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11th December 1862.*

No. 235. Read the following letter from Colonel W. I. BIRDWOOD, R. E., Chief Engineer, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Chepauk, 22nd November 1862, No. 4,333:—

SIR,

Procs. of Govt. No. 1,661, dated 14th July 1862.

- 1 Letter No. 370, dated 15th August 1862, from Government Solicitor with Covenant.
- 1 Do. from District Engineer, Godavery, No. 371, dated 12th September 1862.
- 1 Do. Government Solicitor, No. 434, dated 1st October 1862.
- 1 Do. Deputy Chief Engineer, Northern Circle, No. 521, dated 13th November 1862, with two accompaniments.
- Vide letter No. 370, dated 15th August 1862.

1. In July last authority was granted to the District Engineer, Godavery, to accept the notice tendered by Mr. Mechanical Engineer Longley of his intention to quit the service of Government in this month, and in due course a form of release to be executed by Mr. Longley when quitting the service of Government, was obtained from the Government Solicitor and forwarded to the District Engineer, Godavery, for communication to Mr. Longley.

- 2. This release, however, Mr. Longley declines to sign on the grounds that were he to do so, he would thereby forfeit his claim to a free passage to England, and also relieve Government of the necessity of continuing his salary till the date of his arrival there.

Vide District Engineer's letter, No. 371, dated 12th September 1862.

- 3. The clause of his Covenant to which Mr. Longley apparently refers, is as follows:—

“ And also shall and will at the expiration of the said period of two years, or at any subsequent period if he shall quit the said service with the approbation of the Government or in case he shall be invalided before the expiration of the said term of two years find and provide him a free passage to England and all necessaries for his accommodation at sea, and pay him during the said passage home, at and after the same rate of salary hereby agreed to be paid to him.”

- 4. The Government Solicitor now gives it as his opinion that the release in question can only be taken in England, unless a certain sum is paid in this country to Mr. Longley as an equivalent for passage money and salary till arrival there, but from a

In letter No. 434, dated 1st October 1862.

letter on the subject just received from the District Engineer, Godavery, I find that Mr. Longley is not willing to cancel his Covenant in India. I have therefore to request that authority may be granted to the Superintendent of Marine to provide a free passage for Mr. Longley by the first Steamer leaving for England after his arrival at the Presidency.

- 5. It will be observed that the District Engineer, Godavery, recommends Mr. Longley's

In letter No. 493, dated 12th November 1862.

services should be secured until the completion of the Steam Tug sent out for the Paumben passage, considering however that Mr. Longley will only consent to remain on the condition that his salary be increased from Rupees 250 to Rupees 500 per month, and that although the other Mechanical Engineers at present employed at Dowlaishwaram and Bezwarah may not be quite so intelligent as Mr. Longley, yet that from their past experience they must be as well able with the assistance of the European Boiler Maker who is now doing duty in the Dowlaishwaram Workshops to lengthen the Steam Tug should such be

* Rupees 6,000 per year.

hereafter determined on, I agree with Lieutenant-Colonel Ludlow that there is no necessity of incurring such a heavy expense* as the retaining of Mr. Longley's services would involve, I have therefore in anticipation of the sanction of Government to the arrangement, requested the District Engineer to instruct Mr. Longley to leave Dowlaishwaram at once for the Presidency, as his two years' residence in India will expire on the 21th November 1862.

Vide Procs. of Govt. No. 1,662 dated 14th July 1862.

- 6. Mr. Longley's Covenant with the proposed form of release endorsed thereon I forward herewith for transmission to the Home Authorities.

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11th December 1862.

No. 236.

ORDER THEREON, 11th December 1862, No. 2,974.

1. The subject of the foregoing letter will be brought to the notice of the Secretary of State for India.
2. The Superintendent of Marine is requested, with reference to paragraph 4, to provide Mr. Longley with a free passage per Steamer to England by the first opportunity after his arrival from Cocanada of which he will receive due intimation from the Chief Engineer.

(Signed) W. I. BIRDWOOD, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

Central Office of P.W.D.
22nd November 1862.

No. 4333.

To,
Colonel W. I. Birdwood R.E.,
Chief Engineer P.W.D.,
Gd, The Secretary to Government
P.W.D.

Public. Sir,

For: of Govt. No. 1664
dtd 14th July/62.

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Vide letter No. 370
dtd 15th Aug. 1862

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claim to a free passage to England, and also *1862*
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there.

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Rs. 6000
per year

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Home Authorities.

Vide Pro. of Govt.
No. 1662 dt 14th July 1862

Central Office, P.W.
Chequers, P.W.
22nd Nov 1862.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obedt Servt.
Colonel P.E.
Chief Engineer, P.W.

To The Secretary to Government
Camp at P.W.

John W. Alden
 1000 1/2 Ave. C. & Broadway

4th June 1885

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With an Order
of 11 Dec.

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Prof of Marine

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Bill of exchange - ✓

11th Decr 1862 }