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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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No. 23. Read the following letter from Captain E. J. MOBERLY, R. E., Superintending Engineer 8th Division, to Colonel W. I. BIRDWOOD, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Mount, 25th May 1863 :—

Sir,

1. In reply to your Order No. 1,330 of the 23rd instant, I have the honor to observe that the Draughtsman of the Madras District Office has left without any orders, I know not on what errand; that the Deputy Accountant locked up his papers, and left the key of his desk, informing me that he had accepted employment under the Superintending Engineer 5th Division, who made it a condition of his entertaining him that he should be at Cuddalore by the 25th.

2. The Head Accountant has also taken service under me in the 8th Division, and I shall want him in Madura shortly, but have desired him to await further instructions from Captain Prendergast.

3. I would beg to point out that the sudden and summary dismissal of Sub-Overseers has naturally alarmed the members of the Office Establishment, and all are seeking employment in the new Division Offices, or elsewhere, fearful lest they should at a day's notice find themselves without a livelihood.

4. Under instructions from the Acting Superintending Engineer 4th Division, I gave over to Lieutenant Prendergast the records, stores, &c., in my Office on the 23rd instant, and beg that I may be allowed to reckon my time for joining from that date at the earliest; though yesterday being Sunday and to-day a general holiday, they should also be allowed.

No. 24.

ORDER THEREON, 1st June 1863, No. 1,388.

Ordered to be recorded.

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

Supt. Engrs Office 8th Divⁿ
Bombay

25 May 1863

From The Superintending Engineer
8th Divⁿ

To The Secretary to Government
P.W. Dept.

Sir In reply to your order No 1330 of the
23rd instant. I have the honor to observe that
the draftsman of the Madras District Office
has left without any orders - I know not on
what errand - that the D^y Accountant locked
up his papers, & left the Key of his desk, inform-
ing me that he had accepted employment
under the Supt. Engineer 8th Divⁿ, who made
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he should be at Fuddalore by the 25th.

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but they should at a days notice find them-
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4. Under instructions from the A. S. P.
Engineer 4th Dec. I gave over to Lieut Pen-
deryash the records stored in my office
on the 23rd instant a beg that I may be allowed
to reckon my time for joining from that date
at the earliest, though yesterday being Sunday
& today a general holiday they should also
be allowed -

Yours &c

J. H. H. H.
Superintendent Engineer
8th Dec

