

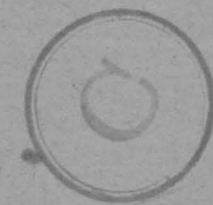
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LETTER—from

M. HAMMICK, Esq., I.C.S.,

Ag. Secretary to the Government of Madras,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Sir,

I am directed to forward, for the information of the Government of India, a copy of the Proceedings of this Government, No. 383, Educational, dated 23rd June 1899, sanctioning certain additions to the staff of the College of Engineering, Madras, and to address you on the subject of the two appointments of Professor of Civil Engineering and Instructor in Mechanical Engineering mentioned in paragraph 3 of the above Proceedings.

2. With regard to the former of the two appointments, I am to refer you to the correspondence ending with the endorsement of the Government of India, Home Department (Educational), No. 328 of 20th October 1887, communicating the sanction of the Secretary of State to the scheme submitted by this Government for reorganizing the staff of the College of Engineering. The scheme then approved included the two appointments of Professor of Engineering on Rs. 750—1,000, and Professor of Mathematics on Rs. 500—750 a month, and, as it was considered by this Government desirable that these two professorships should be held by Englishmen or by persons of special European training, the Secretary of State was requested in the letter of this Government, No. 1, Educational, dated 24th January 1888, to send out from England two gentlemen for the posts, and in accordance with this request Messrs. Chatterton and Middlemast of the graded (now Indian) Educational Service were appointed. Mr. Chatterton still continues to hold the professorship of Engineering, but Mr. Middlemast was transferred in 1894 from his post of Professor of Mathematics in the college, and since his transfer M.R.Ry. Hanumanta Rao, a member of the Upper Subordinate (now Provincial) Educational Service, has been holding the appointment. The Principal of the college reports that there is no objection to the latter officer, who is an able Mathematician, retaining the Mathematical professorship, provided that the second European professor authorized by the Secretary of State is also appointed, and points out that his demand is virtually for a member of the Upper Subordinate (Provincial) establishment, or in other words for the retention on the college staff of the present Native Professor of Mathematics, while the Secretary of State's original intention that there should be two European professors is adhered to.

3. With this opinion His Excellency the Governor in Council concurs and considers that, in view of the great development of the college and of the workshops which has taken place since the reorganization, it is advisable to relieve the present Professor of Engineering of some of his multifarious duties. These comprise instruction both in Civil and in Mechanical Engineering and in certain other subjects, in addition to supervision of the workshops and the Engineering laboratory, and, as observed by the

Principal, involve an amount of work which cannot, even with an efficient staff, be performed satisfactorily by one officer. His Excellency the Governor in Council agrees with the view of the Principal in that the time has arrived when the Civil and Mechanical branches of the profession should be separated, and that two chairs in Engineering should be established, and considers, that while the existing professorship should deal with the mechanical side of the subject, it is necessary to appoint a second professor who will be responsible for instruction in Civil Engineering. It is proposed to confer the latter appointment on an officer of the Public Works Department, who is not of higher standing than an Executive Engineer of the third grade, and to grant him the pay of his grade (Rs. 700) together with Rs. 100 Presidency allowance and Rs. 45 house-rent a month, subject to the proviso that he shall not be permitted to hold the office for more than three years without the special sanction of this Government. I am accordingly to request that the sanction of the Secretary of State may be obtained to the proposed appointment and to add, that even with the addition of the salary and allowances of the post, the cost of the superior establishment of the Madras college will be less than that of the Engineering colleges of Roorkee, Poona and Sibpur.

4. With regard to the Instructor in Mechanical Engineering, there are, I am to state, in the college at present two chief Instructors, one of whom is responsible for building construction, drawing and estimating, and the other for surveying and machine drawing as well as geometrical, freehand, perspective and model drawing. The Principal reports that the latter has far more to do than he can accomplish and considers that his duties should be confined to surveying, the teaching and practice of which involve great responsibility and labour, and considers that a third Instructor should be provided for machine construction and drawing. His Excellency the Governor in Council accepts this view and proposes to obtain an additional Instructor from England under an agreement for five years on a salary of Rs. 350 a month. I am accordingly to request that the sanction of the Secretary of State may be obtained to this appointment.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

M. HAMMICK,

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