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Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
5th July 1865.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 113. From Lieutenant-Colonel G. W. WALKER, R. E., Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Coimbatore, 21st June 1865, No. 47.—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to submit, for the orders of Government, an abstract of the Collegal Range, with Memorandum of the Controller refusing audit thereof, on the plea of the Collegal and Errode Ranges having been amalgamated by G. O. No. 1,046 of 13th April 1864.

Enclosures 2.

2. It is a singular plea to bring forward now, for the first time, after passing twelve successive abstracts of the Range without objection. The order of Government approved of my proposition to provide an Executive Agent and Range Establishment for South Wynad at the expense of Collegal, as a temporary arrangement. It does not preclude my placing my special Supervisor and his Establishment in that Range when found convenient. In addition to which, the late order, increasing the Office Establishment of Ranges held by Upper Subordinates, has been availed of by me to split the Collegal Range Establishment, on its new footing; allotting to South Wynnad the Accountant and three Lascars, and to Collegal the Draughtsman in aid of the small Establishment of the special Supervisor, consisting only of a Goomashta and two Lascars.

3. It may be an object to the Controller to keep down the number of Ranges with whom he is in future to do business direct; but I cannot agree to having such an Executive arrangement forced upon me indirectly. Although the accounts of both Ranges have been for some time compiled in the Errode Range Office, those of each Range have been kept distinct; and in the Suttimungalum and Collegal Taluqs there is certainly quite enough work to be taken up to justify my working them separately, as soon as circumstances permitted. And I cannot conceive how the Controller justifies his refusal to audit the salary bill of the Special Supervisor, Taluq Overseers, and their Establishments, whatever objections he may have to the newly appointed Draughtsman being retained in Collegal instead of being sent to South Wynnad. The Controller's duties, as regards audit of salaries, should not be exercised arbitrarily, as I am inclined to think they have been not only in this case, but in those of Captain Kennedy's bill for April, and my own for May; both returned unaudited, with slight cause.

4. I take this opportunity of requesting approval for the transfer from a Canara Range to Errode, on the expiry of his privilege leave on 5th July, of Lieutenant Filgate, R. E.; whose state of health precludes his return to the West Coast, and will be benefited by the climate of Coimbatore District.

Referred to the Controller of Public Works Accounts for report. Captain Fischer will be good enough to furnish a Memorandum showing the particulars of the Office Establishment sanctioned for the Errode and South Wynnad Ranges, and that charged for in the abstracts of those Ranges for the month of May 1865.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
26th June 1865.

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

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No. 114. From Captain J. F. FISCHER, R. E., Controller of Public Works Accounts, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 29th June 1865, No. 541.

SIR,

1. With reference to the letter from the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, No. 47, dated 21st instant, forwarded for my report, I have the honor to state that after the South Wynad Range had been created, and the Collegal Range Officer and Establishment transferred to it, pay of an Overseer and his Establishment attached to the Bowany Taluq in the late Collegal Range is all that has been passed by this Office to the Officer in charge of the Errode Range up to April last.

2. The pay abstract of the Collegal Range for the month of May was returned unaudited by this Office, as it cannot be revived so long as the South Wynad Range is maintained without the special orders of Government. There was no alternative in the case referred to by Lieutenant-Colonel Walker but for this Office to have objected.

3. As requested I beg to annex a Memorandum showing the particulars of the Office Establishment sanctioned for the Errode and South Wynad Ranges, and that charged for those Ranges in the abstracts for the month of May last.

MEMORANDUM.

Sanctioned Cost of Errode Range Office.

1 Draughtsman	...	...	...	...	RS.
1 Accountant	...	...	...	...	40
4 Lascars @ Rs. 7	...	...	...	...	35
					28

Sanctioned Cost of South Wynad Range Office.

1 Accountant	...	...	...	...	RS.
2 Lascars @ Rs. 6	...	...	...	...	30
					12
					42
Add 50 per cent. sanctioned by Government	...	...	...	...	21
					63

These same items have been charged in the abstract for the month of May 1865.

(Signed) J. F. FISCHER, Captain R. E.,
Controller Public Works Accounts.

No. 115. ORDER THEREON, 5th July 1865, No. 1,884.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 15.

1. With a view to North and South Wynad being constituted separate executive charges, the Government, as a temporary measure, authorized the amalgamation of the Errode and Collegal Ranges, and the transfer to the South Wynad Range of the Office Establishment attached to the latter.

2. In the first of the letters above recorded, the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, reports that owing to the heavy work to be done in the Suttimungalum and Collegal Taluqs, he re-established the Collegal Range, and placed Mr. Supervisor Hamnett in charge. It appears, moreover, that the Draughtsman provided for in the new scale of Establishments, sanctioned in G. O. No. 1,137, dated 28th April 1865, was entertained for the South Wynad Range, and deputed to do duty under Mr. Hamnett.

3. The amalgamation of the Errode and Collegal Ranges having been ordered by Government, it was beyond the competence of the Superintending Engineer, without their previous sanction, to re-establish the latter as a separate executive charge; and under these circumstances, the Controller had no alternative but to

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return unaudited the salary abstract submitted for that Range for the month of May last. Moreover, the new scale of Range Establishments, sanctioned in the Orders quoted above, was not intended to be adopted until the transfer of the compilation of Accounts from the Superintending Engineers' Offices to those of the Range Offices had been effected.

4. Under the explanation submitted by Colonel Walker, the Government will not withhold their sanction to the re-establishment of the Collegal Range, and the Controller of Public Works Accounts will accordingly be authorized to pass for payment the abstract submitted for the month of May last.

5. The Superintending Engineer will be requested to provide for a permanent Establishment for the Collegal Range when preparing the Statement called for in G. O. No. 1,476, dated 1st June 1865, taking care that the aggregate amount sanctioned for Range Office Establishments in the 7th Division is not exceeded.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.
Controller of Public Works Accounts, with Bill.

No 67.

Superintendent Engineer's Office
Bombay 21st June 1865.

From

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

To

Colonel C. A. Orr R.E.
Secretary to Government S.D. W.
Madras.

Sir,

Enclosure 2.

I have the honor to submit for the
orders of Government an Abstract of the
Collegal Range, with Memo: of the Controller
refusing audit thereof; on the plea of the
Collegal and Error Range having been a
- malgamated by G.O. No 1046 of 13 April 1864.
2. It is a singular plea to bring forward
now for the first time, after passing 12
successive abstracts of the Range without
objection. - The Order of Government appro-
ved of my proposition to provide an Executive
agent and Range establishment for South Wy-
naad at the expense of Collegal, as a tem-
porary arrangement. - It does not preclude
my placing my Special Supervisor and his
Establishment in that Range when found
Convenient. In addition to which the late
order increasing the Office Establishment of

Rangers held by upper Subordinates has been
avoided of by me to split the Collegial Range &
Establishment, on its new footing; allotting to
South Wynad the Accountant and 3 Lascars,
and to Collegial the Draftsman in aid of the
small Establishment of the Special Supervisor
consisting only of a Gournastah and 2 Lascars.
3. If maybe an object to the Controller
to keep down the number of Rangers with whom
he is in future to do business direct, but I
cannot agree to having such an inconvenient
arrangement forced upon me indirectly. -
Although the Accounts of both Ranges have
been for some time compiled in the Controller's
Range Office, those of each Range have been
kept distinct; and in the Sulliamungalim
and Collegial Talooks there is certainly quite
enough work to be taken up to justify my
working them separately as soon as circum-
stances permit. - And I cannot conceive
how the Controller justifies his refusal
to audit the Salary Bill of the Special Supervisor,
Talook Overseers, and their Establishments, if
whatever objections he may have to the
newly appointed Draftsman being retained
in Collegial instead of being sent to South
Wynad. - The Controller's duties as regards
audit of salaries should not be exercised
arbitrarily, as I am inclined to think they
have been not only in this case, but in

those of Captain Kennedy's Bill for April,
and my own for May; both returned un-
assisted, with slight cause.

11. I take this opportunity of requesting
approval for the transfer from a Canara
Range to Erode, on the expiry of his
Privilege Leave on 5 July, of Sirutt Silgate
Rd., whose state of health precludes his
return to the West Coast, and will be
benefitted by the climate of Coimbatore Dist.

I have the honor to be

Yr Most obedient servant

W. Walker Smith Esq
Superintending Engineer

Office of the Controller of
P.W. Accounts
Madras 29th June 1865

N^o 541

From
Captain J. F. Fischer R.E.
Controller of P.W. Accounts
To Colonel C. A. Orr R.E.
Secretary to Government P.W.
Mt. Sain Range

Sir
With reference to the letter from
the Superintending Engineer 7th Division
N^o 47 dated 21st Instant forwarded for
my report. I have the honor to state that
after the South Wynnad Range had
been created and the Collegial Range
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Establishment attached to the Borany
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Range up to April last.

2. The Pay abstract of the
Collegial Range for the month of
May was returned unannotated
by this Office as it cannot be re-
vived so long as the South Wynnad
Range

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Received for
the Controller of P.W. Accounts
29th June 1865

To the Secretary to Govt
P.W. Accounts
Madras

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Dated 21st June 1865
J. F. Fischer

Submits for the order
of Govt an abstract of the
Collegial Range, with Conts
Memo, referring audit
on the basis of the Conts
Abstracts having been
submitted by J. F. Fischer
to the Govt of 1865.

1865-6 June 1865
J. F. Fischer

Referred to the Controller
of P.W. Accounts for report. Govt
having no objection will be good enough
to furnish a Memo, showing the
particulars of the Office Es-
tablishment sanctioned for
the Eroder and South Wynnad
Ranges, and that changed
for in the Abstracts of the
Ranges for the month of
May 1865.

To the Controller with 2 Encls
1865-6 June 1865
J. F. Fischer

Range is maintained without the special orders of Government. There was no alternative in the case referred to by Lieutenant Colonel Walker but for this Office to have objected

3. As requested I beg to enclose a Memo showing the particulars of the Office Establishment sanctioned for the Enrode and South Wynaad Ranges and that charged for those Ranges in the abstracts for the month of May last.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your Most Obedt Servant

Captain R.E.

Controller of M. Accounts

To
The Secretary to Government M.D.
Fort St. George

Memorandum
Cost of Enrode Range Office

1 Draftsman	40-0-0
1 Accountant	35-0-0
4 Lascars @ 7/-	28-0-0
	<u>103-0-0</u>

Cost of South Wynaad Range Office

1 Accountant	30-0-0
2 Lascars @ 6/-	12-0-0
	<u>42-0-0</u>
Add 50% sanctioned by Government	21-0-0
	<u>63-0-0</u>

Captain R.E.

Controller of M. Accounts

B.M.

No. 1884

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Under No. 5th July 1865
Read the following

From the Superintending Engineer
to the Dyke

Submits for the order of Govt
an abstract of the Collegal Ranges,
with Controller's Mem^o refusing
audit on the plea of the Collegal
and Erode Ranges having been amal-
gamated by G.O. No. 13 of 13 April 1864.
From the Controller of P.W. Accounts.

Reporting upon the Collegal and
South Erode Ranges Office Establishment.
(Here enter 29 June 1865
to 541)

With a view to North
and South Wynnad being
constituted separate ex-
ecutive charges, the Govt
as a temporary measure,
authorized the amalga-
mation of the Erode and
Collegal ranges, and the
transfer to the South Wy-
nnad range of the office
establishment attached to
the latter. In

W.M.

29 July 1865
P.W. Accounts
No. 12892

From
The Controller of P.W.
Accounts

To the Dyke & South Wynnad
Ranges

Dated 29 June 1865
No. 803
No. 571

Resolving upon
the Collegal and South
Wynnad Ranges Office
Establishment.

2. In the first of
the letters above recorded,
the Superintendent Engineer
Jth D^r reports that owing
to the heavy work to be
done in the Sullimangala
and Collegal Taluqs, he
re-established the Collegal
Range and placed Mr
Superior Hannett
in charge. It appears
moreover that the drafts-
man provided for in the
new scale of establish-
ments sanctioned in G.O.
No 1137, dated 28th April
1865, was entertained for
the South Wynnad Range
and deputed to do duty
under Mr Hannett.
The

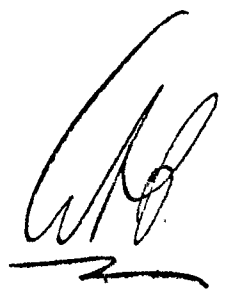
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The amalgamation
of the Erode and Collegal
Ranges having been ordered
by Government, it was
beyond the competence
of the Superintendent Eng^r,
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tion, to re-establish the
latter as a separate Co-
rective charge, and under
these circumstances, the
Controller had no alter-
native but to return un-
audited the salary Ab-
stract submitted for that
Range for the month of
May last. Moreover, the
new scale of range esta-
blishments sanctioned in
the orders quoted above
was not intended to be
adopted until the transfer
of

of the compilation of
Accounts from the Super-
intending Engineer's Office
to those of the Range
Officers, had been effected.

Under the explana-
tion submitted by Col.
Walker, the Government
will not withhold their
sanction to the re-establish-
ment of the Collegal Range,
and the Controller of
Public Works Accounts
will accordingly be au-
thorized to pass for pay-
ment the Abstract sub-
mitted for the month of
May last.

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The Superintending
Engineer will be requested
to provide for a perma-
nent establishment for
the Collegal range when
preparing the statement
called for in J. O.
No. 1476 dated 1st June
1865, taking care that
the aggregate amount sanc-
tioned for Range Office
Establishments in the 7th
Division is not exceeded.

To
The Supg Engr 7th D.
" Controller of
Accounts with Bill
Sept 5th 1865



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No. of Govt for July

71. 1884
No. of the M. Govt
D. 5 July 65

The reestablishment
of the College and Range Com
mission. D. 5. 1884. The
Controller authorized
to pay the pay abstract
of the range for May last.

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