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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 24th March 1857.

No. 24. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer, dated 2nd March 1857, No. 10582.

Read the following letter from Lieutenant C. SCOTT, District Engineer of Madura ; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, D. P. W., dated Thunkurray 11th February 1857, No. 69.

SIR,

In forwarding the enclosed copies of applications from Assistant Overseer's Cooper, and Franklin of this District for the Military pay of their rank as Ordnance Artificers. I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to inform me whether the Extract Minutes of Consultation No. 713 of the 29th September 1855, which precludes their drawing any pay in the Military Department also prevents their drawing an equivalent to the same in the Public Works Department.

2. I would beg to remark that it appears to me that the individuals above mentioned together with Assistant Overseer DeLima, late Ordnance Artificer have a fair claim to an equivalent to Military pay, from the date of their ceasing to draw any money in the Military Department until the 1st Ultimo, when they were placed on the permanent strength of the D. P. W., as Civilians, because they received no increase of allowances in this Department to counterbalance the loss they sustained in the cessation of their Military pay they being paid both before and after that event, from the estimates of the works which they superintended.

3. In the event of your decision being favourable, I request that you will be good enough to inform me how I am to draw funds for making the payments herein alluded to.

Resolved, with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation dated 4th February 1857, No. 259 and to the Chief Engineer's letter No. 10336 dated 18th February 1857, to forward to Government for information, and orders, Copy of the foregoing letter No. 69 dated 11th February 1857, and of its enclosure from the District Engineer of Madura, recommending the disbursement of Military pay to Ordnance Artificers Cooper and Franklin now employed as Assistant Overseers in the D. P. W.,

(Signed) C. E. FABER, Colonel,
Chief Engineer.

No. 25. ORDER THEREON, No. 506; dated 20th March 1857.

In the Extract Minutes of Consultation dated 29th September 1855, No. 613, it was decided that Ordnance Artificers employed as Surveyors or Overseers, should receive their pay in those grades respectively and that however employed, they should cease to draw Military pay. The recommendation of the Chief Engineer, for the disbursement of Military pay to Ordnance Artificers Cooper and Franklin, now employed as Assistant Overseers in the Department Public Works, cannot therefore be acceded to.

2. The Government observe that the orders of the 29th September, were communicated to the Chief Engineer and that the rule there laid down was repeated in Minutes Consultation 4th February 1857. The Chief Engineer had therefore the means of disposing of the reference of the District Engineer of Madura, without again troubling the Government with the subject.

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

№ 10582

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Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works Fort St George Under date the 2nd March 1857.

Read the following letter

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From

Lieut. C. Scott

Off. Engr. of Madura

To

The Chief Engineer &c &c &c

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Madura Dr.
Engrs Office
Penthurray
11th Feby/57

I have &c.
(Sd) G. Scott Lt
Dy Engr

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Issuance &c, Pay of Artificers

I have &c
(Sd) A.H. Scott Colonel
Chief Engr

To

The Secretary to Govt.
Public Works Dept.

Fort St George
2nd March 1857

Copy to the Chief Engr Civil Affairs

Resolved that the orders of the 29th ult. be communicated to the Chief Engineer and that the rule therein laid down was repeated in Mr. Secretary Cumbs Consultation 4th February 1857.

The Chief Engineer had therefore the powers of disposing of the services of the Ordnance Artificers without reference to Govt. the Public Works Secretary

Ex. Cons: 2 October 55 No 31-32
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" 3 March " 93-94

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Dated 21st March/57
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Forwarding extract Proceedings of Chief Engineer & Inst. Min of Cons. No 209 dated 4th Feb^y Copy of a letter from the Dep^y Chief Engineer Madras dated 11th Feb^y 57 No 69 with its enclosure recommending the disbursement of Military Pay to Ordnance Artificers Cooper & Franklin now employed as Assistant Overseers in the P.W.D.

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Thereon Order.
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