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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
21st September 1866.*

No. 541. Read the following Endorsement of the Controller of Public Works Accounts, dated Madras, 13th September 1866, No. 1,771 :—

Read the following letter from the Consulting Engineer Irrigation and Canal Company, to the Controller of Public Works Accounts, dated Camp, Kurnool, 8th September 1866, No. 48.

1. With reference to your Deputy's Memorandum, No. 330 of the 31st ultimo, intimating that, Consulting Engineers being placed on a footing with Chief Engineers, I am not entitled to Presidency house-rent, I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to inform me on what order this decision is based. It is mentioned also that Government have sanctioned such rent for Officers of, and below, the rank of Superintending Engineers, but the Proceedings Madras Government of the 10th August last, No. 2,526, recognizes no such distinction, and I am not aware of there being any other order on the subject.

2. The only order bearing on the question raised in the Memorandum, which I remember, is that issued on a reference from your office regarding the manner in which charges, made by the Consulting Engineer for Railways for the conveyance of horses by Railway, were to be supported; and in that case, if I remember aright, it was intimated that Consulting Engineers were considered to be on a footing with Chief Engineers as regards the absence of necessity for the countersignature of their bills by any superior authority.

3. I apprehend, however, that the analogy was not intended to extend to cases in which a Consulting Engineer is altogether differently circumstanced to a Chief Engineer, and I believe that the Chief Engineers, referred to in the order of the Government of India sanctioning Presidency house-rent for Officers of the Public Works Department at Madras, are Officers drawing consolidated salaries, and who are therefore excluded from a claim to house-rent in the despatch on this subject from the Secretary of State, while all Officers not drawing such consolidated salaries are included in the grant.

4. If I am not mistaken also there is no Chief Engineer at the Presidency station of either of the Governments in India, who does not draw a consolidated salary, and, if so, there does not appear to be any order or ruling which, even indirectly, would negative my claim to Presidency house-rent.

Submitted to Government for orders. Presidency house-rent has been disallowed to both the Consulting Engineers at Madras, on the ruling of the Accountant General, Department Public Works, as contained in paragraph 5 of his letter printed with G. O. of the 16th July 1866, No. 2,231.

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

No. 542. ORDER THEREON, 21st September 1866, No. 3,032.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 40.

The Government consider the objection which the Comptroller has made to the claim preferred by the Consulting Engineer for the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company to Presidency

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house-rent, to be groundless. The Order referred to by the Comptroller places Consulting Engineers on a footing with Chief Engineers only with respect to their certificates being deemed sufficient authority for admitting such charges as carriage of horses, &c. They are placed on this footing in consideration of being at the Head of separate Offices, and, in the same category are included Superintending Engineers and the Comptroller himself. In no other respects can they be considered on the footing of Chief Engineers, and they are clearly entitled to Presidency house-rent, according to their rank, when not drawing consolidated pay.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Controller of Public Works Accounts.
,, Consulting Engineer for Madras Irrigation and Canal Company.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Consulting Engineer's Office
Irrigation and Canal Co.
Camp Hurriool 8th September 1866

From
Captain John Mullins R. E.
Consulting Engineer Sand C. Co.
To
The Controller of
Public Works accounts.

1 With reference to your Deputy's Memo, N^o 330 of the 31st ultimo, intimating that, Consulting Engineers being placed on a footing with Chief Engineers, I am not entitled to Presidency House rent, I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to inform me on what order this decision is based. It is mentioned also that Government have sanctioned such rent for officers of, and below, the rank of Superintending Engineers, but the Proceedings Madras Government of the 10th August last, N^o 2526, recognizes no such distinction, and I am not aware of their being any other order on the subject.

2 The only order having on the question raised in the Memo, which I remember, is that issued on a reference from your office regarding

regarding the manner in which charges, made by the Consulting Engineer for Railways for the conveyance of horses by Railway, were to be supported; and in that case, if I remember aright, it was intimated that Consulting Engineers were considered to be on a footing with Chief Engineers as regards the absence of necessity for the countersignature of their bills by any superior authority.

3 I apprehend however that the analogy was not intended to extend to cases in which a Consulting Engineer is altogether differently circumstanced to a Chief Engineer, and I believe that the Chief Engineers, referred to in the order of the Government of India sanctioning Presidency House rent for officers of the Public Works Department at Madras, are officers drawing consolidated salaries, and who are therefore excluded from a claim to house rent in the despatch on this subject from the Secretary of State, while all officers not drawing such consolidated salaries are included in the grant.

4 If I am not mistaken also there is no Chief Engineer at the Presidency station of either of the Governments in India

India, who does not draw a consolidated salary, and, if so, then does not appear to be any order or ruling which, even indirectly, would negative my claim to Presidency House rent.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedient servant
Whitlimuir Captain R. G.
Consulting Engineer, &c.

No. 1771.

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Submitted to Government for order.
Presidency Stone will have been disallowed to
both the Consulting Engineers and Masons on
the ruling of the Accountant General. D. O. W.
and contained in No. 5 of his letter printed
with G. O. of the 16th July 1888 No. 2231.

Office of the Controller
of C. P. Accounts.
Madras 13th Sept. 1888.

Capt. W. B. S.

Controller of C. P. Accounts.

To
The Secretary to Government. D. O. W.
Fort St. George.

No. 48
From
The Consulting Engineer
D. O. W.

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The Controller of the
Public Works Account

Dated 18th
Re: September 1888

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Respect to inform
him on what order
the decision is based
regarding the Consulting
Engineers being placed
on a footing with Chief
Engineers and that he
is not entitled to
Presidency honours.

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From the Controller of
P.W. Accts. (Here enter No. 1771 of 13 Sept. 1866.)

To the Secy. to Government.
D. P. W.
Fort St. George.

Dated 13th
Rees. 14th 3 Sept. 1866.

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Forwards for dis-
posal the claim for
Presidency House Rent
preferred by the Con-
sulting Engineer & Irriga-
tion & Canal Company.

No. 541

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Public Works Department.
No. 3032

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 21st Sept. 1866.

Read the following

From the Controller of
P.W. Accts. (Here enter No. 1771 of 13 Sept. 1866.)

N. J.

The Government con-
sider the objections which
the Comptroller has made
to the claim preferred by
the Consulting Engineer for
the Madras Irrigation and
Canal Company to Presi-
dency House Rent, to be
groundless (and ~~unreasonable~~)
The order referred to by
the Comptroller places
Consulting Engineers on a
footing with Chief Engineers
only with respect to their
Certificates being deemed
sufficient authority for
admission

admitting such charges
as carriage of horses &c.
They are placed on this
footing in consideration
of being at the head
of separate Offices,
and, in the same cate-
gory are included Su-
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and the Comptroller
himself. In no other
respects can they be
considered on the footing
of Chief Engineers, and
they are clearly entitled
to Presidency House Rent,
according to their rank,
when not drawing con-
solidated pay.

W.B.

To
4 The Comptroller ✓
4 " Consy. Eng^s. for Madras
J. H. Compy. ✓

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Pro: of the Madras Govt
D^y 21st Sept 1886

The Comd informed that his
objection to the claim preferred by
the Consulting Engineer of the Madras
W.C. to Presidency House-vent
is groundless &c.

N^o 671-672.