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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 10th January 1866.

No. 249. Read the following Proceedings of the Right Honorable the Governor General of India in Council, Public Works Department (Establishment), dated Fort William, 12th December 1865 :—

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2. In my Despatch dated June 8th, (No. 30,) 1865, I conveyed to you my sanction and approval of your measures with reference to the proportions of the several grades of Superintending and Executive Engineers, and I now perceive that the Madras Government has expressed its readiness to adopt your suggestion on this point.

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No. 1,894 E.

Copy forwarded to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, for information.

(Signed) R. B. PEMBERTON, Captain, R. E.,
Assistant Secretary to the Government of India.

No. 259. ORDER THEREON, 10th January 1866, No. 121.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 21. Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

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

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(Signed) H. Merivale Capt. R.E.
Offg. Secretary to the Govt. of India.

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Communicating Despatch from the Secy. of State approving of the sanction accorded by the Govt of India to the revised scale of Establishment for the Madras P.W.D. and of the allotment of a daily travelling Carriage for the use of Superintending travelling officials employed in that Presy.

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