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No. 588. Read the following letter from the Director of Public Instruction, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Bangalore, 12th September 1866, No. 1,910:—

1. I have the honor to forward the accompanying letter,* No. 377 of the 8th instant, from the Acting Principal Civil Engineering College.

* Requested to be returned.

2. It would no doubt be a good stimulus to the students in the College, if their seniority in the Department of Public Works could be made to depend upon their proficiency when passing out of the Institution. I feel, however, that much difficulty might be experienced, supposing the boon sought to be granted, if the students were further permitted to select particular Districts.

3. In these circumstances I do not feel at liberty to urge compliance with Captain Chrystie's proposal. I trust, however, that consideration may be given it, and that, if practicable, the seniority of the students in the Department of Public Works may be determined by the places taken by them at their final examination.

From the Acting Principal Civil Engineering College, to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras, dated Chepauk, 8th September 1866, No. 377.

1. I have the honor to enclose a list of the Students who passed out of the College at the annual examination in May last, and who have since been successful in obtaining appointments as Táluq Overseers. The names of the students are entered in the list in the order in which they came out of the examinations, and the number of marks which each obtained is also entered.

2. Previous to the examination, Captain Edgcome had ascertained from the different Superintending Engineers the number of vacancies which existed in each Division, and the passed candidates were allowed to select the Districts to which they preferred to be appointed, those standing highest on the list having the right of first choice. The Superintending Engineers were then told the names of the men who had volunteered for their Districts, and requested to send orders directing them where they had to join, and to whom to report themselves, and on the receipt of such orders, the newly appointed Overseers were at once sent off to their respective destinations.

3. It will be seen from the last column of the list now forwarded, that some of those who were most successful in the examinations did not receive their orders to join until after many of those who had come out below them had already started, and as they did not come on to the strength of the Department Public Works, until they had reported their arrival to take up their appointments, they now rank on the list for departmental promotion below those whom they beat in the College Examination, but who were fortunate enough to receive their orders to join earlier.

4. It is of course of primary importance that every inducement should be held out to students to exert themselves whilst at the College, and with this view, I think it most undesirable that any student should be deprived, by fortuitous circumstances, over which he has personally no control, of the advantages, which by his abilities and application to his studies, he has fairly earned. I would, therefore, suggest that the list which I now enclose should be forwarded to Government, with your recommendation, that the names of the men therein entered should be borne on the list of the Establishment of Public Works in the order in which they stood in the examinations.

5. If you think this suggestion a good one, there is no reason why a similar course should not be followed every year, but, in the case of men for whom there may not be vacancies found at once, it will be necessary to fix some date, say one year, within which they must join the department in order to avail themselves of the privilege of entering on the strength according to their places in the Examination lists.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 24th September 1866.

List of men who passed out of the Civil Engineering College as Táluq and Assistant Overseers, with their rank on the results of the Annual Examination held in May 1866, and dates of appointment in the Department Public Works.

Position at the Examination.	Total number of marks gained at the Examination.	Names of certificated men.	For what grade.	Division to which appointed.	Date they left College to take up appointment.
1	1,943	Quarter Master Serjeant A. Milne	Taluq Overseer, D. P. W.	5th Division	26th June 1866.
2	1,942	Private S. Munn	Do.	1st Do.	28th July 1866.
3	1,799	Do. G. Lalor... ..	Do.	5th Do.	21st June ,,
4	1,678	Do. W. Hyde... ...	Do.	7th Do.	16th ,, ,,
5	1,571	Mr. J. R. Dighton ...	Do.	3rd Do.	24th ,, ,,
6	1,563	Gunner H. Appleby ...	Do.	2nd Do.	26th ,, ,,
7	1,541	Private R. Bamfield ...	Do.	7th Do.	18th ,, ,,
8	1,452	G. Thyriapillay ...	Do.	7th Do.	25th July ,,
9	1,402	Private W. Brewer ...	Do.	7th Do.	18th June ,,
10	1,327	Mr. A. Johnson ...	Do.	7th Do.	23rd ,, ,,
11	1,216	Mr. J. Prout ...	Do.	3rd Do.	... ,, ,,
12	1,064	Mr. P. Thomas ...	Assistant Overseer, Bengal D. P. W.	7th Do.	23rd ,, ,,
13	1,024	Mr. F. Cripps ...	Do.	7th Do.	23rd ,, ,,

(Signed) W. CHRYSTIE, Captain, R. E.,
Acting Principal Civil Engineering College.

CHEPAUK,
8th September 1866.

No. 589. ORDER THEREON, 24th September 1866, No. 3,056.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 46.

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2. In the event of it being found impracticable, owing to absence of vacancies, to provide for the whole of the passed Students of the College in the year in which they are declared qualified, such of them as may be left unemployed should have prior claim to those who may pass at the ensuing examination.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Director of Public Instruction.
,, Superintending Engineers.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No 1910

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From

E. B. Powell Esq

Director of Public Instruction

Madras.

To

The Secretary

to Government D. P. W.

Fort St. George

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
J M Bywell
Director of Public Instruction

Office of the Director
of Public Instruction
Bangalore 12th Septr 1866

Extract

Public Works Department.

No. 3056

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 24th Septr 1866.

Read the following

From the Director of Public Instruction -

(Here enter No. 1910 - 12 Septr 1866.)

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By Order of the Governor in Council

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To the Secretary to Government Public Works Department

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Dated 12 September 1866.

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With 2 Enclosures

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Sending with remarks Letters from the Principal Civil Engineering College and the Professor of Civil Engineering on the employment of certain Students of the Institution

Copy to Secretary to Government Public Works Department

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Entered 24 Septr 1866.

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Passing orders on certain proposals relative to the Seniority of Students of the Civil Engineering College in the Dept Pub Works being determined by the places taken by them at their finals examination.

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