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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 16th August 1861.

No. 280. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel W. H. HORSLEY, Chief Engineer, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated Chepauk, 1st August 1861, No. 3,384 :—

SIR,

1 Letter from District Engineer Godavery, No. 203, dated 21st March 1860, with one enclosure.
1 Letter from do No. 279, dated 1st October 1860, with two enclosures.
1 Letter from do. No. 62, dated 21st May 1860.
1 Do. from do. No. 199, dated 9th July 1861, with two enclosures.
1 Letter from do. dated 8th December 1860, No. 1,360.

1. I have the honor to report for the information of Government that, in his letter No. 203, dated 21st March 1860, the late District Engineer Godavery, Colonel Boileau, forwarded to this Office a list of certain promotions and appointments made by him, with a view of filling up the vacancies which then existed in the lower Subordinate Establishment allotted to his District.

2. It will be observed from the list referred to, that one of the men appointed a Sub-Overseer 2nd Class, 1st Grade, was D. Jeyaramasawmy, the Assistant Accountant and Estimate-maker, attached to the District Engineer's Office. This individual, though holding the appointment just mentioned, had no knowledge whatever of accounts; but as he possessed an acquaintance with plan drawing and estimating, the District Engineer considered that his services could be turned to better account as a Sub-Overseer, and accordingly transferred him to the Executive branch of the Department.

3. As however the promotions and appointments alluded to above had been made by the District Engineer under a misapprehension of the Rules of the 2nd March 1860, which require that Sub-Overseers shall serve five years in one grade before being promoted to another, and that those not already in the Department should pass the examination therein prescribed, they were ordered to be cancelled, and Jeyaramasawmy, under these circumstances, lost his appointment as Sub-Overseer 2nd Class, 1st Grade.

Extract Proceedings, No. 12,468, dated 19th April 1860.

4. Prior to the receipt of these orders, the late District Engineer had made arrangements for filling up, by a far more competent person, the post which Jeyaramasawmy held in his Office, and as the latter could not be re-entertained in his former capacity, owing to his utter inability to discharge the duties connected with the accounts of the District which devolved upon him, he was necessarily thrown out of employment. Subsequently,* however, the present Acting District Engineer brought to notice the existence of a vacancy in the lower Subordinate Establishment of his District, and with a view of filling up the appointment, recommended the temporary employment of Jeyaramasawmy on the grounds of his past service, and his acquaintance with plan drawing. This arrangement was approved of by the Central Office in Extract Proceedings, No. 6,227, dated 25th October last, under the authority conveyed in Proceedings of Government No. 1,352, dated 13th September 1860, and Jeyaramsawmy was accordingly entertained as a temporary Sub-Overseer on the 5th November 1860.

* Letter No. 279, dated 1st October 1860.

5. The period (six months) for which Jeyaramasawmy's employment was authorized having expired on the 5th May last, the District Engineer was requested in a letter from this Office No. 552, dated 16th idem, to report whether he had dispensed with the services of that individual, or if not, to state under what authority his employment had been continued. In reply the District Engineer reports in letter No. 62, dated 21st May 1861, that as Jeyaramasawmy had failed to pass the prescribed examination for a 2nd Class Sub-Overseership, he had dispensed with his services from the 4th idem.

6. From a letter, No. 199, dated 9th July 1861, received from the Acting District Engineer Godavery, and herewith enclosed, it will be observed that during his temporary employment for six months, Jeyaramasawmy conducted his duties to the entire satisfaction of that Officer. On this ground, therefore, and considering the difficulty of obtaining passed candidates to fill the two vacant Sub-Overseerships in the District, and the qualifications (knowledge of surveying, levelling, plan drawing, estimate making, &c.,) possessed by Jeyaramasawmy, Captain Stoddard recommends that, as a special case, he may be permanently appointed a Sub-Overseer 2nd Class, 3rd Grade. As, however, Jeyaramasawmy has not passed the prescribed examination, I am unable to support the District Engineer's recommendation, but under the circumstances stated above, I have to request the sanction of Government to the continued employment of Jeyaramasawmy vice Vencatachellum promoted until a passed candidate can be obtained to fill the vacancy.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
16th August 1861.

No. 281. ORDER THEREON, 16th August 1861, No. 1,566.

Under the circumstances stated, authority is granted for the continued employment of D. Jeyaramasawmy as a Sub-Overseer 2nd Class, 3rd Grade, in the Godavery District, until the services of a passed candidate are available for the post.

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

Central Office of P.W.
the 14th
14th August 1861.

No 3384

From
Lieutenant Colonel W.A. Horsley
Chief Engineer P.W.

To
J. D. Sim Esqre
Secretary to Government P.W.D.
Fort Saint George.

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Enclosure 10.
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Ex. Pro. No 1268 dated 17th April 1860

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Central Office of F.W.
the 1st August 1861

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obt. Servant

Ed. W. Bonsall Lieut. & Ex.
Chief Engineer F.W.

F.W.R. Captain
A.D.C. Chief Engr. &c.

To.

J. D. Sims Esq.
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.
Fort Saint George

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From
Lieut 6th R.N. H.M. Horsley
Chief Engineer &c &c
To J. F. Sibbald Esqre
Secretary to Government &c &c
Fort St George

Dated 1st
Rec'd 2nd August 1861.

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No 3384

Requesting Sanction for the continued employment of D. Seyaramasawmy Catelyn temporary Sub Overseer in the Godavery District.

No 280 & 281.

No. 1566. 16th August.
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Fort St George
16th August 1861

Chief Engineer with the Madras Army
3rd Civil Paymaster

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