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Cons. 28-7-57

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Dated 28—7—1857

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No. 85. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer, dated 20th July 1857, No. 2197.

Read the following letter from Mr. JOHN BROSNAHAN, Covenanted Overseer; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated 14th July 1857.

SIR,

Fearing that I might be considered troublesome, I have not, until now, ventured to bring myself under your notice, and even now I have great need of, and therefore beg, your kind indulgence.

My present object in addressing you is to bring to your notice the very small sum allowed me for travelling allowance 1½ Rupees per day, and may I indulge in the hope that when you take into account the difficult nature of the travelling I have had to perform, through unexplored and notoriously unhealthy jungles requiring more than an ordinary amount of moral as well as physical energy to sustain one, you will agree with me that this sum falls far short of any thing like fair remuneration.

What I therefore respectfully solicit is, that the travelling allowance of a Sub Engineer be allowed me, and may I beg to add that for this or any other consideration you may think fit to bestow on me you shall have increased exertion on my part and in all cases my very humble but most unfeigned thanks.

Resolved to forward copy of the foregoing letter to Government; with the Chief Engineer's recommendation, that Mr. Brosnahan's application to be permitted to draw the travelling allowances of a Sub Engineer, be complied with, on the ground of his superior qualifications; and the express terms of his Covenant with the Honorable East India Company which secure to him his bonâ fide expences whilst travelling on public duty.

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

No. 86. ORDER THEREON, No. 1447; dated 28th July 1857.

The Government remark that Mr. Overseer Brosnahan claims a higher rate of travelling allowance than properly is payable to Officers in his grade of the Establishment, on the ground of the great moral as well as physical energy required to travel in the limits within which his duties have been performed.

2. The Chief Engineer in forwarding the claim recommends it, on the ground that Mr. Overseer Brosnahan's bonâ fide travelling expences were guaranteed to him by the Honorable Court.

3. The Overseer's claim and the Chief Engineer's recommendation are therefore based on different grounds, and before passing orders on the question, Government desire that Mr. Brosnahan may be requested to state whether the travelling allowance he has hitherto drawn has equalled his expences.

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

No 2197

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works. Vol 5th Page

Under date the 20 July 1857

No 2195

Read the following letter

Mackrow

July 14th 1857

From

John Brownlow

Asst Engineer

To

Colonel Fisher

Chief Engineer dated 4th July 1857

Sir,

Fearing that I might be considered troublesome, I have not, until now, ventured to bring myself under your notice, and even now I have great need of, and therefore beg, your kind indulgence.

My present object in addressing you is to bring to your notice the very small sum allowed me for Travelling allowance 1½ Rs per day- and may I indulge in the hope that when you take into account the difficult nature of the travelling I have to perform through

unexplored and notoriously unhealthy Jungles
requiring more than an Ordinary Amount
of Moral as well as physical energy
to sustain one, You will agree with me
that three Guineas per Month is very
little Remuneration.

What I therefore respectfully
Solicit is, that the Travelling Allowance
of a Sub Engineer be allowed me, and
may I beg to be told that for this or any
other Consideration you may think fit to
bestow on me You shall have no cause
to think on my part and in all Cases my
very humble but most respectful thanks.

I have &c
Wm D. Brandreth

Resolved to Communicate
Copy of the foregoing Letter to Government,
with the Chief Engineer's Recommendation,
that Mr Brandreth's application to be
permitted to draw the Travelling Allowances
of a Sub Engineer, be complied with,
on the Ground of his Superior qualifications,
the expense of his Command notwithstanding

To
The Honorable East India Company
which Secure to him his bonâ fide
professional Travelling or public
duty.

I have &c
A. Whitehill Colonel
Chief Engr

Ed.
Fort William 1st Jany 1825.

P.W.D.

No 11447

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Under date the 28th July, 1857.

Read the following

Extract from the Proceedings of

the Chief Engineer

/Here inter 28th July 1857 No 2197/

The Government

remark that Mr Overseer

Brosnahan claims a higher

rate of Travelling allowance

than properly is payable to

officers in his grade of the

Establishment, on the ground

of the great moral as well

as physical energy required

to travel in the limits within

which his duties have been

performed.

2 The Chief Engineer

in forwarding the claim

recommends

Rec'd 28th inst. Chief Engineer's Office 28th July 1857 No 11447

Rec'd 22nd Aug. Chief Engineer's Office 22nd Aug. 1857 No 12855

Rec'd the 31st inst. Chief Engineer's Office 31st July 1857 No 12855

Recommendation of Chief Engineer

Application from Mr Overseer Brosnahan, Cashel, for Travelling Allowance at the rate of 2/6 per mile.

Submitted for the sanction of the Government.

Chief Engineer's Office

28th July 1857

Sanction granted

By Order

Secretary

Chief Engineer's Office

28th July 1857

Transmitted to Mr Overseer Brosnahan, Cashel, for information.

recommends it, on the ground that Mr Overseer Brosnahan's bonâ fide travelling expenses were guarranteed to him by the Honorable Court.

3 The overseer's claim and the Chief Engineer's recommendation are therefore based on different grounds, and before passing orders on the question, Government desire that Mr Brosnahan ~~may be desired~~ requested to state whether the travelling allowance he has hitherto drawn has equalled his expenses.

J Christie to the Chief Engr
Dec 29

Public Works 1857 Dep.t
Cons 28.th July.

No 1447.

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of 28.th July 57.

Ex: from the Chief Engineers
Rep.t Sept. 1857 C. No 1665 inclos.
& Dep.t.

Before passing orders on Mr
Quarrier-Brosnahans claim for
a higher rate of travelling allow
ance than properly is payable
to Officers in his grade of the
Establishment desiring the
Chief-Engineer to request
that Officer to state whether
the travelling allowance he
has hitherto drawn, has
equalled his expences.

No 085486.

C 21 July 1225