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Public Works DEPARTMENT.
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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
for the month of November 1859.*

No. 20. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. BELL, Chief Engineer; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated 4th November 1859, No. 6872.

1. I have the honor to forward for submission to Government, the accompanying correspondence with the District Engineer of Bellary, on the subject of Captain Syme's claims to pay from the 29th April to 7th July last.

From the District Engineer, Bellary, dated 9th August 1859, No. 151 with 2 enclosures.
Proceedings to do. do. dated 15th Sept. 1859, No. 5043.
From do. do. dated 4th Oct. 1859, " 243 with 4 enclosures.

2. Captain Syme was acting Executive Engineer, 4th class, vice Ford, when he was remanded to his regiment by G. O. G. 27th April 1859. He was reappointed to the department by G. O. G. 10th June last, as acting Assistant Executive Engineer, vice Lawford, but the order of Government, dated 31st May last, No. 1316, having vitiated that appointment, he was reappointed by G. O. G. 8th July last, as Assistant Executive Engineer, vice Harington.

3. The circumstances connected with the case are fully reviewed in my proceedings of the 15th September last, No. 5043, herewith forwarded, and it appears unnecessary to reiterate them here. The Civil Auditor admitted Captain Syme's claim to salary up to the 29th April, the date of Lieutenant Chrystie's appointment, vice Ford, and from that date to the 24th June, the date of his reported arrival in the district, by virtue of his appointment of the 10th June. I have disallowed his claim to pay, being of opinion that the District Engineer ought to have relieved him, and could have done so immediately on that officer's remand. The Civil Auditor having admitted Lieutenant Chrystie's claim to pay from the 29th April, there appears to be no source from which Captain Syme's claim if admitted, could be met unless it is sanctioned as an extra charge, and this I do not find sufficient grounds to recommend.

4. Captain Syme's claim to pay from the 24th June to the 7th July appears to me, however, worthy of consideration. Although his appointment of the 10th June was a mistake, yet as he has in virtue of it taken up his appointment on the 24th June and actually performed its duties, I consider that his salary should be defrayed as a contingent or extra charge of the Public Works Department, and I therefore, beg to recommend that his claim may receive the favorable consideration of Government.

No. 21. ORDER THEREON, 22nd November 1859, No. 2717.

The Government fully agree in the Chief Engineer's view of the merits of this claim, as respects both the period before Captain Syme was relieved from his charge, and that after he resumed it. Under the peculiar circumstances, however, the Governor in Council resolves to give Captain Syme the allowance for both periods, viz. as Acting Executive Engineer from the 29th April to the 6th June; and as Acting Assistant Engineer from the 24th June to the 9th July. The amount will be debited as an extra charge.

2. The Government fully concur also in the opinion expressed by the Chief Engineer as to Captain Fisher's proceeding in detaining Captain Syme so long after the order of the 27th April; and Colonel Bell will communicate to Captain Fisher this disapproval of his conduct.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
Secretary to Government.

Central Office of Public Works
Fort Saint George
4 November 1859

No 6872
From, The Chief Engineer
To, The Secretary to Government
Public Establishment
Sir,

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Central Office of Works
Fort Saint George
4th November 1859

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Your Most Obedt. Servant
H Bell Lieut Colonel
Chief Engineer

To
The Secretary to Government
M.D.

P.W.D.
 No 2717
 Proceedings of the Madras Government
 Under date the 22nd Nov 1859

Read the following
 letter from the Chief
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[Signature]
 W.M.

20th Nov 1859
 Chief Engineer Bellary

From the Chief Engineer
 to the Secretary to Government
 Public Works Dept^y

Dated 4th Nov 1859
 No 2717-22 & 26 Nov 59

No 2717-22

8th Dec 1859

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