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Public Works **DEPARTMENT.**

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27th August 1867.*

No. 608. Read the following letter from the Consulting Engineer for Irrigation and Canal Company, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Camp at Kurnool, 12th August 1867, No. 54:—

1. I have the honor to submit, for the orders of Government, the correspondence as per margin, relative to the amount to be passed to certain Engineers to cover the expense of joining their stations on first arrival from England.

From Agent, No. 166, 12th ultimo.
To " " 105, 15th "
From " " 177, 19th "

2. The Agreement, into which the Engineers referred to entered with the Company, provides for the payment to them of "a fair allowance for conveyance from Madras to the locality to which the employed shall be directed to proceed by the Manager of the Company on his arrival in Madras."

3. The amounts proposed to be paid to the Engineers in the first letter from the Agent quoted above appeared to me to be larger than was necessary, and, moreover, they did not seem to be proportioned to the distances travelled. I therefore pointed out the way in which it seemed to me the fair allowance should be calculated, and in his second letter the Agent asks for a re-consideration of the matter.

4. All the Engineers had to proceed by rail to Cuddapah, and I think the fair allowance for this part of the journey in each case would be—

First.—Three Annas a mile for the Engineer and his servants.

Second.—The cost of sending by goods train three cart-loads of baggage, say 37 Maunds, and this would amount to not more than 30 Rupees.

Third.—The cost of sending one horse by rail, Rupees 15-3-0, if one were taken.

For the rest of the journey by road the allowance would be the cost of three carts, which at present is about 2½ Annas per cart per mile, and which might be put at 3 Annas per cart per mile, or 9 Annas a mile for three carts.

5. All these Engineers are in the receipt of field allowances, and I think there can be no doubt that all the necessary expenses incurred in the conveyance of themselves, and all the baggage which they would require for the performance of their duties, would be amply provided for by the above scale of charges, and that, therefore, the fair allowance contemplated by the Agreement would be made.

6. I do not recommend that a fixed allowance,* Rupees 150, be made to each Engineer for the future to cover the expense of joining his station, via Kurnool. In some cases the charge would be in excess, and in others it would fall short of what would be necessary; and, in the latter case, an Engineer would claim, and would have to be paid any difference to which he might be entitled under his Agreement. It is necessary, therefore, that the mileage travelled, and the manner of travelling, whether by railway or by road, be in all cases the basis of the calculation, and I do not think there would be any difficulty in drafting the requisite rules, so that every Engineer might be able to make out at once the allowance which he would be entitled to claim.

* Last paragraph of Agent's No. 166.

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7. I may add that, on referring to the records of my Office, I find that under similar Agreements to those affecting the Engineers referred to in this correspondence, the allowances granted for joining on first appointment were much less liberal than those which the Agent has now proposed.

Mr. East, for joining at Nellore, received Rupees 43-5-0

„ L. Roberts „ „ „ 13-2-0

„ C. A. Wilks „ Kunder, „ „ 110-1-8

„ C. Monckton „ Nagatoor, „ „ 110-1-9

and in some cases the field allowances were not given until after the arrival of the Engineers at their head-quarter stations.

8. It will be noticed that the scale of charges proposed for sanction in this letter is more ample than that suggested in my letter† to the Agent. I have made

† No. 105.

the alteration, because it might perhaps be urged that the “fair allowance” is altogether additional to the field allowances, and that the latter would, especially on first arrival, be to a great extent absorbed by the expenses attending the purchase of camp requisites.

Names.	Salary. Rs.	Allow- ance. Rs.	Date of embarkation from England.	Arrived at Madras.	From what date pay drawn.	From what date allowance drawn.
Mr. S. Perkes, Executive Engineer ...	800	150	20th Jan. 1867.	23rd Feb. 1867.	21st Jan. 1867.	21st Feb. 1867.
„ T. A. Smart, „ ...	600	150	Do.	Do.	20th do.	Do.
„ J. Carruthers „ ...	800	150	Do.	Do.	No pay and allowance drawn as yet.	
„ W. Ridley, „ ...	600	150	Do.	Do.		
„ H. P. Higginson, „ ...	600	150	Do.	Do.		
„ A. J. Dodson, „ ...	800	150	25th Nov. 1866.	25th Dec. 1866.	20th Jan. 1867.	21st Feb. 1867.
„ A. Browning, „ ...	600	150	4th Feb. 1867.	11th Mar. 1867.	25th Nov. 1866.	1st Jan. „
„ J. F. Schwartz, „ ...	600	150	20th do.	26th do.	6th Feb. 1867.	Not drawn yet.
„ L. C. Ross, „ ...	800	150	23th Mar. 1867.	23rd April 1867.	25th do.	Do.
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From the Agent and Manager of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, to the Consulting Engineer for Irrigation and Canal Company, dated Madras, 12th July 1867, No. 166.

1. I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to obtain sanction for the payment of the following sums by way of travelling expenses:—

To	Rs.	A.	P.
Mr. Perkes, Nundial	130	0	0
Do. Smart, „	130	0	0
Do. Browning, Kurnool	150	0	0
Do. Ross, „	150	0	0
Do. Higginson, Pennair	120	0	0
Do. Carruthers, Dhoor	113	14	10
Do. Ridley, „	112	14	2
Do. Schwartz, Kurnool	124	5	3

2. You will observe that these gentlemen by their Agreements are entitled to a fair allowance for their conveyance from Madras to their place of duty, and as they had to carry necessa-

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ries, in the way of furniture as well as articles of equipment, I do not think the several sums I propose as above to allow them can be considered excessive.

3. I should mention that in the case of the five gentlemen first named, the sums claimed were very much in excess of the amounts I have set down, and that in the three last cases the sums put down are those actually claimed.

4. I propose, in future, that all Engineers joining from England on first appointment shall proceed at once to Kurnool for the purpose of reporting themselves to the Chief Engineer, and that they shall receive the fixed sum of Rupees 150, and no further allowance for travelling expenses whatever the place of their destination may be. I shall be glad if you will obtain sanction for this arrangement.

From the Consulting Engineer for Irrigation and Canal Company, to the Agent and Manager of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, dated Madras, 15th July 1867, No. 105.

1. In acknowledging the receipt of your letter No. 166, of the 12th instant, I have the honor to inform you that the sums proposed to be paid to the Engineers therein named, as travelling expenses from Madras to their stations, appear to me to be larger than is proper. All that the Company are, I think, bound to do is to pay their Engineers the expenses necessarily incurred in conveying themselves and such an equipment as is necessary for field work. All these Engineers were in the receipt of field allowances, and if to these be added the amount which the Government allow their Officers, viz., 3 Annas

This would give Rupees 69-7-0 to Nundial, and Rs. 92-2-0 a mile for railway travelling, and 8 Annas a mile by road, there can, I think, be but little

doubt that a sufficient provision will have been made. A Government Officer would get nothing but the mileage allowance.

2. I should add that the Engineers on joining are not differently circumstanced to those who may be transferred from one station to another at a distance. Take Mr. East's transfer from Nellore to Kurnool for instance. He received, in addition to field allowance, Rupees 101-0-9 for the march from Nellore to Kurnool, and in other cases, I believe, the extra charges have very rarely exceeded the mileage allowances which I have proposed shall be granted to Engineers on first joining.

3. I may add that the Railway charge for one horse may be allowed in addition to the mileage allowance, when a horse was actually conveyed by Railway.

From the Acting Agent and Manager of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, to the Consulting Engineer for Irrigation and Canal Company, dated Madras, 19th July 1867, No. 177.

1. I have the honor to acknowledge your letter No. 105, of the 15th instant, with reference to the travelling allowances to Engineers who have recently joined on first appointment.

2. With reference to your paragraph 2, in which you adduce the case of an Engineer removing from one station to another as being on all fours with that of these Officers, I beg to observe that there does not appear to me to be any analogy between the two cases. Take Mr. East's case, to which you especially refer. The allowance to that gentleman was essentially a boon to which, as matter of right, he could make no claim, while the Engineers whose travelling expenses are under discussion can and do claim “a fair allowance” by special agreement.

3. Without interpreting the Agreements in too liberal a spirit, I do think these Officers are entitled and can claim to be conveyed, with reasonable “impedimenta,” to their place of duty free of expense to themselves. Can the sums named by you for Kurnool and Nundial be considered “fair allowance,” when they probably do not more than half cover the expenses the Engineers were put to?

4. I would add that there can be no comparison between Government Officers and our Engineers, seeing the former are bound by the rules of the service from which there can be no departure, while the latter claim, as I have said, under special Agreement.

5. I shall be glad if you will kindly re-consider the matter.

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No. 609.

ORDER THEREON, 27th August 1867, No. 2,611.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 71.

The Government concur with the Consulting Engineer for the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company in considering the scale of allowances proposed in paragraph 4 of this letter to be fair and liberal, and they desire that it be adopted in determining the amounts to be passed to the Company's Engineers when proceeding to join their Stations on their first arrival from England.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Consulting Engineer for the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company.
,, Manager for do. do.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

	Salary - Allowance	Date of embarkation for England	Amount at departure	Amount at arrival	Amount at departure	Amount at arrival
Mr. Parker Esq.	900 - 150 -	20 Aug/67	20 Aug/67	20 Aug/67	20 Aug/67	20 Aug/67
Mr. J. Carruthers	800 - 150 -	10	10	10	10	10
Mr. H. Pasley	600 - 150 -	10	10	10	10	10
Mr. P. Hingginson	600 - 150 -	10	10	10	10	10
Mr. A. J. Dodson	800 - 150 -	25 Aug/66	25 Dec/66	25 Nov/66	1 Jan/67	1 Jan/67
Mr. A. Provinge	800 - 150 -	4 Feb/67	11 Mar/67	6 Feb/67	11 Mar/67	11 Mar/67
Mr. J. P. Schindler	600 - 150 -	20	20	20	20	20
Mr. E. Ross	800 - 150 -	20 Mar/67	25 April/67	20 Mar/67	25 April/67	25 April/67

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August 1867. No. 2,611.

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Madras Irrigation Manual
No. 17. Madras 19th July 1867.

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The Acting Agent and Manager
Madras Irr. Manual.

To The Consulting Engineer

Madras Irr. Manual.

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Sr.
Yours most Obedt. Servt.

W. B. Smith

Atty. Agent & Manager

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Consulting Engineer's Office
Irrigation and Canal Co.
Madras 15th July 1867.

From
Captain John Mullins R.E.
Consulting Engineer I.C.C.

To
The Agent and Manager I.C.C.
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The Agent and Manager
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The Consulting Engineer
Irrigation and Canal Co.
Madras 19 July 1867
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Explanation regarding
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Yours truly
 Chief Accountant

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Consulting Engineer's Office
Irrigation and Canal Co.
Camp Hurmol 12th August 1867

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Captain John Mullins R.E.
Consulting Engineer I.R.C.
To
Colonel C. S. Orr R.E.
Secretary to Government P.W.

Sir,
I have the honor to submit for the
orders of Government the correspondence, as
From Agent Rs 166-12^{1/2} per Margin, relative to the amount to be paid
To " " 115-15
From " " 177-19 to certain Engineers to cover the expense of
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I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant

Columbiana Captain R. B.
Consulting Engineer M.C.C.

To
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Submits for the order of Genl. the correspondence within mentioned relative to the amount to be paid to certain Engineers to cover the expenses of joining their Stations in India from England. No 2611-27th Aug 1867

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Recd 12th Aug 1867

To the Secretary to the M.C.C.
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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 27th August 1867

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From The Consulting Engineer
for I & C Company.

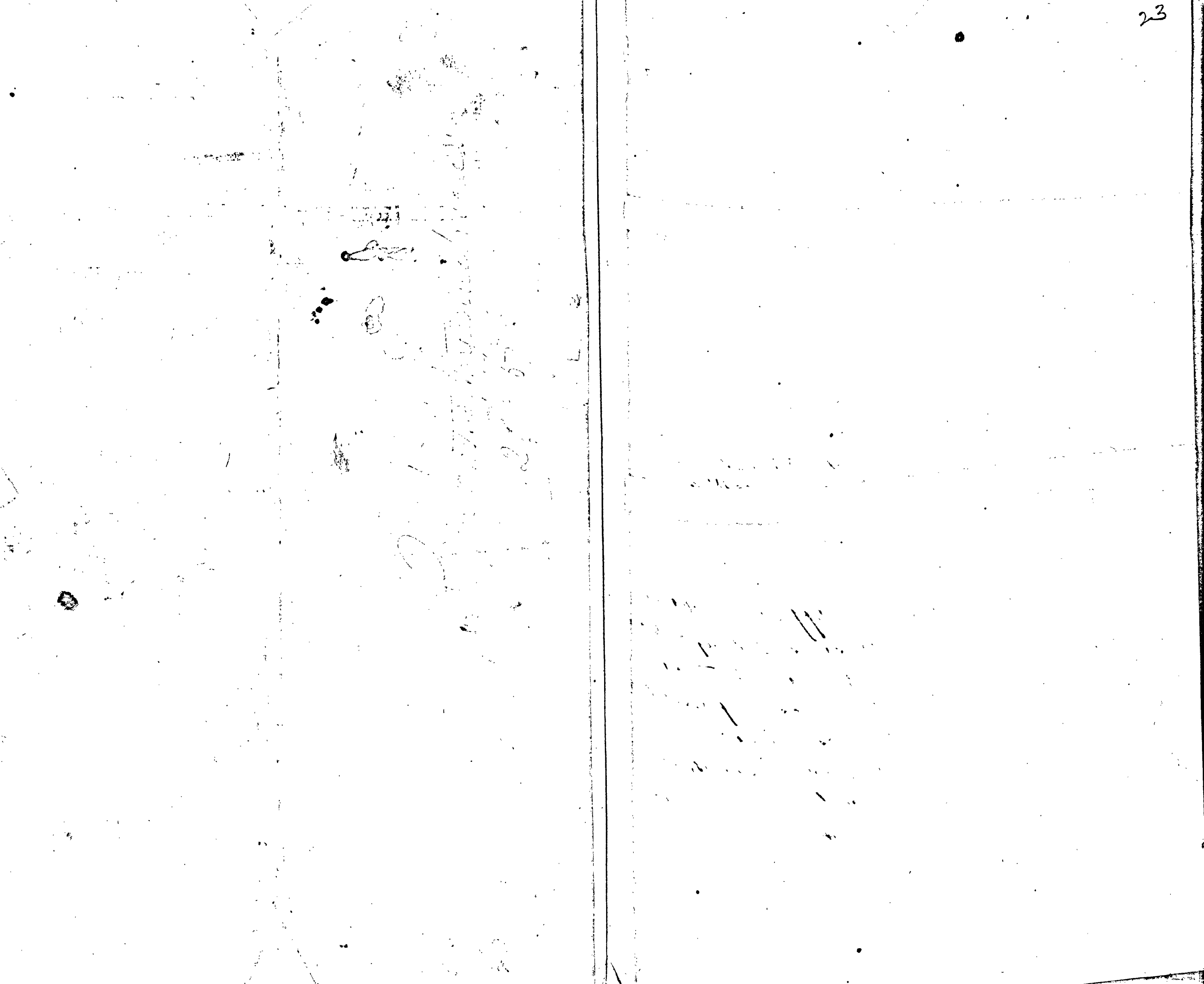
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To The Cons. Eng. M.C.C.
Manager for
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