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2nd June 1863.*

No. 43. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel S. O. E. LUDLOW, R. E., Acting Consulting Engineer for Irrigation and Canal Company, to Colonel W. I. BIRDWOOD, R. E., Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Saint Thomé, 12th May 1863, No. 7:—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to forward, for the consideration and orders of Government, an application* on the part of the Agent Madras Irrigation and Canal Company for the appointment of an Officer to be styled "General Auditor."

2. The Board appear to have sanctioned this appointment so far back as 1859, and again in a letter to the Agent, dated 26th January 1863, to have authorized the employment of such a functionary.

3. The duties of this office will not however as may be gathered from the accompanying correspondence,† be those of an "Auditor," but rather those of a Travelling Inspector of Cash, Stores and Accounts.

4. The Board, Agent, and Chief Engineer, all deem the appointment to be necessary, but the latter appears to think that one such Officer will not suffice for the work.

5. I myself think the appointment of such an Officer to be advisable, and beg therefore to recommend it for sanction. I would not, however, advise the employment of more than one Inspector unless it should appear from experience that one Officer is unequal to the duties required of him.

From F. AGNEW, Esq., Agent Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, to Lieutenant-Colonel S. O. E. LUDLOW, R. E., Acting Consulting Engineer Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, dated Madras, 25th March 1863, No. 1,457.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to submit for the sanction of Government the appointment of an Officer to be called "General Auditor." The Board sanctioned this office in 1859, and have again addressed me in a letter dated 26th January last, authorizing the appointment. His duty would be to travel from place to place according to orders received from my Office, and to report on the state of stores, cash and accounts in the several Divisions.

2. I should find such an Officer specially useful in cases where there were any suspicions of irregularity or dishonesty, and also in cases where changes are made in our Establishment; in some instances such changes have involved much correspondence and delay, which the presence of an Auditor might have obviated.

3. The salary has not been fixed by the Board. On this point therefore I would be glad to be guided by your experience, but as it is desirable that such an Officer should be on terms of equality with the Engineers, and that he should command some weight and influence in the Department, I would suggest Rupees 500 with the allowances of a First Class Engineer as a fair remuneration.

No. 44.

ORDER THEREON, 2nd June 1863, No. 1,398.

The Government sanction the appointment referred to in this letter.

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

N^o 387.

Consulting Engineers' Office,
Irrigation and Canal Company,
Chepauk 27 March 1863.

From,

Lt. Col. S. O. C. Ludlow R. E.

Ag. Consulting Engineer I & C Co.

To,

F. Agnew Esquire,

Agent and Manager I & C Co.

Sir,

With reference to your letter N^o 1457
of the 25th Instant, I have the honor to request
you will be good enough to favor me
with copies of the Board's resolutions
sanctioning the Office of General Auditor
alluded to by you and of their subse-
quent letter to you dated 26th January
last as they do not appear to have been
as yet communicated to this Office.

I have the honor to be &c.

Signed S. O. C. Ludlow Lt. Col. R. E.

Ag. Consulting Engineer I & C Co.

(True Copy)

J. T. Hudson Lt. Col. R. E.

Ag. Consulting Engineer I & C Co.

Comp^d
W. H. H.

N^o 5.

Consulting Engineer's Office,
Irrigation and Canal Company,
St. Thomas 4 May 1863.

From,

Lt. Col. S. A. C. Ludlow R. E.

Acting Consulting Engineer I & C. Co.

To,

J. Agnew Esquire,

General Manager I & C. Co.

Sir,

1. Before submitting to Government your application for the appointment of a general auditor, I have the honor to make the following observations as to the particular duties which that Officer will have to perform and to request further information thereon.

2. you state that his duties would be to travel from place to place according to orders received from your Office and to report on the state of stores, Cash and Accounts.

3. In the Secretary's letter N^o 5 dated 26th January he is alluded to as a store Inspector and in addition to this it is subsequently said that he shall also deal with and audit the Cash Accounts of the several Divisions.

Respectfully

Copy in 20 letters to England
Dated 14th July 1863. J. H. G.

Enclosure in letter
No 7 to Genl. J. H. G.
from Mr. Agnew Esquire
J. H. G.

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4. But neither the Secretary nor
yourself define sufficiently clearly
as I think the peculiar duties of his
Office. Is he to be a regular auditor
through whom all the Divisional Accounts
are to pass regularly before being
submitted to your Office for final
audit, or is he to be merely an occasional
Inspector of Cash Stores and
Accounts seeing that the Stores are
properly accounted for the Cash
balances correct and the accounts
kept regularly and in proper form?

5. If his duties are to be those of a
regular auditor finally passing all
accounts in this country, your Office
will be altogether relieved of this duty
and your Establishment may be
materially diminished. He will
however require an Office Establishment
which will more than counterbalance this
saving.

6. But if his duties are to be of this
kind, will they not materially interfere
with and indeed render it impossible
for him to carry out his Office of Inspector?

7. If on the other hand he is to be
simply

simply an Inspector of Stores Cash and
Accounts and to exercise a general direction
as to the mode in which those are to be
kept and rendered he will no longer be
an Auditor and this duty must still
be carried on in your Office.

8. But even in that case he will
require some Office Establishment and
this you have not yet applied for.

9. My own opinion is that he would
be more useful as a travelling Inspector
of Stores Cash and Accounts but it
would be as well before submitting
the application to Government for
sanction that the views of the Chief
Engineer should be obtained and this
I shall be obliged if you will do.

10. The salary which you propose to
give is I think suitable and not more
than sufficient.

I have the honor to be Sir,
Yours faithfully,
J. O. E. Lindlaw

Off. Consulting Engineer

(True Copy)

J. B. Martin
Off. Consulting Engineer

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No. 7

Consulting Engineer's Office,
Irrigation and Canal Company,
St. Thomas 12th May 1863.

From,

Lt. Col. L. O. Ludlow R.E.

Acting Consulting Engineer for S.W.C.

To,

Colonel W. T. Birdwood R.E.

Secretary to Government S.W.C.

Sir,

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Copied in a letter to England
16th 11th July 1863 at 29.

Enclosure in letter
No. 7 to Government and
from Mr. W. T. Birdwood R.E.
Lt. Col. L. O. Ludlow 12th May 1863

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I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant

J. J. Madsen

Acting Consulting Engineer St. Albans

Comd
B. J.
H. J. S.

Copy in to William the King
dated in July 1863. 1869

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To the Secretary to Government

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