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No. 55. Read the following letter from Lieutenant Colonel W. E. BAKER, Secretary to the Government of India; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated Fort William, the 20th January 1857, No. 519.

SIR,

With reference to the correspondence noted in the margin,* regarding the travelling allowances granted to the Civil Engineers sent out from England, I am directed to forward the accompanying Extract, paragraph 29, from a Despatch from the Honorable the Court of Directors, No. 23 of 1856, dated 20th August remarking on the grant of exceptional Buggy or Palkee allowances to these gentlemen, and to state for the information of the Government of Madras, that, under the operation of the Notification of 17th June last No. 117, all such allowances will cease to be drawn in Bengal, North Western Provinces, and the Punjaub on the promotion of the recipients to grades of which the authorized salary exceeds the aggregate of their covenanted pay, and their present exceptional travelling allowance.

*From Secretary to the Government of Madras, No. 774, dated 7th November 1855.
To do. No. 2928, dated 21st December 1855.

Extract from a Despatch from the Honorable the Court of Directors, to the Government of India in the Public Works Department, No. 23 of 1856, dated the 20th August.

Letter dated 14th September (No. 31) 1855.
2 at 4 travelling expenses of Civil Engineers and supervisors appointed by the Court.

29. You have directed that these Officers shall be conveyed to their destinations at the public expense and that after reaching their respective Divisions, Civil Engineers shall be allowed 8 annas and supervisors 4 annas per mile for travelling expenses, so far the rule is consistent with our intentions, but the clause in the contracts made by us with every Officer of the classes mentioned, which provides that the East India Company "shall make such allowance as they may deem adequate for his travelling expenses to be incurred in the prosecution of his duties," was not intended to sanction the further allowances which you have granted to Civil Engineers and supervisors whether at Calcutta or in the Mofussil, viz. Rupees 45 per mensem to the former, for the maintenance of a horse and Buggy, and Rupees 30 per mensem to the latter for the maintenance of a horse or Palkee. These allowances are designed to cover travelling expenses within a radius of five miles, journeys beyond that limit being provided for by the mileage rate of 8 or 4 annas referred to above, but we would suggest that the same mileage allowance would answer as well within as beyond the five mile radius.

(True Extract.)

W. E. BAKER, Lieutenant Colonel,
Secretary to the Government of India.

No. 56. ORDER THEREON, No. 393; dated 28th February 1857.

Ordered to be communicated to the Chief Engineer and Civil Auditor, for their information and guidance.

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

No 519.

From Lieut.-Col. C. W. G. Baker
Secy to the Govt of India.

To J. D. Bourdillon Esqre
Secy to the Govt of
Fort St George.

Dated the 20th January 1857.

Public Works Dept
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I have the honor to be
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Your Most Obed. Servt

For. & William
The 20th January 1857

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Secy to the Govt by India

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Relative to travelling expenses of Civil Engineers & Executive Officers employed by the Court.

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For Mr St. George
28th February 1857

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