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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
from 30th April to 3rd May 1859.*

No. 54. Read the following Extract Minutes Consultation in the Military Department,
dated 20th April 1859, No. 1503.

Communicating letter from the Adjutant General of the } (Vide Military Consultation 29th April 1859,
Army regarding Captain G. A. Searle of the 35th Regi- } Nos. 13 @ 15.)
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No. 55. ORDER THEREON, 3rd May 1859, No. 1026.

Ordered to be communicated to Captain Searle, with reference to his letter of the 4th April
1859 and also to the Chief Engineer for his information.

(Signed) W. C. SIM,
Ag. Dy. Secretary to Government.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

No. 1503.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, 20th April 1859.

Read Extract Minutes of Consultation, Public Works Department.

Forwarding a letter from Captain G. A. Searle, stating that he has passed the prescribed examination for Officers in the Engineer Department, and requesting that he be employed in the Department Public Works. (Here enter 13th April 1859, No. 878.)

Referred to the Commander-in-Chief, with advertence to letter from Adjutant General No. 121, dated 21st February 1859, to the Acting Secretary to Government Military Department.
15th April 1859.

From the Adjutant General of the Army, Fort Saint George, 18th April 1859, No. 400 ; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor, by order of the Commander-in-Chief, to acknowledge receipt of Minutes of Consultation in the Public Department, dated 13th instant, No. 878, referred with your memo. of the 15th idem for His Excellency's observations.
2. In his letter to Mr. Bourdillon dated 4th instant, Captain Searle states, that the decision that he "not having passed for the Staff is ineligible for an appointment," is a mistake, as the order for passing in Hindustani for employment in the Department Public Works was rescinded.

3. The Commander-in-Chief observes that in my letter* to your address, dated 21st February last, No. 121, the ground of Captain Searle's ineligibility is stated to be his "not having passed the prescribed examination in the Native languages," meaning the examination prescribed for Officers of the Public Works Department in G. O. C. C.

22nd August 1856, No. 55, viz., "either the Staff examination in Hindustani, or a Vernacular examination" of corresponding standard in Telooquo, Tamil, Canarese or Malayalum ; in addition to the examination for a Company in Hindustani.

4. From the papers accompanying the Minute of Council referred to His Excellency, it appeared that Captain, then Lieutenant Searle, did pass an examination in Canarese as required from Officers of the Engineer Department by Minute of Council, dated 17th October 1850, the standard for which is however much inferior to the test subsequently established under orders from Government in G. O. C. C. 22nd August 1856, for Officers of the Public Work Department ; corresponding as Captain Searle's examination does, with that laid down for charge of a Company viz.

- I. Translating from a plainly written Native letter or report, of easy style.
- II. Reading out the same.
- III. Conversation with Natives on ordinary topics.

5. Captain Searle's examination took place at Sircee in July 1856, the G. O. C. C. being dated 22nd August of that year. The report on that Officer's examination was forwarded direct to Government by the Chief Engineer on the 23rd August 1856, with his recommendation that Moonshee allowance might be passed to Lieutenant Searle, although in the Military Department that allowance is not issuable except to those who undergo a creditable examination on the Papers for an Interpreter.

6. Had Captain Searle continued in the Department, no question could have arisen as to his withdrawal from Regimental duty; but having once been removed from the Department, and returned to his Corps, the Commander-in-Chief, under existing Regulations on the subject, did not feel himself at liberty to give any other reply to your application for Captain Searle's services, than that contained in my letter to your address under date 21st February last, No. 121.

Ordered that the foregoing letter from the Adjutant General of the Army, be communicated to the Department of Public Works.

(True Extract & Conv.)

To the Department Public Works.
„ Adjutant General.

Mumtaz Ali
Ag. Dy. Secretary to Government.

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Exd. J. E. Cashart.

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the Military Obit.

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Commencing letter
from the 1st instant to
General of the Army
regarding Capt. J. S.
Sawell of the 35th Regt.
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24th 1026. 3rd Aug 1859.
With our orders

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Ordered to be done.

He would, with reference
to his letter of the 14th
1859 and also to the Aug.
Enquirer for his information

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with H. M. C. Burdett. 15th 1853.
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