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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
5th December 1866.*

No. 62. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Educational Department:—

Requesting that Corporal Primm may be relieved of his duties under Mr Fraser with a view to his being re-admitted into the Civil Engineering College, and intimating that the acceptance of an appointment by a Student who has not completed his course of instruction will entail on him the forfeiture of the advantages consequent on passing successfully through the College.

(Here enter 23th November 1866, No. 330.)

No. 63. ORDER THEREON, 5th December 1866, No. 3,852.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 7.

Communicated to Mr. W. Fraser, who will relieve Corporal Primm as early as practicable.

(True Extract.)

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

To W. Fraser, Esq., C. E., Special Executive Engineer.
To the Controller of Public Works Accounts.
" Superintending Engineer, 4th Division.

Exd. S. T. Augusta.

No. 84. Read the following letter from the Director of Public Instruction, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 2nd November 1866, No. 2303.

I have the honor to submit a letter from Captain Edgecome, referring to the case of Corporal Pimm, who, in Order of Government, No. 290, of the 11th instant, was directed to be struck off the Roll of the Civil Engineering College.

2. The first intimation I had upon the subject of the Corporal's removal from the College was given in an incidental remark in a letter from the Principal, No. 632, of the 17th February 1865, which has already been laid before Government, and in which it was stated that Corporal Pimm was about to take up an appointment in the Department of Public Works. On the 21st idem, Captain Rogers, who had then begun to act for Captain Edgecome, reported to me that the Corporal had been temporarily struck off the Roll of the College, from the date of his being employed on special duty under Mr. Fraser. This led me to make further inquiries upon the subject; and, in my letter to the Acting Principal, I observed that I doubted the propriety of temporarily removing a student, in order that he might assume charge of duties, and that, in any case, previous sanction should be obtained for such a step. The Order of Government in the Department of Public Works, No. 419, of the 13th February 1865, sanctioning the removal, was then forwarded to me for the first time.

3. It is to be noted that Corporal Pimm has now lost two Sessional examinations at the College, while the whole period of tuition there, as contemplated in the programme of studies, is only two years. To prevent, in future, such awkward complications as the one which has now arisen, I beg to recommend that, hereafter, a student be not permitted on any account to take up an appointment till he has passed successfully his final examination at the College. Had I been previously made aware of the Corporal's proposed removal, I should have made a recommendation of the above nature in regard to him.

4. To meet the present difficulty, I do not see that it is necessary to cancel Order of Government, No. 290, as suggested by Captain Edgecome: it appears to me that it would suffice if authority were given for the Corporal's re-admission into the College, on his services being dispensed with by Mr. Fraser. I presume there would be no difficulty in carrying this out. I cannot but think, however, that it would be well for the Corporal's temporary employment under Mr. Fraser to be brought to a close as speedily as practicable. With a salary of 100 Rupees per mensem in his temporary appointment, I believe he is actually better off than may be the case if he passes the final examination and goes forth into the Department of Public Works.

From Captain W. H. EDGCOMBE, R. E., Principal, Civil Engineering College, to the Director of Public Instruction; dated Chempak, 26th October 1866, No. 495.

In obedience to Government Order, No. 290, dated 11th instant, I have the honor to report that Corporal Pimm was struck off the College Roll from 1st idem, but I desire to represent the hardship this involves, since (vide Government Order, No. 1156, dated 5th May 1866) the Corporal is only temporarily employed under Mr. Fraser.

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2. He informs me that had he remained in the College, he would, in all probability, have obtained an Overseer's Certificate with his contemporaries in May 1865, and be now borne on the permanent establishment of Upper Subordinates, and that, unless, as a special case, that position be now given him, the time spent under Mr. Fraser will have been lost; he is, therefore, anxious to resign his present appointment, and re-join the College.

3. The hardship, therefore, is that, as matters now stand, I have no authority to re-admit him, as he is no longer under my orders, so that if he resign he must re-join his Corps at Bangalore.

4. It seems to me, therefore, that, in common fairness, the Corporal should either be now brought permanently on the Upper Subordinate Establishment, Public Works Department, or be retained on the strength of the Military Students of the College, so that, in the event of his resigning his temporary appointment, he might at once re-join the College, and by obtaining a Certificate as Overseer, secure a permanent post in the Public Works Department; and as it is not my duty to make any proposal regarding the former measure, I request that, in order to carry out the latter, you will be good enough to have the Order of Government, No. 290, dated 11th instant, cancelled.

No. 85. ORDER THEREON, 28th November 1866, No. 360.

Communicated to the Department Public Works, that arrangements may be there made for relieving Corporal Pimm of his duties under Mr. Fraser, as early as practicable, in view to his re-admission into the Civil Engineering College.

2. The Governor in Council directs that it be intimated to the Students of the Civil Engineering College that the acceptance by a Student of an appointment, before he has completed the prescribed course of instruction, will entail on him the forfeiture of the advantages consequent on passing successfully through the College.

(True Extract).

G. J. Cunningham
Chief Secretary.

To the Director of Public Instruction.
,, Public Works Department.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

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To W. W. Webb, Esq.
Pres. of Gov. & Gen. December
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Pro. of the Minister of
in the Educational Dept.

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Per J. P. Lee

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Requesting that
Corporal Johnson may be
relieved of his duties
under Mr. Trevelock, with a
view to his being re-
admitted into the Civil
Eng. College, intimating
that the acceptance of
an appointment by a
Student who has not
completed his course
of instruction, will entail
on him the forfeiture of the
advantages consequent on
passing successfully
through the College.

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Sept 6th December

James H. Trevelock
will release Corporal
Johnson as soon as practicable

240 Trevelock C. S. Webb Esq.
Governor of Massachusetts
1866

W. W. Webb