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No. 70. Read the following letter from CECIL BEADON, Esq., Secretary to the Government of India, with the Governor General; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated Camp Meerut, 21st December 1859, No. 790.

I am directed by the Governor General to state for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council, that the services of Captain Francis Applegath of the 33rd Madras Native Infantry, Executive Engineer of the Bhundara division, are replaced at the disposal of the Government of Fort Saint George.

2nd. A copy of a correspondence with the Commissioner of Nagpūr regarding that officer, is herewith enclosed.

From Major E. K. ELLIOT, Commissioner of Nagpūr; to CECIL BEADON, Esq., Secretary to the Government of India in all Civil Departments, with the Governor General, Camp Cawnpūr, dated 12th November 1859, No. 111.

I have the honor to submit for the orders of Government, a copy of the correspondence noted on the margin,* having reference to a recommendation made by Colonel Boileau that Captain Francis Applegath of the 33rd Madras Native Infantry, Executive Engineer of the Bhundara division, be removed from the Public Works Department of the province, in the event of his proceeding to the coast on medical certificate.

2. Captain Applegath was appointed Executive Engineer of the 4th class in this province by Government notification in the Public Works Department, No. 151, dated the 1st June, in accordance with a recommendation made by the Chief Engineer, a copy of which was forwarded to Colonel Yale with my predecessor's letter, No. 11, dated the 6th of February last, but in consequence of Colonel Boileau having on various occasions complained of Captain Applegath's inefficiency during the time that he was in temporary executive charge of the Nagpūr division, Mr. Plowden in May last, prior to the receipt of the orders permanently appointing Captain Applegath to the department, had addressed the Chief Engineer on the subject of his qualifications; a copy of the correspondence† which then took place is also herewith annexed, and although the Chief Engineer did then notwithstanding Mr. Plowden's caution adhere to his former recommendation that Captain Applegath should be appointed to the Bhundara division as an Executive Engineer of the 4th class, it is evident that he has now, after 10 months experience come to the conclusion that Captain Applegath is not qualified for even a comparatively small charge. Under these circumstances, therefore, as the Chief Engineer is in my opinion not only the person best able to judge of the qualifications of his subordinates, but is also the officer immediately responsible for their fitness, I would suggest if the Government concur in Colonel Boileau's views, that Captain Applegath be removed from his appointment and his services replaced at the disposal of the Government of Fort Saint George, without any reference whatever to his leave on medical certificate, and which ought, it appears to me, to have nothing to do with the question at issue.

From Colonel A. HENRY E. BOILEAU, Chief Engineer, Nagpūr; to Major E. K. ELLIOT, Commissioner of Nagpūr, dated 29th October 1859, No. 2340.

I have the honor of forwarding for your information, as requested by Captain F. Applegath, copies of the undermentioned correspondence relative to his application for leave, and of bringing to your notice that his No. 229, dated 25th instant, does not apply for any leave in particular, but after protesting against my course of procedure, announces that he has made over charge of the Bhundara division to Assistant Overseer Sergeant J. H. Sharpe and is gone away, he does not say whether on medical certificate in anticipation of leave.

2. After a trial of ten months, I may safely declare that Captain Applegath's services are not worth Rupees 300 per month when present at his head quarters still 150 Rupees in addition to his Regimental allowances which when away from it for more than a few days, I therefore recommend that as regards the Public Works Department he should only have temporary leave under rule 10, page 184 of the Code for 15 days, from the 25th instant to the 8th November 1859, and that leave should be obtained from the Government of India to place his services at the disposal of the Government of Fort Saint George for military duty, if he does not rejoin his appointment at Bhundara by the latter date, notwithstanding, that a medical committee at Kemptee may uphold the sick certificate granted by Apothecary Harper.

1. Copy of letter, No. 214, dated 18th instant, from the Executive Engineer, Bhundara division, to my address.
2. Do. No. 2228, dated 20th instant in answer.
3. Do. No. 219, dated 22nd instant, from the Executive Engineer, Bhundara division, to my address.
4. Do. No. 2288, dated 24th instant in answer.
5. Do. No. 222, dated 25th instant, from the Executive Engineer, to my address.

From Captain F. APPLEGATH, Executive Engineer, Bhundara division, D. P. W.; to Colonel A. H. E. BOILEAU, Chief Engineer, Nagpur, dated 18th October 1859, No. 214.

I have the honor to request the favor of your granting me 9 days privilege leave from the date of my quitting the Bhundara division, delivering over charge of division to Serjeant J. H. Sharpe, Assistant Overseer.

From Colonel A. H. E. BOILEAU, Chief Engineer, Nagpur; to Captain F. APPLEGATH, Executive Engineer, Bhundara division, dated 20th October 1859, No. 2228.

In answer to your letter, No. 214, dated 18th instant, I have the honor of stating that as you returned to Bhundara from privilege leave only a few weeks ago, I have not any authority to grant you even one day's privilege leave until after the expiry of half a year from the date of your rejoining.

2. If you require temporary leave (with the forfeiture of half your staff salary), under rule 10, page 184 of the Code, I will apply to the Commissioner of Nagpur for nine days or more if required.

From Captain F. APPLEGATH, Executive Engineer, Bhundara division; to Colonel A. H. E. BOILEAU, Chief Engineer, Nagpur, dated 22nd October 1859, No. 219.

In acknowledging your letter, No. 2228, dated 20th October 1859, I have the honor to request you will do me the favor to apply to the Commissioner for temporary leave, (handing over charge of the division to Serjeant J. H. Sharpe, Assistant Overseer, Bhundara division), under rule 10, page 184 of the Code, from the 27th October till the 15th November 1859, in anticipation of leave being granted me on medical certificate to proceed to the nearest coast.

From Colonel A. H. E. BOILEAU, Chief Engineer, Nagpur; to Captain F. APPLEGATH, Executive Engineer, Bhundara division, dated 24th October 1859, No. 2288.

In answer to your letter, No. 219, dated 22nd instant, applying for temporary leave from the 27th October to the 15th November 1859, in anticipation of leave being granted you on medical certificate to proceed to the coast, I have the honor of stating that Lieutenant-Colonel C. S. Guthrie of the Bengal Engineers, my predecessor at Nagpur, and Lieutenant W. H. G. Palmer, of the 40th M. N. I. Executive Engineer of the Chanda division, were both summarily removed from their appointments by the Government of India for quitting the province on medical certificate almost immediately after having joined their situations.

2. If you wish simply to apply for temporary leave from the 27th October to the 15th November 1859, I am ready to submit the case to the Commissioner of Nagpur for favorable consideration, but if this leave has any connexion with an intended departure for the coast on sick certificate, you having so very recently taken charge of the Bhundara division, appear liable to be removed altogether from your appointment, as were the two officers above mentioned.

From Captain F. APPLEGATH, Executive Engineer, Bhundara division D. P. W.; to Colonel A. H. E. BOILEAU, Chief Engineer, Nagpur, dated 25th October 1859, No. 222.

In acknowledging your letter, No. 2288, dated 24th October 1859, I have the honor to express my feelings of deep regret and surprise that you should show such utter want of consideration to an officer of my character and standing. In the first place, I complain that you should have refused me a few days privilege leave when I applied for it on 18th October 1859, when I have only had 6 days leave during the last 3 years of my service, and when refusing the favor I asked, you plainly stated that if I would apply for temporary leave with the loss of half my staff salary, under rule 10, page 184, new Code, you would ask the Commissioner for it; and when I did apply for it accordingly on the 24th October last, you absolutely threaten me with the loss of my appointment, because under the trying circumstances in which I have been placed for the last 4 months, my health has given way under anxiety and exertion; I trust, however, that some more favorable view will be taken of my position by higher authority.

2. It is now 13 years since I first entered the Department Public Works, in 1846, having served five years at once in one division under Colonel Arthur Cotton, a very distinguished Engineer officer, to his entire satisfaction, and I consider your threat or hint whatever you may be pleased to call it, as most uncalled for and very arbitrary, and considering the emergent nature of the case, viz. the dangerous illness of my wife of which you have been for some time past well aware, I have ventured under these circumstances to quit the division under a medical certificate granted me by the medical officer here, and have this day handed over the division to Serjeant J. H. Sharpe, Assistant Overseer, Bhundara division.

3. In conclusion, I have now the honor to request that a copy of this letter may be sent to the Commissioner as my urgent remonstrance on this subject.

From Major E. K. ELLIOT, Commissioner of Nagpur; to Colonel A. H. E. BOILEAU, Chief Engineer, Nagpur, dated 2nd November 1859, No. 792.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 2340, dated the 29th ultimo, with the enclosures marginally* noted, and in reply to grant Captain Applegath leave of absence for 15 days from the 25th ultimo to the 8th instant, under rule 10, page 184 of the Public Works Code, agreeably to your recommendation.

- 1 * Executive Engineer, Bhundara division, to Chief Engineer, Nagpur, No. 214, dated 18th October 1859.
- 2 Chief Engineer in reply, No. 2228, dated 20th idem.
- 3 Executive Engineer, Bhundara division, to Chief Engineer, Nagpur, No. 219, dated 22nd idem.
- 4 Chief Engineer in reply, No. 2228, dated 24th idem.
- 5 Executive Engineer, Bhundara division, to Chief Engineer, Nagpur, No. 222, dated 25th idem.

2. With reference to the remaining portion of your letter under acknowledgment, I observe some previous correspondence in this office on the subject of Captain Applegath's fitness for an executive charge, the whole of which will be laid before Government with his proposed application for leave on medical certificate.

From Colonel A. H. E. BOILEAU, Chief Engineer, Nagpur; to Major E. K. ELLIOT, Commissioner of Nagpur, dated 5th November 1859, No. 2450.

As requested by Captain F. Applegath, Executive Engineer of the Bhundara division, in his letter, No. 4 A, dated Kamptee the 4th instant, I have the honor of forwarding in original, after retaining a copy for record, letter No. 3 A, of the same date from the abovementioned officer to Lieutenant A. B. Cumberlege, Officiating Personal Assistant Commissioner, requesting that his services may not be dispensed with in the Public Works Department in the Nagpur Province, should he even be compelled to go to the nearest coast on medical certificate.

2. From the nature of the certificate given some years ago by Colonel A. Cotton of the Madras Engineers to Captain Applegath, I had hoped that although unequal to managing the Nagpur division he might be able to conduct satisfactorily the duties of a small one like Bhundara; but his way of doing business is so indifferent, his professional knowledge so disproportionate to the long time he has been in the department; and his capability of remaining out of doors to inspect his works after 3 A. M. so small, that I am not inclined to recommend his being retained any longer in the Public Works Department, if he quits the Bhundara division now.

From Captain F. APPLEGATH, Executive Engineer, Bhundara division; to Lieutenant A. B. CUMBERLEGE, Personal Assistant to the Commissioner, Nagpur, dated Kamptee, 4th November 1859, No. 3 A.

With reference to a letter, No. 2340, dated 29th October 1859, received from the Chief Engineer, Nagpur, to the address of Major Elliot, Commissioner of Nagpur, I have the honor to request you will do me the favor to lay the following particulars, together with the correspondence referred to in the above named letter before the Commissioner.

2. In December 1858, the services of Captain A. Cadell, Executive Engineer, Nagpur, being urgently required by Government for duty at Fyzabad, on that officer's leaving Nagpur, the officiating appointment was offered to me by Mr. Plowden with Colonel Boileau's approval; as I possess a handsome testimonial of ability given me by Colonel A. Cotton, after having been employed upwards of five years under his orders to his entire satisfaction; I of course accepted the appointment, vice Captain A. Cadell. In the month of February following, Colonel Boileau recommended me to the Commissioner for permanent employment in the Department Public Works, Nagpur, and again in the month of May, (I believe, but as I have no record here to refer to, I cannot be sure), repeated his recommendation, and on the 1st June 1859, the Right Honorable the Governor General of India appointed me an Executive Engineer 4th class and posted me to the Bhundara division.

3. The acting appointment at Nagpur was deeply involved in arrears (19 months) with no proper draftsman, and for 5 months without any permanent head clerk; these draw backs together with the onerous nature of the duties at Kamptee and Nagpur, the former especially; with only one European Assistant Overseer; still I contrived to prosecute the current duties of

the office and dispatched for audit, 12 out of the 19 months arrears; it is true the Native Cavalry lines were not completed in time before the monsoon (which set in unusually early on the 29th of April), but this was owing to a variety of accidents and hinderances, such as working in the rains with sun-dried bricks, &c. and the Government have in one of their Minutes acquitted me of blame for their non-completion.

4. I am fully aware, that in such an extensive charge some works must, and have been delayed; but there are, I venture to submit extenuating circumstances, such as paucity of workmen and labor, mainly, owing to the bad exchange of the rupee, as only 14 annas were obtained, numbers of bricklayers and others left Nagpur and Kamptee for Jubbulpore and Comrawutty.

5. I have been informed that Mr. Plowden had written to Colonel Boileau complaining that such a work was not completed; but that officer did not think fit to represent the crippled state of the Executive Engineer's office referred to in the 3rd paragraph of this letter, but subsequently Mr. Plowden recorded officially that every allowance should be made for Captain Applegath owing to the heavy arrears left on his hands by Captain Cadell.

6. I wish respectfully to represent that so far from Colonel Boileau's lending any real assistance to the executive officers under his orders, a continual series of letters and correspondence, on trifles, and if my memory serves me well, I once received 13 letters in one day, occupying a large portion of my time, for I speak from 10 months personal experience, and I have even had a long letter about a broken pickaxe left by my predecessor when repairing a traveller's bungalow.

7. I trust that full credit may be given me for having exerted myself to complete a large portion of the wash houses and other buildings for the accommodation and comfort of H. M.'s 91st Regiment at Kamptee, and though my health has temporarily given way from exertion and severe anxiety, I have duly handed over the Bhundara division to Serjeant J. H. Sharpe, on receiving the medical certificate from the officer in medical charge of the station, and quitted the division in anticipation of my leave to Bombay and the western coasts being confirmed by a Medical Board at Kamptee, and though I may be compelled to visit the nearest coast, still I hope its cause may not be a stumbling block to my prospects of advancement in future, or the loss of employment on the staff as threatened by Colonel Boileau.

8. In conclusion, I have much pleasure in reminding the Commissioner that it was only a few days ago, he communicated his approval on my arrangements for carrying on the works in the Department Public Works, Bhundara division, in a letter received from and signed by Colonel Boileau himself, now in record in the Bhundara office.

Transmitted to the Commissioner of Nagpur, with my letter No. 2450, dated 5th November 1859.

From GEORGE PLOWDEN, Esq., Commissioner of Nagpur; to Colonel A. H. E. BOILEAU, Chief Engineer, Nagpur, dated 30th May 1859, No. 347.

With reference to your letter, No. 3100, dated the 21st of February last, and to the frequent complaints you have since made of Captain Applegath's slow and inefficient performance of his duties as executive officer of the Nagpur division, I have the honor to request that you will report distinctly, whether you are of opinion that Captain Applegath is duly qualified for the appointment of Executive Engineer.

2. I beg to remind you that a constant plea for the inordinate delays incurred in the construction of any public works ordered in this province, and their inefficient execution, is the incapacity and inexperience of your executive subordinates. It, therefore, Captain Applegath should be deliberately pronounced by you to be qualified for the post of Executive Engineer, the responsibility of any future failure on his part, if he should be appointed, will rest entirely with you.

From Colonel A. H. E. BOILEAU, Chief Engineer, Nagpur; to GEORGE PLOWDEN, Esq., c. s., Commissioner of Nagpur, dated 11th June 1859, No. 578.

In compliance with your letter, No. 379 of the 9th instant just received, calling my attention to your No. 347, dated 31st ultimo, concerning Captain P. Applegath, I have the honor of informing you that a copy of the latter communication was forwarded to this officer with my No. 478 of the 4th instant, requesting him to furnish me with a memorandum of each separate appointment which he has held in the Public Works Department; to let me know his qualifications in civil engineering and surveying, and to favor me with copies of any testimonials which he might have.

2nd. In his letter, No. 951, dated the 6th instant, of which a copy is annexed, Captain Applegath has furnished the information called for by me; has produced for my inspection the book of plans, surveys and sections mentioned in his 7th paragraph, which are considerably better than I expected to find them; and has put in testimonials or rather copies of those

granted to him by Colonel Arthur Cotton of the Madras Engineers, and Mr. Bruce of the Madras Railway Department, the latter having reference only to his preparation of cements, but the former being of a much more extensive and satisfactory character.

3. Though I ought not to conceal that after five months experience of his manner of doing business, I cannot pronounce Captain Applegath to be capable of managing satisfactorily such a division as the one of which he is now in charge; containing as it does, extensive accommodation for European troops at Kamptee, and other classes of work with which he is not familiar; yet after maturely deliberating on the caution given in the 2nd paragraph of your letter, No. 347 of the 31st ultimo, that the responsibility of any future failure on his part should rest entirely on me, I adhere to the recommendation made in my No. 3100, dated 21st February 1859, that Captain Francis Applegath of the 33rd M. N. I. be appointed an Executive Engineer of the 4th class, with retrospective effect from the 22nd December 1858, when he relieved Captain A. Cadell from the charge of the Nagpur division.

From Captain F. APPELGATH, in charge Nagpur Division, Department Public Works; to A. H. E. BOILEAU, Chief Engineer, Nagpur, dated 6th June 1859, No. 954.

In acknowledging your letter, No. 478, dated 4th June 1859, I have the honor in reply to paragraph 2 to afford the following information and enclose copies of the undermentioned testimonials as requested: testimonial from Colonel A. Cotton, 7th August 1851, letter from Mr. G. B. Bruce, Chief Engineer, Madras Railway, 31st July 1855.

2nd. To enable me satisfactorily to reply to the third paragraph of your present letter, I shall be compelled to enter some length, and to state as follows; that I was appointed Assistant Civil Engineer in the Fort Saint George Gazette, dated 13th March 1846, and placed under the orders of Major A. Cotton, (now Colonel Cotton), in the Rajahmundry district on the Godavari anicut, where I continued to do duty till appointed (I believe) in November 1849 to the sole executive charge of the Masulipatam district, and which appointment I held till 14th August 1851, when I was compelled to proceed to England on medical certificate, then serving more than 5 years under Colonel Cotton, whose testimonial is appended.

3rd. On the 28th December 1854, I again landed at Madras and was immediately offered (3 days after landing) an appointment of superior grade and allowances on the upper Godavari, which I felt myself compelled to decline on entirely private grounds, and within a few weeks my services were again applied for, and I was placed in sole charge of the new hydraulic current works about to be established at Madras, and after having succeeded in making a first rate cement and supplied it to the Railway department who highly approved of it, and built a stone pier with the surf with it, vide Mr. G. B. Bruce's demi official letter; the works were recommended to be given over to another officer and I was appointed assistant District Engineer at Tanjore and placed in charge of the sub-division or Sub-Collectorate of Tanjore, the revenue of which was 19 lacs of Rupees, and this charge I continued to have till April 1856, when the dangerous illness of my only child compelled me to apply for leave and in consequence to resign my appointment.

4th. In November 1856, while en route to join my Regiment, the 33rd Regiment M. N. I. my leave being nearly expired, the Bombay Government applied for my services solely on the strength of Colonel Cotton's testimonial; my services were refused on account of the scarcity of officers, and I joined my Regiment on the 19th December 1856, and remained with it and accompanied it with the Kamptee moveable column throughout from July 1857 to 30th April 1858.

5th. On Captain Cadell's removal from Nagpur, I was offered the officiating appointment in the Department Public Works by the Commissioner of the Province, who is acquainted with Colonel Cotton's testimonial and at the same interview, I was informed that if I do not succeed in retaining the Nagpur appointment which Mr. Plowden did not think probable, he promised that I should be permanently appointed, either to Bhundara or Chanda. I accordingly accepted the appointment and stated my anxiety to do my best to supply Captain Cadell's place, and I was accordingly appointed to relieve him, and which I did on the 22nd December 1858.

6th. With regard to passing the examinations in surveying and civil engineering, I wish to state, that when I was appointed in March 1846, there was no order to pass such examinations as it was not published till 8 or 9 years afterwards during the time I was in England, and the order was not retrospective, but at the same time I may mention that in a conversation regarding the examinations above referred to, with some Engineer officers whom I consulted, who stated their opinion that the testimonial given me by Colonel Cotton was more satisfactory than any theoretical examination.

7th. In reply to your 4th paragraph, enquiring if I am acquainted with Captain Ford's book on building, I have the honor to state that I have always by me one of the latest editions, and that it is a very good book of reference; and with reference to Captain Stoddard's book on hydraulics, it being a compilation from Mr. Bessanion's works is useful to assist me in calculating the water way of sluices, bridges and callingulahs and with special regard to my being able to

survey and level. I shall be most happy to submit a book proposed from plans, surveys and levels done entirely by myself for your inspection, and from it you will be able to judge of my practical ability to use these instruments and with reference to my being able to level, I may state that I was entrusted with many miles of levels and which I carried out to Colonel Cotton's entire satisfaction.

8th. In conclusion, I hope I may be permitted to offer a few remarks in explanation of the delays that may have occurred in the transmission of the various plans and estimates and documents called for, and to state in the first place that for nearly 3 months there has been no real head clerk, and that is one of the reasons, also, that the only draftsman employed, is a lad capable of drawing the most ordinary plans; and that the Sub-Overseers are very young men, and can only copy plans; and they too, are often out in the district.

The office of the Sub-Division at Kamptee, being much in arrears and greatly overworked, and though I am myself responsible for all these delays, still taking into consideration the large correspondence extending nearly to 1,600 letters (exclusive of plans, estimates, requisitions, circulars and bills) received and despatched from this office during the time (five and half months), I have had charge of it, and do hope that these explanations will in a measure be considered satisfactory and offer some valid excuses for the delays that have occurred.

From Lieutenant-Colonel A. COTTON, Civil Engineer, 1st Division; to Lieutenant F. APPELEGATH, Assistant Civil Engineer, dated Dauleshwaram, 7th August 1851.

On the occasion of your leaving this division on account of the failure of your health, I think it right with reference to your future employment on the Public Works, to certify that during the last five years you were actively employed in various works, connected with the irrigation and communications of this division, especially on the Godavari anicut (weir) of one branch of the work connected with which you had charge, this work extending across the four branches of that river with an aggregate length of watering of 4,000 yards, you were employed from the first, and thus had experience in the various operations of blasting, &c. the apparatus for Railways, &c. you were latterly employed in planning and inspecting various works in other parts of this division, especially in building the Point Day light house of which you had sole charge throughout, and in your arrangement of it gave me entire satisfaction. I also bear testimony to your general activity, intelligence, and usefulness and have no doubt of your proving a valuable officer in this department. I have no doubt that you will turn to good account two or three years in England with the opportunities you will there have, especially with the advantage you will have in the assistance of so eminently talented an Engineer as your father.

I trust that you will return to India thoroughly restored to health, and have an opportunity of doing good service in this department again.

From G. BRUCE, Esq., Chief Engineer, Madras Railway; to Captain F. APPELEGATH, Assistant Civil Engineer, dated 31st July 1855.

I have much pleasure in acknowledging the receipt of the several specimens of hydraulic cements sent with your descriptive list, and am most happy to give you my opinion of them and can state that some of them are very excellent, they are not all alike, but I shall be much obliged by your sending a quantity of No. (++) to enable us to build a stone pier into the surf, and I have also much pleasure in stating that the specimens of the raw materials are very good and will produce a first rate cement.

From C. BRADON, Esq., Secretary to the Government of India with the Governor General; to the Commissioner of Nagpur, dated Camp Meerut, 21st December 1859, No. 788.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 111, dated 12th ultimo, forwarding copy of a correspondence regarding Captain Francis Applegath, Executive Engineer of the Bhundara Division.

2. In reply, I am directed by the Governor General to state that it is quite evident, from the correspondence submitted, that Captain Applegath is an inefficient officer, his own letters serving to confirm this conclusion.

3. He has left his station without leave, and has no right to complain if he is remanded to his Regiment, a course which the interests of the public service in the Public Works Department require.

4. Captain Applegath's services have accordingly in General Order of this date, been replaced at the disposal of the Government of Fort Saint George.

No. 71.

ORDER THEREON, 25th January 1860, No. 191.

Ordered to be communicated to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief through the Military Department with reference to the order in the Public Works Department, dated 29th April 1859, No. 988, and also to the Chief Engineer.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,

Chief Secretary.

Copies

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Nagpore

Commissioner's Office
The 12th November 1854

From Major E. H. Elliot
Commissioner of Nagpore
To Cecil Beadon, Esq.

Copy to the Govt. of India
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Public Works Dept.
General
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Commrs Office }
The 12th Nov: 1854 }
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P. E. N. Elliot
Commissioner
No. 2340

From
Col. A. Murray E. Boileau
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D. A. H. E. Rodman Col. C.
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N^o 214 of 59/00

From Capt. J. Applegath
Ex. Engineer Bhindara D. A. H. E.
To Col. A. H. E. Rodman
Chief Engineer Nagpur.

Sir,

I have the honor to request the favor of your granting me 7 days privilege leave from the date of my quitting the Bhindara Division, delivering over charge of Division to Sir J. H. Sharpe Assistant Quarter Master.

I have for

D. J. Applegath Capt.
Ex. Eng. Bhindara D. A. H. E.
N^o 2228

From Col. A. H. E. Rodman
Chief Engineer Nagpur.
To Capt. J. Applegath
Ex. Engineer Bhindara D. A. H. E.

Chief Engineer's Office Nagpur 20th Oct. 1889.

Sir,

In answer to your letter N^o 214 of 18th Instant I have the honor of stating that as you returned to Bhindara from privilege leave only a few weeks ago, I have not any authority to grant you even one day privilege leave, until after the expiry of half a year from the date of your rejoining.

2. If you require temporary leave (with the forfeiture of half your Mess Salary) under rule 10 page 184 of the Code, I will apply to the Commisary of Nagpur for more days or more if required.

I have for

D. A. H. E. Rodman Col. C.
Chief Engineer Nagpur.

N^o 219 of 1859/60.

From Capt. J. Applegath
Ex. Engineer Bhundara Division
To Col. A. M. E. Royleau
Chief Engineer Nagpore
Ex. Eng^r Office Bhundara 22^d Oct/59
Sir,

In acknowledging your letter N^o 2228 dated 20th October 1859, I have the honor to request you will do me the favor to apply to the Commis- sioner for temporary leave (handing over charge of the Division to Capt. J. M. Sharpe Asst. Commis- sioner Bhundara Division) under rule 10 Page 184 of the Code from the 27th October till the 15th November 1859 in anticipation of leave being granted me on Medical Certificate to proceed to the nearest coast.

I have, &c.

Capt. J. Applegath Capt.
Ex. Eng^r Bhundara Dⁿ 22^d Oct.

N^o 2288

From Col. A. M. E. Royleau
Chief Engineer Nagpore
To Capt. J. Applegath
Ex. Eng^r Bhundara Division
Chief Engineer's Office Nagpore 27th Oct. 1859
Sir,

In answer to your letter N^o 219 of 22^d Instant applying for temporary leave from the 27th October to the 15th November 1859 in antici- pation of leave being granted you on Medical Certificate

to proceed to the coast, I have the honor of a- stating that Lieut. Col. C. J. Gathorne of the Bengal Engineers, my predecessor at Nagpore, and Lieut. W. M. G. Palmer of the 10th M. A. S. Ex. Engineer of the Chandu Division were both sum- marily removed from their appointments by the Gov^t of India for quitting the Province on Medical Certificate almost immediately after having as- sumed their situations.

2. If you wish simply to apply for tem- porary leave from the 27th October to the 15th November 1859, I am ready to submit the case to the Commissioner of Nagpore for favorable consideration, but if this leave has any con- nection with an intended departure for the coast on Sick Certificate you having so very recently taken charge of the Bhundara Division, appear- liable to be removed altogether from your ap- pointment, as were the two officers above mentioned.

I have, &c.

C. A. M. E. Royleau Col.
Chief Engineer Nagpore

N^o 223 of 59/60

From Capt. J. Applegath
Ex. Eng^r Bhundara Dⁿ 22^d Oct.
To Col. A. M. E. Royleau
Chief Engineer Nagpore
Ex. Eng^r Office Bhundara 25th October 1859
Sir,

In acknowledging your letter N^o 2288 of 24th

21st October 1859 I have the honor to express my feelings of deep regret and surprise that you should show such utter want of consideration to an officer of my character and standing. In the first place I complain that you should have refused me a few days privilege leave when I applied for it on 18th October 1859 when I have only had 5 days leave during the last 3 years of my service, and when refusing the favor I asked, you plainly stated that if I would apply for temporary leave with the loss of half my Staff Salary, under rule 10 Page 184 now code you would ask the Commr for it; and when I did apply for it accordingly on the 21st October last you absolutely threaten me with the loss of my appointment because under the trying circumstances in which I have been placed for the last 4 months, my health has given way under anxiety and exertion; I trust however that some more favorable view will be taken of my position by higher authority.

2. It is now 13 years since I first entered the S^t M. in 1846 having served five years at once in one Division under Col Arthur Cotton a very distinguished Engineer Officer to his entire satisfaction and I consider your threat or hint whatever you may be pleased to call it, as most uncalled for and very arbitrary and considering the urgent nature of the case, viz the dangerous illness of my wife of which you have been

for some time past well aware, I have ventured under those circumstances to quit the Division under a Medical Certificate granted me by the Medical Officer here, and have this day handed over the Division to Lieut J. H. Sharpe Assistant Quarter Master General.

3. In conclusion I have now the honor to request that a copy of this letter may be sent to the Commr as my urgent remonstrance on this subject.

I have, Sir,
Y^{rs} P. J. Applegarth Capt
Exe Eng Bhimadron Am Appn.
N^o 762

From Major E. M. Elliot
Commissioner of Mysore
To Col A. N. E. Neilson
Chief Engineer Mysore
By Mysore the 2nd Nov 1859
Sir,

Sub. Works Report

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter N^o 2310 by the 29th ultimo with the enclosures marginally notes, and in reply to grant Capt Applegarth leave of absence for 14 days from the 25th ultimo to the 8th instant under rule 10 page 184 of the S^t M. Code agreeably to your recommendations.

2. With reference to the remaining portion of your letter under acknowledgment I observe some previous correspondence in this Office on the subject

1. Ex. Eng Bhimadron Am Appn.
2. Chief Eng Bhimadron Am Appn.
3. Ex. Eng Bhimadron Am Appn.
4. Chief Eng Bhimadron Am Appn.
5. Ex. Eng Bhimadron Am Appn.
6. Chief Eng Bhimadron Am Appn.
7. Ex. Eng Bhimadron Am Appn.
8. Chief Eng Bhimadron Am Appn.

subject of Capt. Applegath's fitness for an Executive charge, the whole of which would be laid before Govt. with his proposed application for leave on Medical Certificate.

I have, Sir
Sd/ E. N. Elliot
Commissioner

N^o 2450

From Col. A. M. E. Boileau
Chief Engineer Nagpore.
To Major E. N. Elliot
Commissioner of Nagpore
Chief Engg's Office Nagpore the 5th Nov/59
Sir,

As requested by Capt. W. D. Establisment

Applegath Esq Engineer of the Bhundara Division in his letter N^o 4 A of Naumple the 5th Instant, I have the honor of forwarding in original after retaining a copy for record, letter N^o 3 A of the same date from the abovesaid Officer, since A. R. Chamberlayne Esq Personal Assistant Commr. requesting that his services may not be dispensed with in the Public Works Dept. in the Nagpore Province should he ever be compelled to go to the nearest court on Medical Certificate.

From the nature of the Certificate given some years ago by Col. A. Cotton of the Madras Engineers to Capt. Applegath I had hoped that although unequal to managing the Nagpore Division he might be able to conduct satisfactorily the duties of a small

one like Bhundara; but his way of doing business is so indifferent, his professional knowledge so disproportionate to the long time he has been in the Department, and his capability of remaining out of doors to inspect his works after 8 A.M. so small, that I am not inclined to recommend his being retained any longer in the Public Works Dept. if he quits the Bhundara Division now.

I have, Sir

Sd/ A. M. E. Boileau Esq
Chief Engineer Nagpore.

N^o 3 Letter A

From Capt. J. Applegath
Executive Engineer Bhundara D.
To Lieut. A. R. Chamberlayne
Personal Asst to the Commr. Nagpore
Naumple the 5th November 1859
Sir,

With reference to a letter N^o 2340 of 29th Oct 1859 received from the Chief Engineer Nagpore to the adrep of Major Elliot Commissioner of Nagpore I have the honor to request you will do me the favor to lay the following particulars together with the correspondence referred to in the abovesaid letter before the Commissioners.

In December 1858 the services of Capt. A. Cadell Executive Engineer Nagpore being urgently required by Govt for duty at Puzatand, on that Officer's leaving Nagpore the officiating appointment was offered to me by Mr. Sherwood under

Col.

Colt Royleau's approval; as I possess a handsome
testimonial of ability given me by Colt Cotton,
after having been employed upwards of five years
under his orders to his entire satisfaction, I of course
accepted the appointment vice Capt. A. Cadell.
In the month of February following Colt Royleau
recommended me to the Commissioner for permanent
employment in the D. P. W. Nagpore; and again
in the month of May (I believe but as I have
no record here to refer to I cannot be sure) re-
ported his recommendation; and on the 1st June
1859 the Hon. Mr. W. A. Pitt Rivers the Governor General of
India appointed me an Executive Engineer to
Bhopal and posted me to the Bhindara Division.

3. The acting appointment at Nagpore
was deeply involved in arrears (19 months) with
no proper Draftsmen; and for 5 months without
any permanent Head Clerk; these drawbacks
together with the onerous nature of the duties
at Bhopal and Nagpore the former especially;
with only one European Assistant Overseer; still
I continued to prosecute the current duties of the
Office and dispatched for audit, 12 out of the 19
months arrears; it is true the Native Country
Lines were not completed in time before the mon-
soon (which set in unusually early on the 29th
of April) but this was owing to a variety of
accidents and hindrances such as working in the
rains with damaged bullocks &c. and the Govt.
being in one of these humors acquitted me of
blame for their non completion.

4. I am fully aware, that in such an extensive
charge some works must, and have been delayed;
but there are, I venture to submit extraordinary cir-
cumstances, such as paucity of workmen and labor
mainly owing to the bad exchange of the rupee,
as only 16 annas were obtained in exchange of
Bricklayers and others left Nagpore and Bhopal
for Jabalpur and Benarass.

5. I have been informed that Mr. Howden
had written to Colonel Royleau complaining
that such a work was not completed; but
that Officer did not think fit to represent the
crippled state of the Executive Engineer's Office referred
to in the 3rd para. of this letter, but subsequently
Mr. Howden records officially that every allowance
should be made for Capt. Applegarth owing to the
heavy arrears left in his hands by Capt. Cadell.

6. I wish respectfully to represent that so far
from Colt Royleau's lending any real assistance
to the Executive Officer under his orders a continuous
series of letters and correspondence on trifles, and
if my memory serves me well, I have received
16 letters on one day, occupying a large portion
of my time for I spent from 10 months personal
experience and I have even had a long letter about
a broken pickaxe left by my predecessor when
repairing a traveller's baggage.

7. I trust that full credit may be given me
for having exerted myself to complete a large
portion of the work houses and other buildings for
the

the accommodation and comfort of M. M. G. P.
Regiment at Rangoon, and though my health
has temporarily given way from exertion and
severe anxiety, I have duly handed over the
Bhamara Division to Serjt J. M. Sharpe on
receiving the medical Certificate from the Officer
in Medical charge of the Station, and quitted
the Division in anticipation of my leave to
Bombay and the western coast being conferred
by a Medical Board at Rangoon and though
I may be compelled to visit the nearest coast,
still I hope its cause may not be a stumbling
block to my prospects of advancement in future
in the line of employment in the Staff as threatened
by Col. Bailew.

In conclusion I have much pleasure in
recommending the Commissioner that it was only a few
days ago, he communicated his approval on my
arrangements for carrying on the works in the
M. J. Bhamara Division, in a letter received
from and signed by Col. Bailew himself now
in record in the Bhamara Office.

I have &c

M. J. Francis Applegarth Esq
Engr Bhamara Dist

Transmitted to the Commissioner of Nagpore with
my letter N. 2452 of 5th Dec 1859

M. M. E. Bailew, Col
Chief Engr Nagpore

(Attn: Engr)

Post Office Nagpore

M. J. Francis Esq

8:347.

From

Geo. Bailew, Esquire,
Commissioner of Nagpore.

To

Colonel A. M. E. Bailew,
Chief Engineer, Nagpore.
Nagpore, the 31st May, 1859

Public Works Dept
Nagpore

With reference to your letter, No 347,
dated the 21st of February last, and to the
frequent complaints you have since made
of Captain Applegarth's slow and ineffi-
cient performance of his duties as Executive
Officer of the Bhamara Division, I have the
honor to request that you will report
distinctly, whether you are of opinion
that Captain Applegarth is duly qualified
for the appointment of Executive Engineer.

2. I beg to remind you that a con-
stant plea for the inordinate delays in-
curred in the construction of any public
works ordered in this Province, and their
inefficient execution, is the incapacity and
inexperience of your Executive Subordinates.
If, therefore, Captain Applegarth should
be deliberately pronounced by you to be
qualified for the post of Executive Engineer,
the responsibility of any future
failure

failed on his part, if he should be
appointed, will not entirely settle you.
Sagore Town.
Commissioner's Office
The 31st May 1859.

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From

Colonel A B C Bristow,
Chief Engineer, Sagore.

To

Geo. Blunden, Esquire, C. S.,
Commissioner of Sagore
Chief Engineer's Office, Sagore
The 11th June 1859.

Sir,

In compliance with your letter, N^o.
379 of the 9th Inst. just received, calling
my attention to your N^o. 347 Dated 31st May,
concerning Captain S. Applegatt, I have the
honour of informing you that a copy of the
letter communication was forwarded to the
Officer with my N^o. 478/2 of the 11th Inst.,
requesting him to furnish me with a me-
morial of each separate appointment
which he has held in the Public Works
Department, to let me know his qualifi-
cations in Civil Engineering and Surveying,
and to favor me with copies of any testi-
monials which he might have.

In his letter N^o. 478/2, Dated the 6th Inst.,
of

of which a copy is annexed, Captain Applegatt
has furnished the information called for
by me, has procured for my inspection
the book of plans, surveys and sections
mentioned in his 7th paragraph, which
are considerably better than I expected
to find them, and has put in testimonials
or rather copies of those granted to him by
Colonel Arthur Cotton of the Madras Legion,
and Mr Bruce of the Madras Railway
Department, the latter having referred
only to his preparations of plans, the
former being of a much more extensive
and satisfactory character.

3. Though I might not have seen
the after five months experience of
his manner of doing business, I cannot pro-
nounce Captain Applegatt to be capable
of managing so successfully public works
as the one of which he is now in charge;
containing as it does extensive accommodation
for European troops at the place, and other
classes of work, with which he is not fami-
liar, yet after maturely deliberating on
the evidence given in the 2^d paragraph
of your letter N^o. 347 of the 31st May,
that the responsibility of any future
failure on his part should rest entirely
on me, I adhere to the recommendation
made in my N^o. 3100 D/21st February 1859.

Yours

that Captain Francis Applegarth of the
33rd M. N. I. has appointed an Executive Engineer
of the 4th class, with retrospective effect
from the 22nd December 1858 to have he
relieved Captain A. G. G. from the charge
of the Nagpur Division.

Yours
Maj. A. H. C. Boyleau (C.E.)
Chief Engineer Nagpur
N. 95/2

From

Captain F. Applegarth
In charge Nagpur D. D. I. M.

To

Colonel A. H. C. Boyleau
Chief Engineer Nagpur
Sd/- Engineer's Office N. 95/2
28th June 1859.

Sir,

In acknowledging your letter, N. 478,
dated 11th June 1859, I have the honor in reply
to forward to you the following information
and enclose copies of the undermentioned
testimonials as requested; Testimonial from
Col. A. G. G. 7th August 1851, letter from Mr.
G. B. Baker, Chief Engineer Madras Railway,
30th July 1858.

To enable me to respectfully to reply
to the kind favor of your present letter,
I shall be compelled to enter some length,
and to state as follows, that I was appointed

Assistant Civil Engineer in the Fort St.
George Garrison, dated 11th March 1846, and
placed under the orders of Major A. G. G.
(now Col. G. G.) in the Rajahmundry
District in the Godavary Division, where
I continued to do duty till appointed (I
believe) in November 1849 to the sole Execu-
tive charge of the Musculipetam District
and which appointment I held till 14th
August 1851, when I was compelled to
proceed to England on Medical Certificate.
I have served more than 5 years under
Col. G. G. whose testimonial is appended
2nd.

On the 28th December 1854, I arrived
at Madras and was immediately
placed (3 days after landing) in charge
of superior grade and attendance on the
upper Godavary which I felt myself
compelled to decline on strictly private
grounds, and within a few weeks my
services were again applied for, and I was
placed in sole charge of the road & bridge
works about to be executed
at Madras and after having succeeded
in making a first rate pavement and dis-
posed it to the Railway Department who
highly approved of it, and built a stone
pier with the bridge with it, and Mr. G. G.
deputy official letter, the works were per-
mitted to be given over to another Officer

and

and I was appointed Assistant District
Engineer at Sanjora and placed in charge
of the Sub Division or Sub-collectorate
of Sanjora, the revenue of which was
19 lacs of Rupees and this charge I was

assigned to have been April 1886, when
the dangerous illness of my only child
compelled me to apply for leave and
in consequence to resign my appointment.

4th In November 1886, while employed
to join my Regiment, the 38th Regt M. L.
my leave being nearly expired, the British
Government applied for my services solely
on the strength of Col. Cotton's testimony,
my services were refused on account of the
absence of Officers and I joined my Regiment
on the 19th December 1886, and remained with
it and accompanied it with the Hampshire
Irregular Column throughout from July
1887 to 30th April 1888.

5th In Captain Cadell's personal from
Kaspor's does appear the Officer in charge of
Sanjora in this D. P. by the former
of the Province, who is acquainted with Col.
Cotton's testimony and at this same time
interview I was informed that if I did not
succumb and returning the Kaspor's apparent
work which Mr. Ramsden did not think pro-
table, he promised that I should be permanently
appointed either to Bhundara or Phanda. I
was much surprised at this appointment and

stated my anxiety to do my best to supply
Captain Cadell's place and I was accordingly
appointed to relieve him, and which I did on
the 22nd December 1888.

6th With regard to passing the Gamina-
tions in surveying and civil engineering
I wish to state that when I was appointed
in March 1886 there was no order to pass
such examinations as it was not published
till 8 or 9 years afterwards during the time
I was in England, and the order was not proba-
bly issued, but at the same time I may men-
tion that in a conversation regarding the
examinations above referred to, with some
Engineer Officers whom I consulted, who
held their opinion that the testimonials
given me by Colonel Cotton was more
satisfactory than any theoretical exami-
nation.

7th In reply to your 1st paragraph,
enquiring if I am acquainted with Capt.
Trev. 88th back in building, I have the honor
to state that I have always by me and
the latest editions, and that it is a very
good book of reference, and with reference
to Capt. Howard's book on Hydraulics,
it being a compilation from Mr. Raper's
was so useful to assist me in calculating
the waterway of sluices, bridges & culverts
and with special regard to my being able
to

to survey and level, I shall be, most happy
to submit as much proposed plans, plans,
surveys and levels done entirely by my-
self for your inspection and find if
you will be able to judge of my prac-
tical ability to use these instruments
and with reference to my being able to
level I may state that I was entrusted
with many miles of levels and which I
carried out to Colonel's cotton's entire satis-
faction.

8th In conclusion I hope I may be per-
mitted to offer a few remarks in explanation
of the delay that may have occurred in
the transmission of the various plans and
sketches and documents called for, and to
state in the first place that for nearly
3 months there has been no real head
work, and that is one of the reasons, also,
that the only Draftsman employed,
is as far capable of drawing the most
ordinary plans, and that the sub-
missions are very young ones, and are
only copy plans, and they too, are often
incomplete.

The Office of the Sub Division at
Ranchester being much increased and
greatly overworked, and though I am my-
self responsible for all these delays, I
bring into consideration the large amount
of work being nearly 1600 letters
per annum.

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(Exclusive of plans, sketches, requisitions,
circulars and bills) received and despatched
from this Office during the time (three
and half months) I have had charge of it,
and do hope that these explanations will
in a measure be considered satisfactory
and offer some valid excuses for the delay
that have occurred.

Yours Respectfully
J. S. Applethorpe Esq.
In charge of the Sub Division
Ranchester.

Ranchester August 7th 1857

Sir,

In the receipt of your letter the
Division in receipt of the plans of your
works, I think it right with reference
to your future employment on the
works, to certify that during the last few
years you were actually employed on
various works connected with the
communication of the Division, es-
pecially on the Loderbury Junction (Main)
of one branch of the works connected with
which you had charge, this work estab-
lished one of the four branches of that power
with an aggregate length of watering of
1400 yards, you were employed from the
first, and there had performed in the various
operations of blasting the apparatus for
Railways.

Railways &c. you were latterly employed
in planning and inspecting various works
in other parts of this Division especially
in building the Pink Derry Light House
of which you had sole charge throughout
and in your management of it gave me
entire satisfaction. I also bear testimony
to your general activity, intelligence,
and usefulness and have no doubt of your
proving a valuable Officer in this Depart-
ment. I have no doubt that you will
soon be promoted two or three years in
advance with the opportunities you will
then have, especially with the advantages
you will have in the assistance of so
competent a Master and Engineer as your
father.

I trust that you will return to
India thoroughly restored to health and
be in a position to do very good service
in this Department again.

Remains &c.
Bathurst &c. Prof A. Cotton Esq. M.P.
August 7th 1885. Capt. East 1st Div.
To Lieut. A. P. P. P.
Asst. Genl. Engineer.

Madras July 3rd 1885.
My dear Capt. A. P. P.
I have much pleasure in
acknowledging

acknowledging the receipt of the several
specimens of hydraulic cements sent with
your descriptive list, and am most happy
to find you are very opinionated of them and can
state that some of them are very excellent.
They are not all alike, but I shall be
much obliged by your sending a quantity
of No () to enable us to build a stone
pier into the sea and I have also much
pleasure in stating that the specimens
of the raw materials are very good and will
produce a first rate cement.

Madras.
3rd July 1885.

Believe me &c.
Prof. Genl. Engineer
Chief Engineer
Railway Dept. Madras.
(A true copy)
Prof. A. R. Cumbalaga
Offr. Asst. Asst. to Commr.
S. J. B.

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The Secretary to the Govt of India
With the 1st General

To

The Commissioner of Railways
of Camp Murat. 21st December 1889

Foreign Dept. Mr.

I have the honor to acknowledge the
receipt of your letter, No. 111, dated 12th Oct.
forwarding copy of a correspondence
regarding

regarding Capt. Francis Applegath, Esq.
 Engineer-in-Chief of the Bhimadara Division.
 2^d In reply I am directed by the Governor
 General to state that it is quite evident
 from the correspondence submitted, that
 Capt. Applegath is an inefficient officer,
 known to be so, and to confirm this con-
 clusion.

3^d He has left his station without
 leave, and it is no right to complain if he
 is removed to his Regiment, as a course which
 diminishes the public service in the
 Public Works Department, requires.

4th Capt. Applegath's services have
 accordingly been removed from the
 service of the Public Works Department,
 and he is to be sent to the
 service of the 33rd Madras Native Infantry.

I have the honor to be,
 Sir,
 Your obedient servant,
 The 21st December 1859.
 With the G. G.

(True Copy)

W. H. H. H.

Under Secy. to the Govt. of India
 With the G. G.

20/12/59

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Foreign Office

From
 No 790
 The Secretary to the
 Government of India
 with the Governor General.

To
 The Secretary to the Government of
 Port St. George.

Sir,
 I am directed by the
 Governor General to state for the information
 of the Honble the Governor in Council,
 that the services of Capt. Francis Applegath
 of the 33rd Madras Native Infantry, Engineer
 Engineers of the Bhimadara Division, are
 replaced at the disposal of the Government
 of Port St. George.

2^d A copy of a correspondence
 with the Commissioner of Nagpore regard-
 ing that Officer, is herewith enclosed.

I have the honor to be,
 Sir,
 Your most obedient servant

Camp Meerut
 The 21st December
 1859

W. H. H. H.
 Secy to the Govt. of India
 with the Governor General.

Completed

Dr. J. H. May / 59 M^c 20-21.

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and a fee to the Chief Engineer

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Wm. W. Brown
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Copies - 100
Chief Engineer - 100

