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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 28th April 1857.

No. 13. Read the following letter from Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, dated 15th April 1857, No. 11706.

SIR,

In conformity to the orders of Government conveyed in the Extract Minutes Consultation Revenue Department No. 1341 under date the 17th October 1854, I do myself the honor to report for the information of His Lordship in Council, that 2nd Lieutenant F. A. Howes of Engineers placed himself under my personal orders for Departmental instruction on the 10th February last, and commenced his regular six hours daily attendance at the Central office on that date.

2. 2nd Lieutenant F. A. Howes has been particularly attentive to his studies, and has not only completed the usual course of drawing hydraulic constructions, of estimate and Bill making, with exercises in designs for buildings and other works under varying conditions laid down by the Adjutant, but has also in a degree made himself acquainted with the Current routine of Departmental Official business in the Madras Presidency.

3. Looking to the likelihood of his professional employment on the several projects for the improvement of harbours on the Western Coast in the District of Canara where there is only one Officer of Engineers, Lieutenant Howes has commenced the study of Canarese at my suggestion, and has been made acquainted with the necessity of his passing an examination in that language agreeably to the standard prescribed by the Board of examiners on the 6th August 1856, within a period of one year.

4. The marked assiduity and exemplary punctuality of attendance exhibited by 2nd Lieutenant F. A. Howes, have already qualified that Officer to be employed with advantage in the Public service on detached duty, and in continuation of my despatch No. 11207 of the 23rd March last, I now do myself the honor to recommend upon the grounds therein stated, that Lieutenant Howes may be nominated a Probationary Assistant Engineer, on a staff salary of Rupees (112) one hundred and twelve, per mensem.

5. In the event of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council being pleased to authorize the employment of 2nd Lieutenant Howes in the D. P. W. in the Provinces, I should wish him to stand appointed to the District of Canara; but should it be desired to retain the services of this Officer as a Member of the Avady Committee, agreeably to his recent nomination by His Excellency in G. O. C. C. of the 4th Instant, I would propose that as a temporary measure he be attached to the District of Chingleput, until the Proceedings of the Committee are closed, or until his services can be dispensed with. I need scarcely point out that his duties in connexion with the Avady Committee will by no means occupy his time so fully, but that he may be otherwise usefully employed under the District Engineer of Chingleput.

6. In conslusion I have to point out that I have not felt at liberty to defer the present report until honored with a reply to my previous application, the orders being precise to make known the progress of young Officers of Engineers at the end of two months, which in the case of 2nd Lieutenant F. A. Howes expired on the 10th Instant.

No. 14. ORDER THEREON, No. 753; dated 22nd April 1857.

Agreeably to the recommendation of the Chief Engineer conveyed in paras. 4 and 8 of the above letter, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint Lieutenant Howes as a Probationary Assistant Engineer on a Staff Salary of Rupees (112) one hundred and twelve per mensem, and to direct that he be employed in the Chingleput District when not engaged on the Avady Committee.

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

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to such person not engaged
on the Navy Committee

J. D.

9 Copies to the Chief Engr.
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