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10th September 1866.*

No. 216. Read the following Endorsement of the Officiating Superintending Engineer, 8th Division, dated Kodikarnel, 20th August 1866, No. 720 :—

From the Assistant Executive Engineer, 2nd Range, Dindigul, to the Superintending Engineer, 8th Division, dated Dindigul, 13th August 1866, No. 79.

1. I have the honor to submit the following letter, with a request that you will forward it to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.

2. Referring to the gradation list of the Engineer Establishment, published in the Asylum Press Quarterly Army List, dated 31st March 1866, I find that I am fourth on the list of second class Assistant Engineers; this, I beg with all deference to submit, is an error, as I should have been third on the list, *i. e.*, Mr. Wilson's name should have been after mine, and for the following reasons I beg that the same may be corrected.

3. First, I am senior to Mr. Wilson, as I obtained a higher place on the list at the examination in England; secondly, I passed my examination in this country and was appointed to the Department before him, as I was appointed a Second Assistant District Engineer on the 9th July 1861, whereas Mr. Wilson did not pass his final examination in the language, and, consequently, was not appointed to the Department, until the 24th January 1862; thirdly, in the gradation list of the Department, published in January 1863, my name was placed before his.

4. Mr. Wilson's name appeared before mine, for the first time, when the late organization of the Department was carried out, but I did not think anything of the matter then, or would I now, but for learning that my claim for promotion would only be considered after the claims of those above me on the list had been disposed of; and, even now, I should not have troubled Government in the matter, as I had made an application to the Government of India for the appointment of Executive Engineer fourth class; which, I have good grounds for believing, I should obtain; but when I mentioned the matter to Colonel Orr, he told me that he was of opinion that it would be useless to ask to be transferred, as Government had already refused to transfer another officer who made a similar application.

5. I beg also most respectfully to submit my claims for promotion again, and to refer to the list of Public Works Department, under the Government of India, to show how slow my promotion has been in comparison with others who passed their examination in England at the same time as myself, but whose lot it has been to be sent to Bengal Presidency.

Submitted to Government.

(Signed) W. PRENDERGAST, Captain, R. E.,
Officiating Superintending Engineer, 8th Division.

No. 217. ORDER THEREON, 10th September 1866, No. 2,878.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 20.

Mr. O'Ratigan's statement regarding his original standing in the Department appears to be correct; but, in consequence of his conduct having come under the animadversion of Government

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in September 1863, his confirmation as Assistant Engineer of the third class was deferred, and Mr. Wilson was selected in preference to fill a permanent vacancy which then occurred in that grade. Mr. O'Ratigan's claims, however, for restoration to the position which he forfeited in 1863, will be duly considered when an opportunity offers.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 8th Division

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

N: 74 2^d Range Office
Dindigul 13th August 1866

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The Asst. Executive Engineer
2^d Range Dindigul
To, The Superintending Engineer
8th Division

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(Signed) P. C. Horgan C.E.,
Assist^g Executive Engineer

N^o 720

Submitted to Government

Superint^g Engrs Office
Calcutta 20th
1861

Lawrence & Co. Captains R.E.
C.B. - Assistant Engineer S.D.

Public Works Department

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Under date the 10th Sept. 1866

Read the following

from
The Offg. Supg. Engineer of
the 8th Division - (H. B. No. 720 dated the 20 August 1866)

Mr. O'Katy's statement regarding his original standing in the Department appears to be correct; but, in consequence of his conduct having come under the animadversion of Government in September 1863 his confirmation as Assistant Engineer of the 3rd Class was deferred, and Mr. Wilson was selected in preference to fill a permanent vacancy which then occurred in that grade - Mr. O'Katy's claim, however, for restoration to the position which he forfeited in 1863, will be ^{fully} considered when an opportunity offers -

To the Supy 28th Sept.
Supy 11th Sept.

No. 2878

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Forwarded to the
Hon. Secy. to Govt.
of Madras
requesting that orders
may be issued
that may be considered.

Received 20th August 1866

Offg. Secy to Govt.

Offg. Secy to Govt.

28th Sept 1866

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of 10 Sept 1868

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