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23rd February 1866.*

No. 528. Read the following letter from the Superintending Engineer, 6th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Tanjore, 13th February 1866, No. 1,841:—

1. I regret to have to trouble you relative to the refusal, on the part of the Controller, to pass Palkee allowance for the first fifteen days of December for Supervisor Kupusawmy Rajoo.

2. The remark made by me at the foot of the Inspection Report was made to account for no allowance being drawn for the latter part of the month, as explained in letter No. 1,786 to the Controller. While marching and visiting

6th February. works early in December, the Supervisor kept up an establishment of bearers; during the monsoon it is necessary to do so in the Nunnium Taluq, which is one net work of channels.

3. The Supervisor could not entertain his bearers one day, dismiss them the next, and re-entertain them on the third day; he has kept a palkee and bearers since the month of October, and as the monsoon may be said to have terminated in the middle of December, I deemed it unnecessary for the Supervisor to keep up his bearers after that date.

4. The last two letters on the subject are enclosed, it is needless to trouble you with the others; with reference to Captain Fischer's indignation at my having addressed Lieutenant Filgate on the subject, I would observe that the original Memorandum, declining to pass the Bill, was signed by Lieutenant Filgate, and in replying, I addressed that Officer without considering that he was not at the head of the office; when however the Memorandum was brought to me for signature, I detected my inadvertence, and instead of having the Memorandum re-copied I sent it through the Controller, making the alteration in my own hand, which Captain Fischer does not appear to have noticed originally, and now ignores.

5. I would suggest either that all control over the travelling allowances of the Subordinate Establishment should be placed in the hands of the Controller, or that he should be directed not to question the sums passed by the Superintending Engineers; the time now taken up by correspondence on the subject would, if estimated by its money value, be found far to exceed the amounts regarding which the correspondence takes place, and with the limited office establishment at the Superintending Engineers disposal other and more important work is seriously retarded thereby. The Controller is fortunate in having an office in which this apparently is not felt.

6. If the Controller is still to control the travelling allowances of the Subordinate Establishments, I would suggest that he should submit any differences directly to Government, instead of returning the Bills, &c., to the Superintending Engineers' offices, which only delays the final settlement.

7. *Enclosures.*—One Inspection Report; one Travelling Allowance Bill; one letter to Controller, No. 1,786, dated 6th instant; one from Controller, No. 3,138, dated 10th February.

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ORDER THEREON, 23rd February 1866, No. 637.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 45.

As the Superintending Engineer of the 6th Division explains that a Palkee and an establishment of Bearers were actually and necessarily kept up by Supervisor Kupusawmy Rajoo from the 1st to the 15th December last, the Controller of Public Works Accounts is authorized to pass to that Subordinate the travelling allowance of his grade for the period in question. At the same time, the Government hope that the Superintending Engineer satisfied himself that the work of the Range was efficiently conducted with the small amount of travelling which is shown to have been performed by the Supervisor in charge.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 6th Division, with four Enclosures.
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Bangalore 13th February 1866.

From The Superintending Engineer
6th Division (3)

To The Secretary to Government
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Your most obedient servant

J. P. Bates Captain R.E.
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The Deputy Engineer
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