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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.
Comm. 21.4.57

G.O. No.	26	Press Mis.
/45-46		
Dated	20-4-	1857.

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

No. 145. Read the following letter from Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, dated 2nd April 1857, No. 11527.

SIR,

I do myself the honor to transmit copy of a letter from the Superintending Engineer Southern Circle, on a tour of inspection together with original documents connected with his own marching allowances, and the very moderate batta which Major Lawford, claims for his small Office establishment. The Civil Auditor having felt it his duty to demur, to the allowances of these amounts on the score of defective authority, I have to request that you will do me the favor to move the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to authorise the same for payment.

No. 146. ORDER THEREON, No. 726; dated 20th April 1857.

With this letter, the Chief Engineer submits one from the Superintending Engineer of the Southern Circle on the subject of travelling allowances to himself and batta to his office establishment.

2. The Government have, in Extract Minutes Consultation 22nd January last, authorized the Civil Auditor to pass Major Lawford's travelling allowances agreeably to the rules contained in the Notification of the 17th June 1856, and no further order on that portion of the reference is necessary. As regards the second point, which relates to the batta to the office establishment, the only point on which there has been any demur, the Civil Auditor applies for the authority under which the charge has been incurred, deeming the order of the 29th December 1856, quoted by Major Lawford to be insufficient. The Government think that this requisition should have been complied with in the first instance before referring the matter for their decision.

3. Application has been made to Bengal for information as to the practice obtaining there of paying batta to office servants in the Public Works Department, and pending the receipt of a reply no decision can be passed upon the question.

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

N^o 97

Superintending Engineer's Office S. C.

Camp Colacamund 26 March 1857

From

Major E. Lawford

To

Superintending Engineer

Southern Circle

Colonel C. E. F. J. J.

Chief Engineer

Department of P. W.

Sir

I have the honor to forward for your consideration two original documents and inclosures received from the Civil Auditor.

The first is an objection to my travelling allowance for the journey from Madras to Cuddalore and back in December last, and the Civil Auditor calls for a statement of the places visited "although I visited none but Cuddalore" which I have stated already.

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The Quarter Master General's certificate appended shows a distance of 238 miles or 115 $\frac{1}{2}$ from Madras to Cuddalore which is probably correct for the road by Kellianon, but the transit by which I travelled takes the Mylume road, and the 118th milestone by that line stands in New Town Cuddalore

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The second paper from the Civil Auditor relates to the bill of the public servants.

servants attached to me on Circuit and this Mat.
lin I can only commend to your kind considera-
-tion in behalf of men who are certainly exposed
to every discomfort and risk in the performance
of their present duty.

4 The arrangements for the pay-
-ment of my little establishment are in an unsa-
-tisfying feeling, and I trust you will give some
definite orders relating thereto.

I have the honor to be
Camp Ootacamund (Signed) E. Sawford.
26 March 1873 Supd. Eng. Southern Field

True Copy

W. L. L. Colonel

Chief Engineer

P. W. D.

N^o 726.

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Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Under date the 20th April 1857.

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The Chief Engineer

to the Secy to Govt

26th 23rd April 1857

Recd.

No 11524

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B.L.

9 Copies to the Chief Engr.
with a Orig. Encl. Dis. 21st
1-11 Civil Auditor

Public Works 1857 Dept
Gr 6 Am 21st April

No 726

Michael & Henry Co
20th April 1857.

From Chief Supr
20th July 1857. No 1031
in 125 reg.

Unlucky has got a
house lately erected the soil
is rather high & the ground is
rather low, in consequence, and the
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