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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 9th March 1864.

No. 208. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel O. W. S. CHAMBERS, R. E., Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, to Colonel, C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Waltair, 22nd February 1864, No. 2,231 :—

SIR,

1. I beg to submit for the orders of Government the accompanying original letter from Assistant Surgeon Lowe, lately in charge of the Dowlaishweram Hospital, together with a pay bill of his.

2. Mr. Lowe whilst in charge of the Hospital drew a Staff salary of 160 Rupees per mensem.

3. In April of the past year, he received an order by telegraph from the Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals, Northern Division, to proceed to Masulipatam to relieve Dr. Robertson who had reported sick.*

This order is with the Comptroller and Auditor, Department Public Works.

4. Mr. Lowe was absent from the Dowlaishweram Hospital for one month and 23 days; for which period the allowance of 160 Rupees as above was drawn by the Civil Surgeon of Rajahmundry who did the work, whilst Mr. Lowe, who might have drawn the Civil salary available at Masulipatam, but who did not, as it was less than the 160 Rupees per mensem as before, drew nothing.

5. He now claims the pay which he would have drawn, had he not been sent temporarily away on duty from his station.

6. It does seem hard that an Officer should be called upon to make a march in the very hottest season of the year for the good of the public service, and yet be paid less than if he had been left undisturbed in his permanent employment.

No. 209. ORDER THEREON, 9th March 1864, No. 710.

1. The allowance of Rupees 160 per mensem referred to in the foregoing letter was sanctioned* by Government as a remuneration to the Medical Officer in charge of the Public Works Establishments at the Godavery Anicut, and as this charge devolved on the Civil Surgeon of Rajahmundry during Assistant Surgeon Lowe's employment on other duty from 1st May to 23rd June 1863, the former Officer was clearly entitled to and actually drew the allowance for that period,

* See paragraph 20, Chapter XV of the Civil Auditor's Manual.

2. Under these circumstances the Governor in Council is unable to admit the claim now preferred by Mr. Lowe, as such a measure would entail a double charge upon the Public Works Department.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 1st Division.
„ Controller and Auditor of Public Works Accounts.
„ Military Department,
with Note by the Honorable T. Pycroft.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Superintending Engr's
Office, 1st Dn. Waltair,
22nd February 1864.

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From

Lieut.t Col.l Chambers R.E.
Superintending Engineer

To

Colonel Charles A. Orr R.E.
Secretary to Government
Madras.

Sir,

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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obt Lieutenant
R. L. Chambers Lieut. H.C.E.
Superintending Engineer 5th Dn

No. 710

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To The Supt. Engineer 1st Div. Wks 1 Letter & 1 Bill
" Controller & Auditor of C. W. Accounts
" Military Reports Committee Secretary
the Hon'ble J. Bruce
Chief Clerk 29th March 1864.

Dated 29th March 1864

From The Supt. Engineer
1st Division
To
The Secy. to Govt.
P.W.D.

Dated 22d
Recd 23d February
Acknd 1st March

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Submitting for the orders of Government an original letter from Assist. Surgeon Lowe, Officiating in charge of the Dowleishweram Hospital together with a copy thereof.

No. 710-9th March 1864

Put in Order.

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* See Para. 20 Chapter XV of the Civil Audit Manual.

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c. 2nd March 64 R. 5th