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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 26th February 1862.

No. 416. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. CARPENDALE, Acting Deputy Chief Engineer, Central Circle, to Lieutenant-Colonel W. H. HORSLEY, Chief Engineer and Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Chepauk, 28th January 1862, No. 9,923:—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to forward for submission to Government, a letter from the District Engineer of Cuddapah, bringing to notice that the Military Paymaster at Bellary had refused to pass Sapper and Cavalry rates of pay for November last to 2nd Corporal A. Jeffery, late of Sappers and Miners, and Private C. Seton, late Her Majesty's 1st Dragoon Guards, on the ground that they had been transferred* to the Effective Supernumeraries, and are only entitled to Infantry rate of pay.

1 Letter from the District Engineer Cuddapah, No. 736, dated 4th January 1862.

* G. O. C. C. Page 686, of the 1st November 1861, and Page 1,024, of the 24th December 1861.

2. In Government Orders Military Department of 11th of January 1861, it was ruled that Non-Commissioned Officers and Soldiers of all branches of the Service who were employed in the Department should draw Infantry rate of pay in assimilation with the practice in Bengal, but as the application of the rule operated very injuriously in the cases of men previously in the Department it was subsequently decided that the order should only apply to men appointed either temporarily or permanently to the Department subsequent to 11th January 1861.

Public Works Department Order No. 1,964, of 25th October 1861.

3. It will be observed, however, that the Pay Department consider that the subsequent transfer of the same individuals to the Effective Supernumeraries renders the protective order of 25th October last of no effect, and I would therefore request that the matter may be again brought under the consideration of Government.

4. The object of the Bengal order which appeared in the Madras Regulations so far back as Government notification 23rd June 1857, paragraph 24, page 46, "Fort Saint George Gazette," seems to be, when taken in connection with paragraph 11, Chapter XXV, New Code, which has also been taken from the Bengal Regulations, to entitle men of seven years approved service to promotion to the rank of Serjeant; but I think it well to bring to your notice on this occasion that in addition to the disadvantage under which they labor by the present decision in regard to pay, the transfer of many of the men of the Sappers to the Effective Supernumerary list will hereafter be more injurious, and this does not appear to have been foreseen.

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5. .The removal of all the Sappers who are employed in the Department of Public Works from the effective strength of the Corps, has caused large promotion *in* the Corps, and the consequence will be, that men who were yesterday young second Corporals will enter the Department in from six months to two years hence as Serjeants, and they will not only supersede the older men of the same Corps who have gone into the Effective Supernumeraries and who have had considerable experience in the Department, but they will in the rank of Serjeant have established a claim to supersede them still further by their earlier eligibility for promotion to Warrant Military rank in the Department, and the dissatisfaction that will be caused thereby cannot but have a most injurious effect. These remarks have reference only to the men of the Sappers, who are a small body, composed entirely of Non-Commissioned Officers, among whom promotion has hitherto gone as a general rule by seniority, and do not apply to men of other branches of the service, as *their* prospects of promotion are much improved by their transfer to the Effective Supernumeraries, but the disadvantage of immediate reductions in rate of pay applies to all alike.

Vide Proceedings of Government, dated 22nd October 1861, No. 1,944.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 26th February 1862.

No. 417. ORDER THEREON, 26th February 1862, No. 313.

1. Referred to the Military Department for consideration, with reference to Proceedings in that Department dated 4th October 1861, No. 3,590.

2. Adverting to paragraph 4 of Colonel Carpendale's letter, it does not appear that Government intended that Soldiers transferred to the Effective Supernumeraries subsequent to the 11th January 1861, but who were serving in the Public Works Department prior to that date should be debarred from the benefit of the protective Order of the 4th October 1861, above quoted.

3. As to the difficulty pointed out in paragraphs 4 and 5, it is observed that it may be met by the following course. The names of the Corporals from the Sappers and Miners, employed in the Department of Public Works, and therefore transferred to the Effective Supernumeraries, might still be borne in italics on the roll of their Corps, as is the case with the Officers of the Staff Corps who are thus borne on the cadrés of their original Regiments; and like them, the Sapper Corporals employed in the Public Works Department should get their promotion when their turn comes.

(Signed) W. H. HORSLEY, Lieut.-Colonel,
Secretary to Government.

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Chief Engineers Office,
Chepauk,
28th January 1862.

No. 9923

From
Lieut.-Colonel J. Carpendale
Offg. Dy. Chief Engineer 6th Circle,

To
Lieut.-Colonel W. H. Horsley
Chief Engineer and Secretary
to Government P.W.D.

Sir,

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2 In Government Orders Military Department of 11th of January 1861. it was ruled that Non Commissioned Officers and Soldiers of all branches of the

† G.O.C.C. Page 666. of the 1st Nov. 1861, and Page 1024. of the 24th Dec. 61.

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P. W. D. Order No 1964, of 25th Oct+/61.

3 It will be observed however that the Pay Department consider that the subsequent transfer of the same individuals to the effective Supernumeraries renders the protective order of 25th October last of no effect, and I would therefore request that the matter may be again brought under the consideration of Government.

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Vide P.C. 2 of 1857.

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Vide P.C. of Govt. 1/22 of Oct+/61, No 1944.

The removal of all the Sappers who are employed in the Department of Public Works from the effective strength of the Corps, has caused large promotion in the Corps, and the consequence will be, that men who were yesterday young Second Corporals will enter the Department in from six months to two years hence as Serjeants, and they will not only supersede the older men of the same Corps who have gone into the effective Supernumeraries and who have had considerable experience in the Department, but they will in the rank of Serjeant have established a claim to supersede them still further by their earlier eligibility for promotion to warrant Military rank in the Department and the dissatisfaction that

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I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant,
J. C. Annesley Lieut. Colonel
Actg. Dy. Chief Engineer &c. &c.

Dy. Chief Engineer's Office
Chepauk,
28th January 1862.

To,
Lieut. Colonel W. H. Horsley
Chief Engineer and Secretary
to Government P. W. D.
Fort Saint George

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Lieut.-Colonel J. Carpendale
A. A. Genl & Chief Engr 2d Div.

To
Lieut.-Colonel W. W. Horsley
Chief Engineer and
Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Dated 28 January 1862.
Received 29 " "
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Requesting with reference to the accompanying letter from the District Engineer of Cuddapah, that the Amount of Pay to which Non commissioned Officers and Privates employed in the P.W.D. previous to the 11th January 1861, may be again brought under the consideration of Government.

With an order
№ 313-26 February

№ 313.

Referred to the Military Department for Consideration with reference to Proceedings in that Department dated 4 October 1861 № 3590

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