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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, for the month of December 1859.

No. 43. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. BELL, Chief Engineer; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated 1st December 1859, No. 7883.

8 Bills.
1 Copies of letters to Civil Auditor, Nos. 7235-7394, dated 15th and 18th November 1859.
1 Letter from Civil Auditor, No. 576, dated 21st November 1859.

Messrs. Fraser, Ratigan, Wilson and Baywater.

Letters to Civil Auditor, dated 15th and 18th November 1859.
From " " 21st Novr. 1859.
Messrs. Rodham and Tyndall.

Adverting to orders of Government, No. 2258, 20th September 1859, paragraph 4; in which the Chief Engineer was directed to adopt whatever course he considered best for the accommodation of the young Engineers of the 1st and 2nd class on their arrival from England; I have the honor to forward 4 bills for the month of October, submitted by the Probationers of the 2nd class named in the margin, together with my correspondence with the Civil Auditor on the subject of them. I also forward two bills from the Probationers of the 1st class and request you will be so good as to obtain the sanction of Government to them all, less in each case the amount of increase of salary sanctioned in the orders of Government, No. 2498, 24th October 1859.

2. In explanation of the charge I beg to remark, that as the stay of these young men in Madras was expected to be very short, I directed them to put up at one of the hotels in the Mount road; the only alternative there appeared then to be, as Government did not consider it requisite that a furnished bungalow should be engaged for them; and those of the 1st class were informed that the Government would pay 1½ Rupee a day of the expense, that amount being the fair proportion for lodging alone of the whole charge, Rupees 4, made at the hotel for board and lodging; while, to those of the 2nd class, whose pay was too small to enable them to meet the expenses to a greater extent, I decided that an allowance of Rupees 2½ a day should be made.

3. As the Government have since then been pleased to grant the Probationers an increase of salary from the date of their arrival in India, it is only proper that this amount should be proportionally deducted which has been done accordingly.

4. Additional bills for the month of November from Messrs. Fraser and Ratigan are also enclosed.

5. In conclusion I beg to remark, that these gentlemen have been waiting here thus long; two* for passages to Kakinada in a steamer and two† for an examination for admission into the Engineer establishment Department Public Works. They will all now proceed to their destinations on the 1st or 2nd instant.

* Messrs. Rodham and Tyndall.
† Messrs. Fraser and Ratigan.

No. 44. ORDER THEREON, 23rd December 1859, No. 2980.

Under the circumstances of the case the Government resolve in partial modification of their order dated 24th October last No. 2498, that the increase of salary authorized to be passed to the Probationary Engineers from the date of their arrival in India, shall take effect from the date of their departure from Madras, and that the expense of their lodging at the hotel shall be borne by the State.

2. The Chief Engineer recommends that 1½ Rupee a day shall be allowed for this purpose to the Engineers, and 2½ to the upper subordinates on the ground of the smaller allowance of the latter. The Government admit the validity of the plea; but as no good reason appears for making this difference in favour of the lower class, they authorize the Chief Engineer to allow 2½ Rupees a day to the Engineers also.

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

Pub. Works Dept

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Read

Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 23 December 1857.

Read the following letter
from the Chief Engineer

Submitting for sanction
Bills for Hotel charges ~~for~~
Lodging for the months
of October and November of the Pro:
Engineers lately arrived from
England.

(Here enter 1st December/59 pt 7853)

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Engineers from the date of
their arrival in India, shall
take effect from the date of
their departure from Madras,
and that the expense of their
lodging at the Hotel shall
be borne by the State. The

2. The Chief Engineer ~~is requested~~
recommends

to adjust the Bills accordingly
~~but it is to be understood that~~ by the fair and bona
fide charge for lodging is
to be paid, and is to be in
the same for both Classes of
Probationers.

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10 Copies to the Chief Engr Dispd 24th
1 " " Accountant Genl
3 " " Cmdr Audr Rs

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