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**Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
27th October 1864.**

No. 533. Read the following letter from Captain J. MULLINS, R. E., Consulting Engineer for Irrigation and Canal Company, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Madras, 17th October 1864, No. 124 :—

Sir,
1. With reference to the Order of Government No. 2,847 of the 3rd instant, I have the honor to forward the application, as per margin, from the Agent and Manager, Irrigation and Canal Company, for sanction for the revised establishment for Mr. Latham, to enable him to perform the general duties of an Inspecting Engineer, and which establishment is :—

	Salary.	Allowances.
1 Head Clerk and Accountant	100	30
1 Draughtsman	50	20
1 Copying Clerk	35	20
1 Surveyor	100	60
6 Chainmen and Lascars	42	0
2 Peons... ..	14	0
2 Bandies and Bullocks	50	0
	391	130
		521

2. No increase to Mr. Latham's personal allowance is now proposed, and the revised establishment above given includes therefore the whole additional monthly expense which the new appointment will involve.

Agent's letter No. 1,530, 15th instant.

3. The instructions* of the Chief Engineer to Mr. Latham regarding his new duties were received with the Agent's letter just referred to, and are transmitted for the information of

* Dated 28th ultimo.

Government, and in these, paragraph 2, will be found the Chief Engineer's reasons for arranging the establishment on the scale proposed.

4. The instructions generally, appear to me to be well calculated to make the Inspecting Engineer's appointment of value. I think however, with regard to the latter part of the first clause of paragraph 1, that the Inspecting Engineer cannot possibly undertake the detailed audit of Store and Cash Accounts including expenditure on works. The Accountant attached to his establishment may very well assist in obtaining a uniform practice in the mode of accounting, and be very useful in enabling the Divisional Offices to get rid of difficulties, which may be preventing them from bringing up arrears, and the Inspecting Engineer may very properly see that the expenditure on stores or manufacture of stores is not excessive, that useless stores are not indented for, and that those in the Divisions are made use of, and their value duly debited to works and the stores relieved, but it would deprive the appointment of Inspecting Engineer of its best features were this Officer to be made

† The appointment of a general Auditor to travel was sanctioned in Proceedings Madras Government No. 1,398, 2nd June 1863, but no appointment of the sort has been made.

an Auditor,† added to which it is quite certain that he would be quite unable to visit each Division once in three months. The establishment proposed will be quite sufficient for Mr. Latham's legitimate duties, and it would be quite inadequate for the audit duties apparently intended by the instructions.

No. 534. ORDER THEREON, 27th October 1864, No. 3,096.

1. The Government sanction the revised establishment applied for in the foregoing letter for the Irrigation and Canal Company's Inspecting Engineer.
2. The attention of the Manager will be specially drawn to the last paragraph of the Consulting Engineer's letter.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer, Irrigation and Canal Company.
" Manager for do.
Exd. S. T. Angustin.

the information of Government, and in these para. 2, will be found the Chief Engineer's reasons for arranging the reestablishment on the scale proposed.

The instructions generally, appear to me to be well calculated to make the Inspecting Engineer's appointment of value. - I think, however, with regard to the latter part of the 1st clause of para. 1, that the Inspecting Engineer cannot possibly undertake the detailed audit of Store and Cash accounts including expenditure on works. - The accountant attached to his establishment may very well assist in obtaining a uniform practice in the mode of accounting, and be very useful in enabling the Divisional Officers to get rid of difficulties, which may be preventing them from bringing up arrears, and the Inspecting Engineer may very properly see that the expenditure on Stores or Manufacture of Stores is not excessive, that useless stores are not included for, and that those in the Divisions are made use of, and their value only debited to works and the stores relieved. But it would deprive the appointment of Inspecting Engineer of its best features were this Officer to be made an Auditor added to which it is quite certain that he would be quite unable to visit each division once in three months. - The establishment proposed will be quite sufficient for Mr. Latham's legitimate duties, and it would be quite inadequate for the audit duties apparently intended by the instructions.

I have the honor to be,
Your most obedient servant,
Lieut. Col. Wm. Captain,
Commanding for S. C. Co.

Ed. M. D. 1864

The appointment of a general auditor of travel was made in P. M. 4. 11. 1863-23 excepted but no appointment of the sort had been made.

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2. The attention of the Manager will be specially drawn to the last para of the Congre's letter.

Chepman
27th Oct/64

The Congre - S & C Co with 3 enclos.
Manager - ✓ Sept 28th October.

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Copy in a letter to E. J.
of 7th Dec. No 84 of 1864

9th 1864 Dated
(No. of Govt. of 124)
From J. 4521
The Com. Engineer & Co.
to The Secretary to Govt. of India
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Dated 17th Oct/64
Recd 18th

C. D.

Enc. 2. in original
to be returned

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Forwarded for sanction
Agent's application for the
revised rate for Mr. Latham
to enable him to perform the
duties of inspecting Engineer.

No 533.534

With an enclosure

22nd Oct 1864 No. 257