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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 17th November 1857.

No. 33. Read the following letter from Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, dated 29th October 1857, No. 4797.

SIR,

As required by the concluding part of Para. 4, of Extract Minutes Consultation No. 1093, of the 3rd July 1856, I do myself the honor to report that the officers of the Department Public Works enumerated in the following list have failed to qualify in any native language as ascertained when called upon to appear before Boards of Examiners convened in the Mofussil under the orders of Government contained in the Extract Minutes Consultation No. 1066, of the 4th June last. namely.

1. Lieutenant Mayne Engineers. Acting District Engineer 1st Class North Arcot.
2. Lieutenant Beckley Do. Executive Engineer 4th Class Salem.
3. Assistant Commissary O'Hara Assistant Executive Engineer Presidency.
4. J. H. Dopping Esq., Covenanted Civil Engineer and 3rd Class Executive Engineer North Arcot.
5. F. Moncrieff Esq., Do. and Acting 3rd Class Dowlaishwarum.
6. E. E. Merrall Esq., Covenanted Civil Engineer Bezwarah.
7. R Kennedy Esq., Acting Executive Engineer 3rd Class East Coast Canal.

2. The members of the Public Works Department who succeeded in satisfying the Examiners on the same occasion with the above are.

1st. Lieutenant Fisher District Engineer 2nd Class Bellary.
2nd. Lieutenant Campbell Engineers Acting District Engineer 2nd Class Madura.
3rd. Lieutenant Chrystie Engineers Assistant Executive Engineer Tanjore.
4th. 2nd Lieutenant Hamond Engineers Assistant Executive Engineer, South Arcot (with distinction.)
5th. G. S. Sage Esq., Assistant Executive Engineer (with credit.)
6th. A. Rundall Esq., Uncovenanted Supernumerary Assistant Engineer Rajahmundry.
7th. G. P. Tuke Esq., Uncovenanted Assistant Executive Engineer Rajahmundry.
8th. G. Powell Esq., Uncovenanted Supernumirary Assistant Executive Engineer Bellary.
9th J. George Esq., Uncovenanted Assistant Executive Engineer Cuddapah.
10th. G. Leggett Esq., Uncovenanted Supernumerary Assistant Executive Engineer Cuddapah.
11th. B. T. Norfor Esq., Uncovenanted Supernumerary Assistant Executive Engineer South Arcot.

and I presume that the usual Moonshee allowance will be authorized to the above named gentlemen as well as to Messrs. Oakes and Hasted under Extract Minutes Consultation No. 1885, of the 6th Instant.

3. In reference to the seven members of the Department Public Works who have failed to qualify, it is perhaps to be regretted that the despatch from the Board of Examiners of the 24th Instant No. 201 (copy of which is now forwarded) does not contain the information which it was recommended in para. 3 of my letter No. 624 of the 25th May last, that the Government should be in possession of before proceeding to pass orders on each of the seven several cases of failure.

4. The Secretary to the Board of Examiners is altogether silent as to the amount of actual attainment in each case and without this knowledge it seems impracticable to submit any recommendation respecting the notice to be taken by superior authority of a deficiency in qualification which wears so discreditable an aspect. I cannot however withhold the expression of my regret that Lieutenant Mayne who has long had the encouragement of officiating in a grade not held by many of his Regimental and departmental Seniors, should have been found unable to transact the business of his office without the assistance of an interpreter after being more than seven years in the service, and I venture to respectfully suggest that as some slight manifestation of the displeasure of Government Lieutenant Mayne should be immediately superseded in his present temporary charge of a 1st Class District. I am of opinion also that Lieutenant Beckley whose two Regimental Juniors of the same standing Lieutenants Beatty and Hunter, passed in Teloogoo, long ago under circumstances in no wise more favorable than his own, should

receive some substantial manifestation of the displeasure of Government, and that he as well as Lieutenant Mayne should be required to qualify within a prescribed period subject to the penalty of removal from the D. P. W., if failure take place again.

6. The cases of the five remaining Gentlemen are not underserving I think of further indulgence on the ground of their smaller aptitude by reason of their age and position for the acquisition of an Oriental language, although Mr. O'Hara cannot fully claim the benefit of this consideration.

7. It still remains to arrange for the examination of Messrs. Fraser, Biggers, Horgan, H. B. Smith and Hawkins and it will be observed from Mr. Carmichael's letter that the qualifications of these Gentlemen are likely to be ascertained at no distant period.

Letter from D. F. CARMICHAEL, Esquire, Secretary to the Board of Examiners ; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated 24th October 1857, No. 201.

SIR,

Adverting to your letter No. 1430, dated 22nd June, the Board are now in a position to report to you the result of the general examination of Officers of your Department held in August last with some few exceptions.

Passed.	*Failed.*
1 Lieutenant Fisher.	1 Lieutenant Mayne.
2 „ Campbell.	2 J. H. Dopping Esq.
3 G. Powell Esq.	3 E. E. Merrall Esq.
4 G. S. Sage Esq., (with credit).	4 R. Kennedy Esq.
5 Lieutenant Hamond (with distinction).	5 Assistant Commissary O'Hara.
6 J. Rundall Esq.	6 T. Moncrieff Esq.
7 G. P. Tuke Esq.	7 Lieutenant Beckley.
8 J. George Esq.	
9 G. Leggett Esq.	
10 Lieutenant Chrystie.	
11 B. T. Norfor Esq.	

2. The *Tinnevelly* report was sent direct by the Committee at that station to the Government who informed* the Board that Messrs. *Oakes and Hasted* were found qualified.

* Extract Minutes Consultation, No. 1855, dated 6th October 1857.

3. The *Coimbatore* reports on Messrs. *Leggett and W. Fraser* are still due.

4. That Mr. *R. Smith* has passed, has already been intimated to you vide my letter dated 13th July 1857.

5. Mr. *H. B. Smith*, the Board learn, has been transferred from the Godavery Division to Kurnool a Committee will now be convened at the latter station Mr. *Hawkin's* papers will be sent to Vizagapatam, whether he has proceeded from the Eastern Coast Canal Division.

6. *Messrs. Horgan* and *Biggers*, it is understood, are absent on leave when they return to their duty, the Board request you will be good enough to inform them at what station they should be examined.

7. Agreeably to the instructions of Government communicated to them in a demi-official letter from the Acting Secretary, Department of Public Works, the Board have passed every candidate who was reported efficient in the Colloquial part of the test. Many gentlemen, however, exhibited a degree of acquaintance with the language of study sufficient to have enabled the Board to declare them qualified had the rules in force been applied in all strictness.

No. 34. ORDER THEREON, No. 2107; dated 14th November 1857.

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council learns with great regret that Lieutenants Mayne and Beckley have failed to pass the very light examination, which has been demanded of all Officers in the Department of Public Works, and which has been successfully passed by many holding junior rank, both in the District and the Corps of Engineers, to both of these Officers.

2. The Government resolve to request the Chief Engineer to inform Lieutenants Mayne and Beckley that, if the required standard of acquaintance with one Native language be not attained by them before the 1st of February next, they will be removed from the position they now hold in the Department of Public Works.

3. The usual Moonshee allowance will be granted to the undermentioned Gentlemen who have passed the required Examination, and the Chief Engineer will report on the case of Messrs. Fraser, Biggers, Horgan, H. B. Smith and Haukins whenever their examination may have been held.

Lieutenant Fisher,
Lieutenant Campbell,
Lieutenant Chrystie,
Lieutenant Hamond.

4. With reference to the Chief Engineer's recommendation for Moonshee allowance on behalf of Lieutenants Oakes and Hasted, the Government observe that the disbursement of the allowance to these Officers was sanctioned in the official Gazette of the 9th Ultimo.

5. Under the orders of the Government of India conveyed in Colonel Baker's letter of the 22nd February 1856, No. 752, and communicated to the Chief Engineer on the 15th March 1856, the Government remark that the Uncovenanted Civil Engineers, reported in the foregoing letter to have passed a satisfactory examination in one of the Native languages, are not entitled to the Moonshee allowance.

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

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No 4197

Central Office of A.W.
Fort Saint George
29 October 1857

From,
The Chief Engineer

To
The Secretary to Governt P.W.D.

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2 Lt Beckley— Do— Ec: Engr 4th Class Salem
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4 J.T. Dopping Esqre Covt 1st Engr & 3d Class Ec: Engr. Harcot
5 F Monceriff Esqre — Do— & Ag— Do— Dowlaishwaram
6 E.E. Merrall Esqre Covt 1st Engr. Berwarah
7 R. Kennedy Esqre Ag Ec: Engr 3d Class E.C. Canal.

under circumstances in no wise more favorable than his own, should receive some substantial manifestation of the displeasure of Government, and that he as well as Lieut. Blayne should be required to qualify within a prescribed period subject to the penalty of removal from the D.P.W., if failure take place again.

The cases of the five remaining gentlemen are not undeserving I think of further indulgence on the ground of their smaller aptitude by reason of their age and position for the acquisition of an Oriental language, although Mr O'Hara cannot fully claim the benefit of this consideration.—

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Central Office of P.W.
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Board of Examiner's Office
24th October 1857

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The Chief Engineer D. P. W.
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7 G. P. Tuke Esqre	7 Lieut. Beckley
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Recd. 29th Oct. 1857
Dispatch 17th Nov.
No. 224

From
The Chief Engineer
Fort Saint George

Dated 24th October 1857

No. 33.

Recd. 29th October 1857

Engineers
G. S. No. 2109—14 Nov. 1857

Enclosed Return of Officers examined by the Board of Examiners assembled by the Orders of Government in August last, and the Report of the Board thereon.

Fort Saint George, 24th October 1857.

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6. Messrs. Horgan & Biggers, it is understood, are absent on leave When they return to their duty, the Board request you will be good enough to inform them at what station they should be examined.-

Agreeably

* Extract thus taken No. 1855 dated 6/10/57

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I have the honor to be &c.

/Signed/ D. F. Carmichael
Secretary

/True Copy/
W. Ed. Oakes Colonel
Chief Engineer

Public Works Dept.

No. 247

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Under date the 14th Novr. 1857

Read the following

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Received 29 October 1857
No. 47971

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Extract from a letter from the Chief Engineer of the Public Works Department to the Secretary to Government dated 29th October 1857

Read 2nd Nov.

Copy of a letter from the Executive Engineer Dalhousie Division to the Chief Engineer Public Works Department dated 24th October 1857

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Public Works 1857 Dept.
D to Coms 17th Nov.

No 2107.

Extract Mins of Coms:
Dd 14th November 1857.

Extract from the Pro: of the Chief Engr. Dd 20 Nov 57 Cat. 2322 inclosed.

Requesting the Ch. Engr. to inform Lt. Wynne & Beckley that if the required Standard of Acquaintance with one of Native Language be not attained by them before the 1st Feby next they will be removed from the position they now hold in D.P.W. & Sanctioning the ordinal Moonshee allowance to certain gentlemen who have passed the required examination & declining the same allowance to others and requesting the Ch. Engr. to report on the case of Messrs Trader Biggers, Morgan, Smith & Hawkins whenever their

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examination may have been held pursuing that the officers mentioned may have passed the required examination are not entitled to Moonshee allowance.

Cat. 2322 of 20 Nov. 1857.