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No. 476. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel G. W. WALKER, R. E., Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Coimbatore, 13th June 1865, No. 34 :—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to submit, for the orders of Government, a Statement of extra Establishment proposed to be entertained in the South Wynad Range.

2. I have no objection to two Road Superintendents while Mr. O'Shaughnessy has no Talook Overseer, but I see no occasion for entertainment of a third hereafter. And the Range Establishment having to be divided between South Wynad and Collegal, I think Mr. O'Shaughnessy can be allowed a Store-keeper, and each of his Road Superintendents a Writer. One for the Talook Overseer does not seem to be procurable even at the enhanced Wynad rate of pay of Rupees 22½.

3. I believe some such Establishment as the above was maintained in South Wynad last season, in addition to two Assistants on Rupees 150 each. And I have objected, and will object, to no such demands provided that they result not only in securing good supervision, but the speedy preparation of reliable plans and estimates. I do object, however, to the entertainment of such large Establishments without the latter object being obtained.

4. The Range Officer will not believe me that the orders of Government are imperative as to no such expenditure being charged against works. I request, therefore, that he may be authoritatively informed that he must accept my decision as right, and carry out the orders based thereon. He states that the monthly cost of the entire extra Establishment as per list does not exceed 10 per cent. on the allotment of his Range; the correctness of his assertion will depend much upon the amount of sanctions which he enables me to obtain from Government by submission of plans and estimates. At present, the per-centage is from 20 to 25 per cent. on the monthly credits which I am able to give him.

No. 477. ORDER THEREON, 20th June 1865, No. 1,705.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 39.

1. Mr. O'Shaughnessy will be informed, through the Superintending Engineer of the 7th Division, that, under the Orders of the Government of India, the cost of petty extra Establishments is not as heretofore to be charged against works, but against the grant specially provided for the purpose in Part IV. of the Imperial Budget.

2. The provision thus made is limited, and it is the duty of the local Officers to keep down the cost of temporary Establishments as much as possible. The necessity of this, however, does not appear to have been recognized by Mr. O'Shaughnessy in the management of the operations entrusted to his charge, and he will accordingly be directed to revise the Statement of petty temporary Establishments submitted by him, taking care that, both as respects numbers and rates of salary, no more than are absolutely necessary are provided for.

3. In ordinary cases 5 per cent. on the outlay on works would be a reasonable charge for extra Establishments, but, looking to the difficulties attending the execution of public works in the Wynad, the Government will not object to pass a higher per-centage in that Range on the recommendation of the Superintending Engineer.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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No 34

Superintending Engineer's Office 7th Div.
Coimbatore 13th June 1866.

Sir,

Lieutenant Colonel G. W. Walker R.E.
Superintending Engineer 7th Div.

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Yours Most Obedient Servant

Wm Walker Smith
Supt Engineer & Qu

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Read the following.
 From the Supg Engineer 7th Div.

Submits a Statement
 from Mr. Sub Engineer
 O'Shaughnessy, regard-
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 of South Wynnad Range

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 No. 2133.
 The Supg. Engineer
 7th Div.
 To
 The Secretary to Govt
 S. P. M. Madras

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