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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 13th July 1858.

No. 60. Read the following letter from Major E. LAWFORD, Superintending Engineer in charge of the Central Office of Public Works; to W. H. BAYLEY, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, dated 24th June 1858, No. 1393.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for submission to Government, 1 Copy of letter from Captain O'Connell, No. 2 dated 21st June 1858. the accompanying transcript of a letter from Captain P. P. L. O'Connell, now on duty at Nellore, having reference to his present pay and allowances.

2. In consequence of the wording of the order in the Fort Saint George Gazette of the 15th Instant, placing the services of that Officer at the disposal of the Public Works Department for employment in the Nellore District, an uncertainty exists as to whether the salary to be drawn by him, is to be debited to the Public Works or Railway Department.

3. I would beg to suggest for the consideration of His Lordship in Council, that as Captain O'Connell more properly belongs to the Department last referred to, he may be permitted to draw the salary of Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways; and as he is now employed on the duties of a Superintending Engineer in the inspection of work &c; sanction may be accorded for the disbursement to him of the Travelling Allowances drawn by those Officers, when engaged on similar duties; unless the Government should see fit to authorize the grant to him of both the salary and allowances of a Superintending Engineer, and direct the charge to be debited to this Department.

Letter from Captain P. O'CONNEL, Engineers; to Major E. LAWFORD, Superintending Engineer, in charge of Central Office of Public Works, dated Nellore 21st June 1858, No. 2.

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will do me the favor of obtaining an Order of Government on the subject of the appointment which I am now supposed to be holding; The General Order of Government published in the Fort Saint George Gazette of the 15th Instant does not state what it is, and the Officiating Consulting Engineer for Railways has forwarded for my signature a letter stating that I have handed over to him the Office of the Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways.

This shows so clearly that there is an uncertainty about the matter, that I am induced to request, that the Civil Auditor and I may be informed, whether I am to be considered to be holding the appointment of Officiating Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways, or an appointment in the Department of Public Works.

I shall also feel obliged if the Civil Auditor can be authorized to pass my Travelling Allowance from Madras to Nellore, and informed whether the charge is to be made in the Railway Department, or in that of Public Works.

No. 61. ORDER THEREON, No. 1329; dated 10th July 1858.

Para. 1. With this letter, the Superintending Engineer in charge of the Central Office submits a copy of one from Captain P. P. L. O'Connell, having reference to his present employment in Nellore. From the wording of the order, placing that Officer's services at the disposal of the Public Works Department, Captain O'Connell represents that some uncertainty exists as to whether he belongs to that or the Railway Department; he requests that the Civil Auditor may be instructed to pass his travelling allowance from Madras to Nellore, and enquires whether the charge is to be made in the Railway or Public Works Department.

2. Major Lawford suggests that as Captain O'Connell more properly belongs to the Railway Department, he should be permitted to draw the salary of Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways, and that as he is now doing the duties of a Superintending Engineer, the travelling allowance drawn by Officers of that class should be disbursed to him, if not, both the salary and allowances of a Superintending Engineer.

Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 13th July 1858.

3. Captain O'Connell's substantive appointment is that of Assistant to the Chief Engineer. On the 27th April he was appointed Acting Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways, but did not take up that appointment until the 13th June. On the 15th of that month, his services were placed temporarily at the disposal of the Public Works Department for employment in Nellore, in consequence of Major Lawford's representing that Lieutenant Mullins, the District Engineer was disabled by an accident from attending to his duty, and requesting that the services of an Engineer Officer might be placed at his immediate disposal to exercise close professional superintendence over the Pennair Annicut works during the continuance of Lieutenant Mullins' illness. The Government do not see that by the arrangements now existing Captain O'Connell occupies the position of Superintending Engineer, or that he has any claim to the salary or travelling allowance of an Officer of that rank.

4. Captain O'Connell will be granted the travelling allowance authorized by the Rules to the appointment of Assistant to the Chief Engineer; his salary will be that of Assistant to the Chief Engineer and Acting Deputy Consulting Engineer, and must form a charge against the Public Works Department so long as his services are at the disposal of that Department. The Government would wish to know from the Officiating Chief Engineer, in what manner he would propose to meet this charge. They would also wish to know, what is the present position of Lieutenant Mullins, and what pay he is drawing. He would seem to have been unable to attend to duty since the 20th May last, and yet not to be on leave of absence either on private affairs or on sick Certificate.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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From,

Captain P. O'Connell

Engineers

To,

Major E. Lawford

Superintending Engineer

In Charge of the Central Office of P.W.

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will do me the favor of obtaining an Order of Government on the subject of the Appointment which I am now supposed to be holding; The General Order of Government published in the Fort St. George Gazette of the 15th Instant does not state what it is, and the Officiating Consulting Engineer for Railways has forwarded for my signature a letter stating that I have handed over to him the Office of the Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways. This shows so clearly that there is an uncertainty about the matter, that I am induced to request, that the Civil Auditor and I may be informed whether I am to be considered to be holding the appointment of Officiating Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways

Railways, or an Appointment in the Department of
Public Works.

I shall also feel obliged if the Civil
Auditor can be, authorized to pass my travelling
allowance from Madras to Nellore, and informed whether
the charge is to be made in the Railway Department, or
in that of Public Works.

Nellore

21st June 1858.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

/ Signed / P. Connell, Captain

Engineers.

/ True Copy /

Received of Major
Supp. Engrs in Charge of the
Central Office of P.W.

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Central Office of P.W.D.
Fort St. George
24 June 1858

N: 1393

From,
The Superintending Engineer,
In Charge of the Central Office of P.W.D.
To,
The Secretary to Government.
P. W. D.

Public

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for submission

Enclosure 1.

1. Copy of letter to Government, the accompanying transcript of a letter from Captain O'Connell, dated 21st June 1858 from Captain P. D. L. O'Connell, now on duty at

Nellore, having reference to his present pay and allowances.

2. In consequence of the wording of the order in the Fort Saint George Gazette of the 15th Instant, placing the services of that Officer at the disposal of the Public Works Department for employment in the Nellore District, an uncertainty exists as to whether the salary to be drawn by him, is to be debited to the Public Works or Railway Department.

3. I would beg to suggest for the consideration of His Lordship in Council, that as Captain O'Connell

(none)

Enclosure in a letter from the
Superintending Engineer in Ch.
of the Central Office of P.W.D.

To,
The Secretary to Government.
P. W. D.

Dated 24

June 1858.

P. W. D. N: 1393

Copy of a letter from Captain

O'Connell, Engineer, Nellore,
to be forwarded with an order of your
appointing him to the special duty
of visiting and reporting on the
works of the Nellore District, and the
Nellore District, and the Nellore District,
as an Officer in the P.W.D. Department,
also that the Nellore District, and the
Nellore District, and the Nellore District,
allowances from Nellore to Nellore.

more properly belongs to the department last referred to, he may be permitted to draw the salary of Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways, and as he is now employed on the duties of a Superintending Engineer in the inspection of works &c, sanction may be accorded for the disbursement to him of the travelling allowances drawn by those officers, when engaged on similar duties, unless the Government should see fit to authorize the grant to him of both the salary and allowances of a Superintending Engineer, and direct the charge to be debited to this Department..

Central Office of P.W.
Fort St. George
24 June 1858.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant

Chew
Major.
Superintending Engineer in
Charge of Central Office of P.W.

To,
The Secretary to Government.
P. W. D.

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W-1329 P.W.D.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Under date the 10th July 1858.

Read the following letter
from the Superintending Engineer
in charge of the Central Office
of Public Works.

(Here enter 24th June 1858 52-1393.)

Q1. With this letter the
Superintending Engineer in
charge of the Central Office was
submitted a copy of one from
Captain E. P. L. O'Connell having
reference to his present em-
ployment in Nellore. From
the wording of the order plac-
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the disposal of the Public Works
department, Captain O'Connell
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exists

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Col. H. H. 1858 Department
of Public Works
No. 1404

From
The Supy. Engineer in Charge
of the Central Office of
P.W.D.
The Secretary to Government
P.W.D.

Dated 11th June 1858
Recd. 24

No. 1393
P.W.D. 1858
Enclosure 1

Enclosed transcript of a
letter from Captain O'Connell
now on duty in Nellore, and
requesting the authority of Govt.
to enable him to draw the pay
of Supt. Consulting Engineer of Railways
and the allowances of a Supt. Engr.
during his present inspection.

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exists as to whether he ^{belongs} to that
or the Railway department;
he requests that the Civil
auditor may be instructed
to pass his travelling allow-
ance from Madras to Bellare
and enquires whether the
charge is to be made in the
Railway or Public Works
department.

2 Major Lawford
suggests that as Captain
OConnell more properly
belongs to the Railway depart-
ment he should be permitted to
draw the salary of Deputy
Consulting Engineer for
Railways, and that as he
is now doing the duties of
a Superintending Engineer,
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drawn by officers of that
class should be disbursed
to him, if not, both the

Salary

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salary and allowances of
a Superintending Engineer.
3 Captain OConnell's
interim appointment
is that of Assistant to the
Chief Engineer. On the 27th
April he was appointed
Acting Deputy Consulting
Engineer for Railways,
but did not take up
that appointment until
the 13th June. On the 15th
of that month his services
were placed temporarily
at the disposal of the
Public Works department
for employment in Bel-
lary, in consequence of
Major Lawford's represent-
ing that Lt. O'Sullivan the
District Engineer was
disabled by an accident
from attending to his
duty, and requesting
that the services of
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an Engineer Officer ought
be placed at his immediate disposal to exercise close professional supervision over the Peninsular Annular works during the continuance of Lieutenant Mullins' illness. The Government do not see that by the arrangements now existing Captain Offence occupies the position of Superintending Engineer, or that he has any claim to the salary or travelling allowance of an Officer of that rank.

11. Captain Offence will be granted the travelling allowance authorized by the Rules to the appointment of Assistant to the Chief Engineer.

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Engineer; His salary will be that of Assistant to the Chief Engineer and Acting Deputy Consulting Engineer, and must form a charge against the Public Works Department so long as his services are at the disposal of that Department. The Govt would wish to know from the officiating Chief Engineer in what manner he would propose to meet this charge. They would also wish to know what is the present position of Lieutenant Mullins and what pay he is drawing. He would seem to have been unable to attend to duty since the 20th May.

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to be on leave of absence
either ^{on} private affairs
or sick certificate.

JP

2 Copies to the Offg Chief Engr. Dept 17.

1 - Accts. Clerk

1 - Civil Engin.

Public Works 1858 Sept 10.
D^o to Cons: 13th July.

No. 1329.

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Extract Minis of Cons:
D^o 10th July 58.

From the Chief Eng^r of 10th July
1858. C. D. 1586. in Cons. 27.
From the D^o of 21st July 58 C. D. 1618
in Cons: 31st Augt/58 C. D. 3738

Sanctioning the grant
of travelling allowance to Capt
Connell at the rate authorized
by the rules to the appointment
of a J. P. to the Chief Engineer
and requesting the Off^r Chief
Engineer to furnish certain
information connected with his
appointment in Bellore =

Copy to the J. P.
Indin - 11 March 59.
R: 547

No. 60861.

cbth July 28th