbecoming.

3. The assumption that officers are only to work for Government when it is worth their while, and that important duties for which they may have been detailed, or may have volunteered, are to be thrown aside at will for domestic considerations, displays a feeling of so unsoldierlike a character as to disqualify an officer holding such views for continuance in the service.

4. The medical certificate under which Lieutenant-Colonel Howey returned to Meerut prevented His Excellency from making more serious recommendations to Government and the Secretary of State regarding him.

Colonel Howey is to be discharged of all duties, and from time to time especially examine him as to his fitness for the varied requirements of military service of which at present he evidently has but little conception. Until further orders you will decline to grant Lieutenant-Colonel Howey leave of any description.

No. 709-S.

Copy of the foregoing forwarded to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, General Department, with reference to Additional Secretary Mr. Garstin's letter to the Department of Revenue, Agriculture, and Commerce, No. 1,013, dated the 10th March 1877, for the information of His Grace the Governor in Council.

(By Order,)

MILITARY DEPARTMENT, SIMLA,
26th July 1877.

(Signed) A. CROOKSHANK, Capt.,
Offg. Dy. Secy. to Govt. of India.

No. 63-D. ORDER THEREON, 2nd August 1877, No. 2,450-B.

Miscellaneous.

Communicated to the Military
Department and the Revenue Board.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. H. GARSTIN,
Additional Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
" the Military Department.
" the Financial Department.

Exd. J. W. Fischer.

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*Special
Services*

Government of India.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Simla, 26th July 1877.

No. 418, dated 3rd May 1877.

*The Adjutant General in India
Sir,*

*I am directed to forward for the
information of His Excellency the Commander
in Chief the enclosed correspondence received
in 1874, dated 9 April 1877, from the Adjutant General,
And Enclaves— Agriculture and Commerce, regarding
the replacement at the disposal of
the Government of India of the services
of Lieut Colonel W. Henry, Bengal Infantry,
from the special duty on which he was
employed in Madras.*

*2. The Right Honble the Commander
General in Council desires me to
express the very serious disapproval
of the Government of the conduct of Lieut
Colonel Henry, which in the opinion
of*

Govt. of (1877) 31/7/77

REVENUE.

The BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated August 2nd.

Issued in MS. 10th.

Printed 17th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O. 2nd August 1877, No. 2,450-B.

AUGUST.

No. 63-C-63-D.

PARINE HILLIER, No. 1, 228-A.

Lieutenant-Colonel Henry of the Bengal Infantry, lately employed on Famine Work in Belgaum District.—Communicating to the Military Department and to the Board of Revenue Resolution of the Government of India relating to the replacement of the services of — at the disposal of that Government.

of His Excellency's funeral, would
discredit him, as a
military Officer, and a servant of the
State.

3. Lieut Colonel Hony's services
are now placed at the disposal
of His Excellency; and the Govern-
ment of India leave it to the Commander
in Chief to take such further notice
of his conduct as His Excellency may
deem expedient.

I am, Sir,
Yr. Obedt Servant,
J. H. P. M. M. M. M.
Secy to the Govt of India.

To the
Officers.
Office of the Adjutant General in India
New Quarters, Simla,
18th July 1877.
From the Adjutant General in India
To the Secy to the Govt of India
Military Department.

Enclosure
With reference to your letter
of the 11th inst.

1877, forwarding correspondence
relating to the conduct of Lieut Colonel
W. Hony, Bengal Infantry, whilst em-
ployed on garrison duty. I am directed
to state, for the information of Govern-
ment, that in a review of the whole
case, the Com. in Chief considered
it desirable to assemble a Medical
Board for the purpose of ascertaining
the state of health of that Officer.

Enclosed
In receipt is the Proceedings
of the Board, His Excellency directed
that Lieut Colonel Hony should be ad-
- dressed in the terms of this Office letter
No. 2059 A. of the 30th May 1877, copy of which
is submitted for the information of
Government.

I am, Sir,
Yr. Obedt Servant,
Signed P. H. M. M. M. M.
Adjutant General in India

Copy

Copy of a telegram from the Assistant
General in India, to the General Officer
Commanding Meerut Division, No. 1000,
dated 8th May 1894.

Order a special Medical
Board to report on the state of health
of Colonel Hume and submit
proceedings.

Proceedings of a special Medical Com-
mittee assembled at Meerut on the 10th
May 1894 by the orders of the Officer
Commanding the Station, to examine
into, and report on, the state of health
of Lieutenant Colonel Hume, Bengal
Infantry.

The Committee composed as under:-
Deputy Surgeon General. Indian Forces Meerut,
President.

Surgeon R. Mardie, M.D. D.S. N.I. } Members
Surgeon J. Corbett, M.C. D.S. N.I. }

Met at the President's quarters at
4.30 P.M. on the 10th May 1894, and proceeded

to examine into the state of health of
the above named Officer, and have
arrived at the conclusion that
Colonel Hume is in a state of average
good health and this opinion is con-
firmed by that Officer's own state-
ment.

Off. A.C. Hutchinson, M.D.
Deputy Surgeon General.
President.

R. A. Mardie, M.D. }
Surgeon, D.S. N.I. } Members
J. J. Corbett, M.C. }
Surgeon, D.S. N.I. }

Copy of a telegram from the Assistant
General in India, to the General Officer
Commanding Meerut Division, No.
2057 A, dated 30th May 1894.

I am directed by the Commander
in Chief in India to request that you
will send for Lieutenant Colonel Hume,
and in the presence of your Staff

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Cause this letter, together with the
annexed communication No. 4. I. & recommended
of the 3rd May from the Government of
India to be read to him.

2. His Excellency regrets that
during his command it has happened
that an Officer of the Bengal Presidency
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ing that duty and so far from
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in the terms of his letter of the
22nd March 1844, to the Collector of
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especially the references made by
Lieutenant Colonel Hony to his
desire for a return to his family
are very unbecoming.

3. The assumption that Officers
are only to work for Government
when it is worth their while, and that
unimportant

important duties for which they
may have been detailed or may have
voluntarily or to be thrown aside
at will for domestic considerations,
displays a feeling of soundness like a
character as to disqualify an Officer
holding such views for continuance
in the Service. -

4. The Medical Certificate
under which Lieutenant Colonel Hony
returned to Meerut presented His
Excellency with his recommendations to Government
and the Secretary of State regarding
him.

5. The Report of the Meerut
Medical Committee of the 10th May
shows that Lieutenant Colonel Hony
is in marriage and health, and you
must therefore require from him a
rigid discharge of all duties, and
from time to time especially examine
him as to his knowledge of the varied
requirements

requirements of military service, of
which at present he evidently had
but little conception. Until further
orders, you will decline to grant
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of any description.

No 709 S

Copy of the foregoing forwarded to
the Chief Secretary to the Government
of Madras, General Department, with
reference to additional Secretary Mr
Christie's letter to the Department
of Revenue Agriculture and Commerce,
No 1013, dated the 10th March 1914, for the
information of His Grace the Governor
in Council.

By order
A. Rodenhouse

Secretary
Offg. Secy. to the Govt of India

No 709 S To the Department of Revenue Agriculture
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