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No. 83. Read the following letter from Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, dated 29th September 1857, No. 4049.

SIR,

Since forwarding an autograph Extract yesterday from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer on Lieutenant Haig's application for an advance of his passage money, of Rupees (1,500) one thousand five hundred to England on the P. and O. Companys Steamer now under despatch, I have received the accompanying letter No. 60, dated 28th Instant from Lieutenant Haig, soliciting the permission of Government to retract his resignation of the Honorable Companys Military service, and requesting that he may be re-appointed 1st Class District Engineer of Guntoor, employed on particular duty in connexion with the navigation of the Upper Godavery.

One original letter from Lieutenant Haig.

2. As it is to be inferred from the priority of Lieutenant Haig's application for passage money, that he has already ascertained the favorable intentions of Government in behalf of his restoration to that branch of the service, of which he was so conspicuous an ornament, any formal recommendation from myself as Head of the D. P. W., that Lieutenant Haig's request should be complied with, appears to be unnecessary: I may however be permitted to express my grave regret that the former unexpected application from this Officer should have been submitted to the Government without due and careful diliberation previously.

3. It appears moreover to be my duty in laying Lieutenant Haig's present letter before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, to respectfully invite the attention of Government to the entire absence of any engagement on the part of the applicant, as to the length of time for which his future professional services may be calculated upon, I confess that after what has recently taken place the precaution appears to me to be indispensable of arriving at a distinct understanding with Lieutenant Haig, that his official connection with the important Project for which he has been so flatteringly and specially selected, shall not be abruptly terminated, and that it shall not cease until the public interests shall have reaped a full measure of the benefit to be anticipated from the increased knowledge and experience which the liberally endowed traveller will acquire during his examinations of the systems of inland navigation in other lands.

4. Unprecedented as the demand for every such prospective engagement may be, I am clearly of opinion that the sole condition of Lieutenant Haig's restoration to his former position, should be an absolute covenant on his own part that health permitting he will not renew his request for leave to resign the service of the Honorable Company until a full period of 5 years (or such time as His Lordship in Council, may deem an adequate return to Government) shall have elapsed from the date of his return to Indian duty.

Letter from Lieutenant F. T. HAIG, District Engineer, Upper Godavery; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated 28th September 1857, No. 60.

SIR,

Since sending you my application, of the 26th Ultmo, for permission to resign the service of the Honorable East India Company, circumstances have led me to re-consider the advisability of such a step at the present time, and I would now solicit the favor of being allowed to re-call my resignation and of being reinstated in my former appointment on the Upper Godavery.

2. In the event of this application meeting with the favorable consideration of the Government I beg to state that I am prepared to start for England by the Steamer which will probably leave Madras to-morrow, and to prosecute the investigation in Europe and America of the subject of the improvement for navigation of shallow rivers recently sanctioned by the Honorable Court of Directors.

Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 29th September 1857.

No. 81. ORDER THEREON, No. 1852; dated 29th September 1857.

Government do not doubt Lieutenant Haig being aware that he has been permitted to withdraw his resignation of the service on the understanding that he will continue in the service of Government, health permitting, at least until the special service for which he has been selected is accomplished. It is not therefore deemed necessary to call upon Lieutenant Haig to enter into an express engagement to this effect.

(Signed) H. FORBES,
Acting Secretary to Government.

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Central Office of P.W.
Fort St George 29th Sept.r 1857

No. 4049.

From,

The Chief Engineer,

To H. Forbes Esq.

The Secretary to Government &c &c

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Encls. one original letter from Lt. Haig

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the Q. (P.W.) and Naval Kings remark
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necessary: I may however be permitted to express
my great regret that the former unsuccessful
application from this officer should have
submitted to the Government without due
and candid deliberation from us.

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to Madras duty—

I have the honor to be
Sir.
Your most Obedient Hble
Servt
Lieut Colonel
Chief Engineer

Central Office of W.
Fort St George
29th September 1837

Ed Mallaplan

Extract from Com. Genl. Chief Engineer's letter dated 29th September 1852
Read the following letter from the Chief Engineer recommending Lieut. Stubbs for the appointment of Executive Engineer

Grant do not consider it necessary that he be kept permanently attached to any particular Division

Sanction as the undertaking is urgent

Sanction, Lieut. Stubbs being entitled to the usual allowance for that appointment, as laid down in Mil. Fin. Regn. 1837

Sanction as the service requires

Sanction, Lieut. Stubbs to be allowed to accompany the Agra Column as far as Delhi

Agreed —

Gl. Gen. Nov. 1857. No. 19.

Com. 29th Sept. 1857
No 1632.

From
The Chief Engineer.
To
The Secy. to Govt. (PWD)
Dated 29th
Recd 29th Sept. 1857

Encls. [illegible]
No. & Date 1852 29th Sept.

Submitted that in complying with the enclosed application for restoration to former position, the Govt. should require an engagement from Lieut. Stubbs to remain for a period of 5 years from date of his return to India, unless sooner called for, to apply for permission to resign the service of the North East Indian Company

1853.

Copy in a Letter to E.
of 4th Novr 1857. No 19.

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Cons. 29th Septr.

No. 1852.

Extract Minute of Cons:
of 29th Sept: 57.

1. Observing that Govt: do not doubt that Lieutenant Haig has performed his duties with diligence and ability in the service of that, until the special mission for which he was sent, is accomplished

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