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

No. 74. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. BELL, Chief Engineer; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated 14th December 1859, No. 8312.

I have the honor to forward for submission to Government, the accompanying letter from the District Engineer of Tanjūr, recommending Subramani Ráo and Ponia Mudali, for employment as Sub-Overseers 2nd class in his district.

2. Subramani Ráo and Ponia Mudali have not passed the examination prescribed for lower subordinates, but the District Engineer submits recommendation rolls to show their qualification, and he states that they have both been constantly employed as executive agents, and have shown themselves qualified for the post.

3. To guard against prejudice to the public interest, the District Engineer, in the absence of passed candidates has already appointed Gunnapathi Pillai and Mr. McGuire to act in the vacancies of Suburoia deceased and Gunnapathi Pillai dismissed, and he requests authority to fill up these appointments permanently by the persons named above, viz. Subramani Ráo and Ponia Mudali, who are now in the public service and are perhaps not disposed to quit their permanent appointments, and take up acting ones, which under present rules hold out to them no prospect of their duration.

4. For some time the number of past candidates must necessarily be small and as most of the Sub-Overseers have been originally entertained more for their practical than for their theoretical knowledge of their profession, and as Ponia Mudali is stated in the recommendation roll to have been formerly a draftsman and assistant maramut superintendent of the district, and Subramani Ráo to be qualified in five languages, and to understand estimate making, drawing and accounts, and the practical duties of a Sub-Overseer, I am of opinion that though they have not passed the prescribed examination, they would for their practical knowledge be an acquisition to the department, and I therefore recommend, that the District Engineer may be authorized to entertain them in the vacancies, should no past candidates be forthcoming within a month from this date.

5. I also recommend that the acting appointments made by the District Engineer to meet present exigency, may receive the approbation of Government, to enable the Civil Auditor to pass the salaries of Mr. McGuire and Gunnapathi Pillai, until such time as the appointments may be permanently filled up.

6. With reference to paragraph 4 of the District Engineer's letter, I have to state for the information of Government, that Mr. Overseer Ottmann has been relieved from his appointment of superintendent of maramut of the Shevagunga zamíndári, and that orders have been sent for his immediate return to his permanent post in Tanjūr.

No. 75. ORDER THEREON, 24th December 1859, No. 2995.

Under the circumstances represented, the Governor in Council authorizes the arrangement recommended in paragraph 4 of this letter; but he desires that the Chief Engineer will make it public that the vacancies exist, and invite passed candidates. Should any offer, he will weigh their claims with those of the two men now recommended.

2. The acting appointments reported in paragraph 2 are sanctioned.

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

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Central Office of Works
Fort Saint George
14th Decr 1859

N^o 8312

From
The Chief Engineer
To
The Secretary to Government
P.W.D.

General
Statement

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Encl. 1 Letter with 3
inclosures

Sir,

I have the honor to forward
N^o 221 dated 24th Novr 1859 for submission to Government the accompanying letter from the District Engineer of Tanjore recommending Subramani Rao and Ponja Mudali for employment as Sub Officers 2nd Class in his District.

2. Subramani Rao and Ponja Mudali have not passed the examination prescribed for lower subordinates, but the District Engineer submits recommendation Rolls to show their qualification and he states that they have both been constantly employed as Executive Agents and have shown themselves qualified for the post.

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I also recommend that the Acting appointments made by the District Engineer to meet present exigency may receive the approbation of Government to enable the Civil Auditor to pay the salaries of Mr McGuire and Gurnapathi Pillai until such time as the appointments may be permanently filled up.

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Fort St. George } Sir,
14 Dec 1859 } Your Most Obedt Servant

W. L. L. L. Lieut. Colonel
Chief Engineer

To
The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
Fort Saint George

Ms. 29952

Präsident in Comm.
Ginsburg, Secy.
Chas. H. Smith

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can be found
on earth or
in heaven.

Dear Sir,

