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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
1st July 1863.*

No. 22. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel H. W. HITCHINS, R. E., Superintending Engineer 5th Division, to Colonel W. I. BIRDWOOD, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Bangalore, 29th June 1863:—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to request that you will be pleased to let me know whether Captain Clay, in charge of the Usur Range of the Salem District, is to continue in the performance of his duties until relieved by Lieutenant Trail, R. E., or whether he is to hand it over immediately to the senior Taluq Overseer of the District; and a similar decision is required as regards Mr. Norfor, Acting 1st Assistant District Engineer of South Arcot, and at present the only Officer in the District, the remaining members of the Department merely belonging to the Subordinate grade.

2. I would beg to recommend that the services of both these Officers be retained until properly relieved by their successors, otherwise it will be impossible to fix any direct responsibility for mismanagement of the works under execution.

3. For the Salem District only four Taluq Overseers have been named in the list received from Government, dated 27th instant, and I wish to know whether I may select the most competent of the Taluq Maistries for the *five* vacancies until properly qualified Subordinates have been appointed, and if so, whether they will be considered entitled to the superior rate of pay.

4. These points must be settled before I can attempt to carry into effect the recent orders of Government, regarding the removal of certain Officers of the Department Public Works.

No. 23. ORDER THEREON, 1st July 1863, No. 1,738.

1. The Officers referred to in paragraph 1 should be relieved as early as practicable by Taluq Overseers.

2. With reference to paragraph 3, the Superintending Engineer's attention is requested to Proceedings of Government No. 1,724, dated 30th June 1863.

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

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para 1 should be relieved as early
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requested to Pro of Govt No 1726
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10th July /63

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To the Supr Inq^r m^r.

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Order of Capt. for Duty
from No. 2260.

The Sub Engineer & Co.
To The Secretary to Govt
P. H. D.

Dated 29th June 1863
Recd 1st July

Wishing to know whether
Captain Clay & Lt. for
are to hand over their
charges at once or return
them until properly relieved.

No. 1738. 1st July 1863.

With an order
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