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From

F. Lushington, Esqre
Civil Auditor

To, H. Forbes Esqr
Acting Secretary to Government
Department Public Works

Dated 6th March 1857.

Sir, C. 2944

I have the honor to request you will obtain for me the instructions of Government on the following points connected with the Rules for the Department of Public Works published in the Supplement to the Fort Saint Gazette of the 29th January last.

2. By clause V para 4 of the above rules it is ordered that, when an Officer makes a daily journey on public duty leaving his camp Standing he may draw the allowances specified in Clauses III and IV.

3. Under this rule a bill has been recently submitted for my audit by Captain Collyer, Superintending Engineer, Centre Division, who on the occasion of his performing an Inspection tour proceeded to Bangalore, the period occupied in the journey being 10 days, and the distance travelled 205 Miles 7 furlongs.

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4 For this journey, Captain Collyer claims Rs 102-8-0 for the distance travelled and Rupees 60 in addition on account of the per diem allowance - The former charge, I am willing to admit, as Captain Collyer travelled daily half a mile in excess of the distance laid down in Rule II; but to the latter, I demur, as I do not consider that a Superintending Engineer who is quitting the Presidency on account of Ordinary tour of inspection can be viewed as "leaving his camp standing" as provided in Rule V, and which rule it appears to me was framed to meet the case of an Officer encamped in one part of his District and obliged by the exigencies of the Service to make a rapid dawk journey to a distant portion of it, and subsequently returning to the place where his camp was left standing. This rule would of course be also applicable to Superintending Engineers under similar circumstances but when proceeding on an ordinary inspection tour - I consider the travelling allowances should be restricted to that laid in either Rule II or IV according as the distance travelled may exceed or fall short of 20 Miles - the allowances granted in Rule III being given

given for the days of halting within the limits therein specified - In the present instance, it is proper to remark that had Captain Collyer occupied 11 instead of 10 days in the Journey he would have been entitled to only 66 Rupees instead of the 160 Rupees now claimed by him.

5 The other point in which I have to solicit the instructions of Government is in regard to the rate of remuneration to be granted to an Executive Officer Officiating as District Engineer, on which point paras 10 and 11 of the foregoing rules are silent.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedt. Servt.
S. Lushington
Civil Auditor.

Civil Auditor's Office,
Fort Saint George,
The 6th March 1837.
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The Civil Auditor.

To

The Acting Secretary
to Government
P. W. D.

Dated 6th March 1837
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Submits a few points
connected with the Rules
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3 On the supposition that I am wrong I request that the Civil Auditor under whose directions I presume these revised Bills have been prepared, will be good enough to add to the bill 6 Rupees for the 1st February upon which day I halted also 6 Rs. a day for the 25th and 26th February during which days my Camp was left standing at Calwarbi.

4. The distance from Kurnool to the Officiating Commissioners Camp at Calwarbi, at which I camped, and which is above

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to the road, is 20 miles 4 furlongs by the actual mile stones, and by them I have charged and not 17-4, the distance from Tonnagul via Daragee to Curlimy is 20-4 not 20-8 as certified by the Acting Quarter Master General, the other distances in some instances more, and in some less, have been charged either by the road book of 1839, or as in the instance of the 25th 55 miles 4 furlongs as charged in the bill for St. Blaphas heave, and not 58-2 as certified by the Acting Quarter Mr. General.

5. In conclusion, I have the honor to state, that the distances charged have been the direct distances and not the miles round about as one is often compelled to go.

Cuddapah District
Cuddapah, 17th March
1857.

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Asst. Engineer Central Circle

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8 Cabbage Nos
Bills.

Respectfully to submit the foregoing letter from the Superintending Engineer C. Circle No. 32. of the 17th March 1857 to the Civil Auditor with an Impression of the

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Chief Engineer's decided opinion that the two rates namely daily and mileage are not admissable together. The larger charge for Journeys in excess of 20 miles gives a minimum of 18 Rupees per diem instead of Rs 6 and this seems clearly to be the meaning of relief liberally granted by Government.

2. In respect to the 2d para of the Subordinate Engineer's letter, this Office is not to question the wisdom of the rules but to administer them as they now exist.

/Attest/
(Sd) C.E. Faber Col.
Chief Engineer

To the Civil Auditor
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/True copy/
(Sd) C. Lushington
Civil Auditor

Comp'd E.L.

Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 21st April 1857.

Read the following papers.

No. 22. Letter from F. LUSHINGTON, Esq., Civil Auditor; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, dated 6th March 1857, No. 2944.

SIR,

I have the honor to request you will obtain for me the instructions of Government on the following points connected with the rules for the Department of Public Works published in the Supplement to the Fort Saint George Gazette of the 29th January last.

2. By Clause V para. 4 of the above rules it is ordered that, when an officer makes a dawk journey on public duty leaving his Camp standing, he may draw the allowances specified in Clauses III, and IV.

3. Under this rule a bill has been recently submitted for my audit by Captain Collyer, Superintending Engineer Centre Division, who on the occasion of his performing an Inspection tour proceeded to Bangalore, the period occupied in the journey being 10 days and the distance travelled 205 miles 7 furlongs.

4. For this journey, Captain Collyer claims Rupees 102-8 for the distance travelled and Rupees 60 in addition on account of the per diem allowance. The former charge, I am willing to admit as Captain Collyer travelled daily half a mile in excess of the distance laid down in Rule II; but to the latter I demur as I do not consider that a Superintending Engineer when quitting the presidency on account of an ordinary tour of inspection can be viewed as "leaving his Camp standing" as provided in Rule V, and which rule it appears to me was framed to meet the case of an officer encamped in one part of his district and obliged by the exigencies of the service to make a rapid dawk journey to a distant portion of it, and subsequently returning to the place where his Camp was left standing. This rule would of course be also applicable to Superintending Engineer's under similar circumstance but when proceeding on an ordinary inspection tour. I consider the travelling allowances should be restricted to that laid in either Rule II, or IV, according as the distance travelled may exceed or fall short of 20 miles the allowances granted in Rule III, being given for the days of halting within the limits therein specified. In the present instance, it is proper to remark that had Captain Collyer occupied 11 instead of 10 days in the journey he would have been entitled to only 66 Rupees instead of the 160 Rupees now claimed by him.

5. The other point on which I have to solicit the instructions of Government is in regard to the rate of remuneration to be granted to an Executive Officer Officiating as District Engineer on which point paras. 10 and 11 of the foregoing rules are silent.

No. 23. Memo, from the Civil Auditor.

The Civil Auditor has the honor to forward herewith the copy of an Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works, bearing date the 23rd Instant, No. 11209, with reference to his letter to the Acting Secretary to Government of the 6th Idem, No. 2944.

Civil Audit office,
Fort Saint George,
24th March 1857.

(Signed) F. LUSHINGTON,
Civil Auditor.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer, in the Department of Public Works, Fort Saint George, under date the 23rd March 1857, No. 11209.

Read the following letter from Captain G. C. COLLYER, Superintending Engineer, Central Circle; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated Cuddapah, 17th March 1857, No. 32.

SIR,

I have the honor, with reference to the accompanying tentage Statements, prepared a fresh and returned for my signature, to point out that I believe the meaning of the tentage rules laid

down to be this, that by Clause III para. 4 of G. O. G. No. 29 of January 1857, I am entitled to 6 Rupees a day for tentage under the limitation of Clause I, and that I am so entitled, because I have, during the month of February 1857, kept up a marching establishment, also that I am entitled when marching more than 20 miles a day to both allowances whether I leave my Camp standing or not.

2. Should I be mistaken in this respect I would point out that it is [illegible] for the good of the public service that a man should be allowed to keep his Camp standing and [illegible] journeys of 11 or 12 miles out and back when by sending his tents onwards he can make a journey of above 20 and be advancing on the direction of his future route.

3. On the supposition that I am wrong I request that the Civil Auditor under whose directions I presume these revised Bills have been prepared, will be good enough to add to the bill 6 Rupees for the 1st February upon which day I halted also 6 Rupees a day for the 25th and 26th February during which days my Camp was left standing at Calwah.

4. The distance from Kurnool to the Officiating Commissioners Camp at Calwah, at which I camped, and which is close to the road, is 20 miles 4 furlongs by the actual mile stones, and by them I have charged and not 17-4; the distance from Toornagul via Darogee to Curkuny is 20-4 not 20 miles 8 furlongs as certified by the Acting Quarter Master General, the other distances in some instances more, and in some less, have been charged either by the road book of 1839, or as in the instance of the 25th 55 miles 4 furlongs as charged in the bill for Lieutenant Blagraves bearers, and not 58 miles 8 furlongs as certified by the Acting Quarter Master General.

5. In conclusion, I have the honor to state, that the distances charged have been the direct distances and not the miles round about as one is often compelled to go.

Resolved to submit the foregoing letter from the Superintending Engineer Central Circle No. 32, of the 17th March 1857, to the Civil Auditor with an expression of the Chief Engineer's decided opinion that the two rates namely daily and mileage are not claimable together. The larger charge for journeys in excess of 20 miles gives a minimum of 10 Rupees *per diem* instead of Rupees 6 and this seems clearly to be the measure of relief liberally granted by Government.

2. In respect to the 2nd para. of the Superintending Engineer's letter, the purpose is not to question the wisdom of the rules but to administer them as they now exist.

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

(A true Copy.)

(Signed) F. LUSHINGTON,
Civil Auditor.

No. 24.

ORDER THEREON, No. 665; dated 9th April 1857.

The Civil Auditor submits for the orders of Government, a claim to travelling allowance preferred by Captain Collyer, Superintending Engineer Centre Division, under Clause V. para. 4 of the Rules, which declares that "when an Officer makes a dawk journey on public duty, leaving his Camp standing, he may draw allowances under both Rules III and IV."

2. As it would appear from his letter to the Chief Engineer, submitted with the Civil Auditor's Memo, that Captain Collyer was not travelling dawk with his Camp standing, the Government are decidedly of opinion that his claim to draw allowances under both Rules III. and IV, is inadmissible. The Civil Auditor will therefore adjust that Officer's bill under Rule IV, the distance travelled being greater than 20 miles a day.

3. With reference to the point submitted by the Civil Auditor in the concluding para. of his letter, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council resolves to submit it for the orders of the Government of India.

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

No. 25. Ordered in consequence that the following letter be despatched.

From H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George; to Lieutenant Colonel W. E. BAKER, Secretary to the Government of India, D. P. W., dated 9th April 1857, No. 666.

SIR,

The Civil Auditor having requested the instructions of this Government regarding the rate of remuneration to be granted to an Executive Engineer Officiating as a District Engineer, I am directed to submit the question for the orders of the Government of India.

2. Para. 11 of the Rules published in the Supplement to the Fort Saint George Gazette of the 29th January last, directs that an Assistant Engineer Officiating as Executive Engineer shall be allowed Rupees 100 per mensem, with travelling allowances as an Executive Engineer, in addition to his salary as an Assistant Engineer. This Rule is worded in the same terms as para. 12 of the Rules published by the Government of India, on the 17th June 1856, but as it is silent with respect to the remuneration to be given to an Executive Engineer Officiating in the higher grade of District Engineer, I am directed to solicit the orders of the Government of India, on the subject.

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No 3135.

Memorandum.

The Civil Auditor has the honor to forward herewith the Copy of an Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works, bearing date the 23d instant, No 11,209, with reference to his letter to the Acting Secretary to Government of the 6th idem, No 2944. —

A. Livingston
Civil Auditor.

Civil Audit Office,
Fort Saint George,
24th March 1857

To
The Acting Secretary to Government
Depart. of Public Works.

& Enclosure

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For Orders

Subsist: Stores Department Apl 1856

Subsist: Stores Department C.A. March 1857.

From the Civil Auditor C.A. March 1857.

12 Items and Abstract

Asst Comptr Subsist: Stores transmitting the claims of the undermentioned persons for the amounts set against their respective names for Forage supplied the Commissariat Department during the months of January & February 1857 as per Abstract annexed

Amount Claimed

Rupees

Purchased Forage

Purchased Straw

Total

Inv. Items 103 / Departmen
D.to Cov.s 21st April

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Memo from the Civil Auditor

Dated 24th } March 1857
Recd 25th }
S.P. No 665. 9 April

Forwarding copy of an Extract from the Proc.s of the L. Engr bearing date the 23d Inst. No 1120 with reference to the Civil Audr's Letter to the Ag. Secy to Govt of the 6th Inst. No 2944, submitting certain points for the orders of Govt connected with the Rules for the D.D.s

c 31st March R4th April

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& consider the Ground
reasons why the allowance
of C. B. P. Pa during the
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11/7/07. Kelly

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that Lieut Pratt he frequently left his
camp to march on the Ground
which he made Excursions by dark from
work on either side: Atlantic Ocean
Pacific

merely travelling towards
his destination in Billings
& return 20. miles
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his Camp at any Particular
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towards to see a work
more than 20 miles
distant. He could 9
Thirds justify claim
under Rule V. — but as
the case is presented

A collection of readings in Sir Joseph Hooker's mention of his visit to the Polar Regions Arrents & Stone Plans distant from the high road. Opto, there will be room for Cuddy to lay his Claim

An executive acting for a Dock Engr should draw the higher rate of Prevailing Mow.s

I think Capt.n Calder should be called upon to state precisely what he was doing his Cause was left standing as proved for by Rule V- of his Charter proceedings

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I agree with the suggestion of Lord Chief Capt Calder should be called on to state what he was doing his Cause was left standing as proved for by Rule V of his Charter proceedings.

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Extract from the Minutes of Consultation.

Under date the 9th April 1857

Read the following Papers:

From the Civil Auditor.

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of the Govt of India.

Ordered that the
following letter be despatch

To
Lieut Colo W C Baker
Secy to the Govt of India
D. P. W.

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Copies to the Chief Engr.
" Audr Genl
— Civil Auditor

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Public Works 1857 Dept.
Dft to Comr. 21st Apl

No. 665.

Extract Mins. of Coms.
Dd 9th April 57.

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respect to claim
to travelling allowance
preferred by Captain Cooper,
that he was not at the time
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