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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
from 5th to 21st October 1859.*

No. 115. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. BELL, Chief Engineer ;
to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated 4th October 1859,
No. 5725.

In reply to the enquiries of Government, contained in paragraph 3 of their proceedings, dated 30th August 1859, No. 2075, I have the honor to report, that
1 Original letter from officer in charge of Godavery Division, No. 89, dated 20th September 1859, with its enclosure. Mr. Moncrieff drew acting allowance as 3rd class Executive Engineer vice Captain Hutchinson, up to the 10th May 1859, the date of the final orders of Government making the Bengal rule relative to acting allowances in the Department Public Works applicable to this Presidency.

2. The orders of Government of the 25th March 1859, No. 706, from which date the acting allowance drawn by Mr. Moncrieff should have ceased, were duly circulated for the information of the officers of the Department Public Works ; but it appears from the records of this office, that the late Chief Engineer having failed to perceive " their meaning, intent or applicability," applied to the Civil Auditor for a definition and illustration of the same. The latter officer in reply intimated, that the question had been referred for the decision of Government, whose orders on the subject, dated 10th May 1859, No. 1106, appear to have resulted from this reference.

3. The above seems the only explanation that can be given of the circumstances under which Mr. Moncrieff had been permitted to draw the acting allowance subsequently to the 25th March last. The District Engineer, Godavery Division, was called upon to furnish explanation on this point ; but I regret to state that the reply of the officer at present in charge of that division does not give the information required by Government, viz., " under what circumstances Mr. Moncrieff was permitted to draw acting allowance subsequently to the order of the 25th March 1859, No. 706," nor is it to be gathered from Mr. Moncrieff's letter, dated 20th September 1859, No. 365, copy of which he encloses.

4. Since writing the above, the proceedings of Government, dated 30th ultimo, No. 2339, have been received, in which the subject is disposed of.

No. 116. ORDER THEREON, 13th October 1859, No. 2432.

Ordered that the foregoing letter be recorded.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Central Office
Fort Saint George
4 October 1859

N^o 5725

From
The Chief Engineer
To
The Secretary to Government
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Central Office
For Saint George
4 October 1859

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Your most Obedient Servant

W. H. D. Lieut. Colonel
Chief Engineer

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by (signature) Clerk

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