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No. 622. Read the following letter from Major J. C. ANDERSON, R. E., Superintending Engineer 2nd Division, to Colonel W. I. BIRDWOOD, R. E., Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Nellore, 12th June 1863, No. 23 :—

SIR,

1. The Controller and Auditor of Public Works Accounts having returned to me unaudited the salary Bill for April of the Establishment attached to the Bezwadah Workshop* on the ground that no provision is made for the Establishment in the Budget for the current year, I have the honor to request

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that Government will be pleased to furnish me with instructions as to the disposal of the Establishment.

2. In the Order of Government No. 1,286, dated 21st May 1863, the question of affiliating the Bezwadah Workshop to that at Dowlaishwaram is reserved for re-consideration. In the meantime, I would beg for instructions as to the mode in which the Workshop is to be kept up and the salaries of the Establishment defrayed.

3. I conclude, from no provision having been made in the current year's Budget for this charge, that the principle of making the Workshop self-supporting as proposed in the Chief Engineer's report† to be brought into operation.

† No. 731, 21st May 1861, and G. O. No. 1,347, 20th July 1861.

4. Should my surmise be correct, I would beg to state that it will be very necessary to reduce the Establishment below its present scale, otherwise the charge for superintendence for work turned out of the Workshop will be so high so as to preclude Executive Officers from having recourse to it without exceeding their estimates.

5. The Workshop was formerly in charge of an Overseer on a salary of 100 Rupees, but the Mechanical Engineer‡ who is now in charge is entitled by his Covenant|| to salary and allowances amounting to Rupees 307-14-10. I think this is a much higher salary than is necessary for the Superintendent of the Workshop, and if it is to be self-supporting, I must beg to be relieved of his services in the first instance, and to be allowed to entertain a Foreman on 60 Rupees a month instead.

‡ Transferred from Godavery, vide Chief Engineer's Proceedings No. 6,734, dated 1st November 1861.
|| Till 23rd April 1864.

6. The general control of the Workshop was until the end of last year in the hands of myself as District Engineer Kistna, but as my appointment to the post of Superintending Engineer will preclude me from continuing to superintend it, I would propose to place it in charge of the Executive Officer of the 5th Range, whose head quarters are at Bezwadah.

No. 623. ORDER THEREON, 29th June 1863, No. 1,690.

The Controller of Public Works Accounts is requested to pass the salary Bills of the Bezwadah Workshop Establishment with reference to the Order of Government No. 1,432, dated 5th June 1863.

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

