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No. 223. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Public Works Department, dated 18th May 1874, No. 1328 :—

On the recommendation of the Government of India, in paragraph 11 of their letter, No. 635, of 8th May 1872, reviewing the scheme for a reorganized Public Works Department as first submitted to them, it was determined that the two Superintending Engineers of the first grade should be appointed Inspecting Engineers. An addition to that extent was thereby made to the number of nineteen District Engineers who were substituted in the new scheme for the eight Superintending Engineers of the old system; and this reduced the number of senior officers available for executive duties by thirteen.

2. It has been found, after nearly eighteen months' trial, that the strength of the Engineer establishment is insufficient to meet the calls for officers to take charge of districts, especially at times when the number of applications for furlough that have to be complied with is unusually large. Already the list of Executive Engineers, third grade, has been exhausted to provide officers for charge of districts; and His Excellency the Governor in Council is at last reluctantly compelled to order that the functions of the two senior Superintending Engineers as Inspecting Engineers only shall be held in abeyance, and that those officers be instructed to take charge, Colonel Foord of the Bellary, and Lieutenant-Colonel Roberts of the Tanjore District. Major Mead will then be enabled to avail himself of his furlough; and Captain Edgcome will be made available for the Trichinopoly District, so long vacant.

3. But His Excellency the Governor in Council considers it in the highest degree desirable that he should have at his disposal the services of officers of standing in the department for purposes of occasional inspection; and it has accordingly been decided to arrange the twenty districts of the Presidency in five divisions of four districts each, one district in each group to be held by a Superintending Engineer, who shall be considered available for inspection duties within his group when required.

4. With this view, Major Hasted is selected for promotion to the rank of Superintending Engineer, third grade, to fill the vacancy caused by Colonel Bean's departure; his inspection division consisting of the Ganjam, Vizagapatam, and Godavery districts, in addition to his own, the Kistna district. The second division will consist of Bellary, Kurnool, Cuddapah, and Nellore. The third, of Chingleput, North Arcot, Salem, and South Arcot, with the Presidency and Bangalore. The fourth, of Coimbatore, Canara, Malabar, and the Neilgherries. The fifth, of Tanjore, Trichinopoly, Madura, and Tinnevelly.

5. Superintending Engineers will not be at liberty to leave their own districts for any purpose whatever, except under the special orders of Government. No periodical returns will be sent them from other districts; the allotment of repair funds and the check of rates will rest with the Chief Engineers. The offices of the

Inspecting Engineers will be abolished, and those of Superintending Engineers increased as follows, viz. :—

1st, 2nd, and 5th Divisions.

	RS.
1 Draftsman and Estimator	60
1 Clerk	40
Total ...	100

3rd and 4th Divisions.

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who will be available to accompany Superintending Engineers on inspections, or to be detached by them to the assistance of other District Engineers when needed, drawing the usual batta while absent from their head-quarters. Heads of offices will endeavour to provide for those unemployed members of Inspecting Engineer's establishments that may apply to them for employment. The Inspecting Engineers' offices may probably best be utilized as Medical Officers' quarters in connexion with the adjacent hospital (formerly the Public Works Workshop and Stores). The Consulting Architect will report upon this and on the provision of a new office for himself.

6. The above arrangements will take effect from the dates on which Colonel Foord and Lieutenant-Colonel Roberts respectively assume their district charges.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

No. 224. ORDER THEREON, 26th May 1874, No. 892.

Communicated to all Collectors for information.

(True Extract.)

Acting Chief Secretary.

To all Collectors.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

Govt. of Madras.

FINANCIAL.

To

ALL COLLECTORS.

Dated May, 26th.

Read.

G.O., 26th May 1874, No. 892.

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Nos. 223-224.

Public Works Inspection.—The Proceedings in the Public Works Department, sanctioning certain alterations in the present arrangements for the inspectionof of public works in the several districts of the Presidency by officers of that department, communicated to all Collectors for information.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
18th May 1874.

No. 383.

Under date the 18*th May* 1874, *No.* 1,328.

Establishment, No. 24.

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Secretary to Government.

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
,, Inspecting Engineer for Buildings.
,, ,, for Ports and Communications.
,, District Engineers.
,, Consulting Architect.
To Lieutenant-Colonel Kennedy.
To the Controller of Public Works Accounts.
,, Public, &c., Departments.
,, Revenue Department.
,, Military Department.

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Financial Department.

Govt. of Madras 1874

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

INSPECTING ENGINEERS,

&c., &c., &c.

Dated May 18th.

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Public Works Inspection. The Pros. in the P.W. Dept: Sanctioning certain alterations in the present arrangements for the occasional inspection of Pub. Works in the several Dts. of the Presy. by Engr. Officers, Comd. to all Colls. for information.