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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
27th October 1865.*

No. 710. Read the following Endorsement of the Controller of Public Works Accounts, dated Madras, 21st October 1865, No. 1,710 :—

Read the following letter from the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Coimbatore, 17th October 1865, No. 156.

1. So much valuable time is necessarily consumed in Superintending Engineers' and the Controller's Offices in examining the Inspection Lists of Officers and Subordinates of the Department, that I am induced to propose, through the Controller, what appears to me to be a feasible compromise between our local rule of fixed allowances and the complicated Bengal rules, so far at least as the Subordinate ranks are concerned. The latter rules cannot well be applied, without modification, to this Presidency.

2. It would not be contrary to their spirit, and it would be quite in conformity with our local rule, to fix the following rates, viz. :—

Táluq Overseers Double horse allowance ;
Supervisors in charge of Ranges ... Treble do. do.,

appending the necessary certificates. The first rate would be identical with that drawn by Táluq Overseers since 1st May, and Rupees 10 more than the rate they drew for two years ; and by the second rate, Supervisors would get Rupees 5 over their old fixed rates. Hence neither class would have cause of complaint, and as mileage would not be allowed their Inspection Lists need not go up to the Controller. Sub-Engineers in charge of Ranges might also draw treble horse allowance, with the privilege of drawing mileage subject to approval of Superintending Engineers.

3. For the higher ranks I do not see how a fluctuating scale can be avoided without contravening the orders of the Supreme Government. But the relief from adopting my proposal, so far as it can go, will be great. In two of the Districts of the 7th Division it was long since ruled, that circumstances as to climate and country rendered it expedient not to insist on the carriage of tents by Officers either of the Revenue or Public Works Department.

Submitted through the Controller of Public Works Accounts.

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Lieut.-Colonel, R. E.,
Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.

Submitted for the orders of Government ; with the present strength of Establishment granted for this Office it is quite impossible for it to check all these In-

Enclosure 1. spection Reports and Bills, and the Superintending Engineer's suggestions are therefore quite concurred in by the undersigned.

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

No. 711. ORDER THEREON, 27th October 1865, No. 3,245.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 66.

1. The suggestion of the Superintending Engineer of the 7th Division that Táluq Overseers (those employed at the Presidency, Bangalore, and in Cantonments excepted) should be granted double horse allowance, on the production of the necessary certificates, in lieu of the daily travelling allowance, will be referred to the other Superintending Engineers for their opinion.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
27th October 1865.

2. It has been ruled in the Proceedings of Government No. 3,139, dated 20th October 1865, that, under paragraph 2, clause 4, of the Travelling Allowance Rules, treble horse allowance is admissible only to Subordinates employed at the Presidency, or for example "on embankments in the rainy season," and that, even in these cases, it is to be granted only when double horse allowance is insufficient to cover the necessary expenses of travelling. The Governor in Council is accordingly unable to entertain Colonel Walker's suggestions, so far as regards the grant of treble horse allowance to Supervisors and Sub-Engineers, in substitution of the daily rates of travelling allowance prescribed for those grades.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Controller of Public Works Accounts.
" Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.
To all other Superintending Engineers.

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No. 156
Supg. Engineer's Office,
7th Division
Combinator, 17th October 1865.
From
Lieut. Colonel J. W. Walker R.E.
Superintending Engineer 7th Division
To
Colonel C. A. Orr R.E.
Secretary to Government S. P. O. Madras.

Sir,
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To
The Secretary to
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Dated 21st Oct 1865
Recd 23rd Oct 1865

No. 1710.

Submits letter from
the Supg. Engineer of P. W.
proposing a method by
which Subordinates may
draw Travelling Allowances
without submission of
Inspection Reports to
this Office.

No. 3245-27 Oct 1865

Spec. Provision
New Travelling
Allowance Rules

No. 106

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Public Works Department
No. 3245

Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 27th October 1865
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From the Controller of
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To
The Controller of Accounts
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