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Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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Dated 19-12-	1865.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
19th December 1865.*

No. 365A. Read the following letter from R. KENNEDY, Esq., Executive Engineer Second Grade, on leave, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Madras, dated Elm Cottage, East Blackford Road, Edinburgh, 19th October 1865 :—

1. I have the honor to place in your hands, for transmission to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, through His Excellency the Governor in Council, this my resignation of the appointment I hold in the Department of Public Works in your Presidency.

2. My health has not being re-instated so far as to justify the hope of my ever again being able to discharge the duties of my position, should I return to India on the expiration of my leave of absence at the end of this year, as I am still suffering from the effects of exposure to the sun, and at my age (having nearly completed my forty-seventh year) a renewal of the exposure would only aggravate the disease.

3. I would therefore humbly request that the Right Honorable the Secretary of State may be pleased to accept of my resignation, and generously entertain my application for retiring allowance, in accordance with the rules of the Department.

4. I have been in the service of the Government of Madras for upwards of ten years, and during the whole of that time, no dissatisfaction has ever been expressed by any of my superiors, regarding my conduct, or the performance of my official duties, but on the contrary I have received the expressed approval of every Governor in Council since my appointment to the service by Lord Harris. It would be out of place to refer here to the many important projects on which I was engaged, in addition to performing my duties as Superintendent of the Eastern Coast Canal, yet I would respectfully beg to refer to my report on the Western Coast Canals, in the Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 3rd December 1862, to show the nature and value of those services, with which you, Sir, are personally acquainted. The report alluded to was drawn up under the personal directions of His Excellency Sir William Denison, and resulted, I believe, in important benefits to that part of the Presidency.

5. From the shortness of my service I cannot prefer any claim for pension, nor can I, as a matter of right, I believe, even claim the gratuity which it is in the power of the Right Honorable the Secretary of State to grant by the rules of the Department; I would only humbly and respectfully crave liberal consideration of the position in which I am now placed. In the re-organization of the Madras Department of Public Works, as per Gazette of 29th April last, my name was placed higher than that of any other Civil Engineer in the list, and now I find myself with a shattered constitution, from the effects of the climate of India, up in years without employment, and forced to resign a position in which I was honored by high approval, in the performance of duties which were to me a source of pride and pleasure.

6. I would have given longer notice of my intention, but did not know that my resignation should be sent in via Madras until after a few days ago.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
19th December 1865.

No. 365B.

ORDER THEREON, 19th December 1865, No. 3,811A.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 30.

1. The Governor in Council accepts Mr. Kennedy's resignation of his appointment in the Public Works Department.

2. Mr. Kennedy entered the Department on the 24th April 1855, and, under the rules, is not entitled to a pension, nor even to a gratuity except on the production of a certificate of unfitness for further service. In consideration, however, of the highly satisfactory manner in which Mr. Kennedy has acquitted himself in the various positions in which he has been employed; of the good service which he has rendered to the State during a period of nine years, and of his present impaired health caused by exposure to the sun in this country, His Excellency in Council resolves to submit his case, as a special one, for the favorable consideration of the Secretary of State, and to recommend that a gratuity equal to six months' salary of the appointment of Executive Engineer Second* Grade may be granted to Mr. Kennedy, with or without the production of a Medical Certificate, as Her Majesty's Government may determine.

* Rupees 750.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Controller of Public Works Accounts
To R. Kennedy, Esq.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

* in Council

Elm Cottage East, Blackford Road Edinburgh
19th Decr 1865
From R. Kennedy Esq. Executive Engineer
to
The Secretary to Govt. Public Works Dept. Madras
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I have the honor to place in your hands for transmission
to the Right Hon^{ble} the Secretary of State for India, through
His Excellency the Governor, this my resignation of the appointment
I hold in the Dept. of Public Works in your Presidency.
My health not being reinstated so far as to justify the
hope of my ever again being able to discharge the duties of my
position, should I return to India on the expiration of my
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I have been in the service of the Government of
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of that time, no dissatisfaction has ever been expressed
by any of my superiors, regarding my conduct, or the

performance of my official duties; but on the contrary, I have received the expressed approval of every Governor in Council since my appointment to the service by Lord Harrow. It would be out of place to refer here to the many important projects on which I was engaged, in addition to performing my duties as Supt. of the Eastern coast Canal. Yet I would respectfully beg to refer to my report on the Western Coast Canal in the Proceedings of the Madras Govt. dated 3^d December 1862, to show the nature and value of those services; with which you, Sir, are personally acquainted. The Report alluded to was drawn up under the personal directions of His Excellency Sir Wm Denison, and resulted, I believe in important benefits to that part of the Presidency.

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and now I find myself with a shattered constitution, and the effects of the climate of India, up in years without employment, and forced to resign a position in which I was honored by high approval, in the performance of duties, which were to me a source of pride and pleasure.

I would have given longer notice of my intention, but did not know that my resignation should be sent in via Madras until a few days ago.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

J. Kennedy

Department.

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Pro. of Govt for December
No. 4756

N. Kennedy Esq.
Esq. 2nd Grade
On leave

Dated 19 - October/65
Recd 29 - November 7

No. 3811 A 19th Decr/65

Transmits the resignation
of his appointment, and
prays that the Govt.
will generously
entertain his appli-
cation for a retiring
allowance.

No. 365 A.

Recd 8th Decr 1865 Dr. 16th
C. 10th Decr 1865 Dr. 16th

Memorandum

Public Works Dept

No. 3811 A

Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 19th December 1865
Read the following

From: N. Kennedy Esq.
Esq. Engineer 2nd Grade.
On leave.

Received 19th October/65

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his appointment, and prays
that the Government will gene-
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for a retiring allowance.

The Governor in
Council accepts a Mr.
Kennedy's resignation
of his appointment in
the Public Works Dept.
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tered the Department
on the 24th April 1855,
and, under the rules,
is not entitled to a
pension, nor even to a
gratuity except on the

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production of a Certificate
of unfitness for further
service. In consideration,
however, of the highly
satisfactory manner
in which Mr. Kennedy
has acquitted himself
in the various positions
in which he has been
employed; of the good
service which he has
rendered to the State
during a period of nine
years, and of his pre-
sent impaired health
caused by exposure to
the sun in this country,
His Excellency in Council
resolves to submit his

case, as a special one,
for the favorable con-
sideration of the Se-
cretary of State, and
to recommend that a
gratuity equal to six
months salary of the
appointment of Ex-
ecutive Engineer Second
grade may be granted
to Mr. Kennedy, with
or without the produc-
tion of a Medical
Certificate as Her
Majesty's Government
may determine.

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To
4 The Controller of
Accounts
1 R. Kennedy Esq.

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20th Decr/65 }
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R. Kennedy Esq. The re-
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mendation submitted to the Home Govt.
for the grant to -, of a gratuity equal
to six months salary of an Ex-
cise Inspector 2nd grade.

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