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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
28th January 1868.*

No. 570. Read the following Circular from the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Establishment,) to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Fort William, 30th December 1867, No. 118 :—

The undersigned has the honor to forward the accompanying copy of an extract, paragraphs 1—5, of a Resolution by the Government of India, in the Public Works Department, No. 1,083 E, dated 20th June 1865, stating the terms on which Royal Engineer Officers of high standing will be employed in the Public Works Department.

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Extract, paragraphs 1 to 5, of a Resolution by the Government of India, in the Public Works Department, No. 1,083 E, dated 20th June 1865.

1. As under the new arrangements, Officers of some standing in the Corps of Royal Engineers may hereafter occasionally arrive in India for service, it appears desirable to consider the conditions on which they should serve, and more especially in connection with service in the Public Works Department.

2. In the first place, it is desirable that some determination should be arrived at regarding their employment in the Public Works Department on first arrival, and until they are qualified by local experience for an independent charge.

3. It appears to the Governor General in Council in this Department that, on an Officer reporting his arrival in India, his case should be considered with reference to what particular Departmental grade or office he is most suited for, having regard to his special qualifications and past service, and to the requirements of the service in India at that period.

4. If it should be deemed desirable to appoint an Officer to a higher class than that of Assistant Engineer, he might be specially posted as a Supernumerary to do duty for six months in the Office of some selected Officer of experience, to give him the means of learning the special business which the service of India requires of him. While thus employed, he might draw the Staff salary of an Executive Engineer of the 4th Class (Rs. 300 monthly).

5. If, at the end of six months, he is reported fully qualified, and has passed the second standard of proficiency in Hindoostanee,* he might be permanently appointed to the first vacancy, in a grade suitable to his rank, which might occur in the fixed Establishment; but if not then so reported on, or if he has not then passed in the language, he might be required to wait till both these conditions are fulfilled, and, under any circumstances, he would remain as a Supernumerary, on the above Staff pay, until a proper vacancy should occur.

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* NOTE.—The Lower Standard of proficiency, or an equivalent examination in the language of the District in which an Officer may be employed, with the addition of tests to show ability to read native accounts and letters, now known as the Departmental Standard, has been substituted for the above. See Public Works Circular, No. 62 of 1867.

No. 571. ORDER THEREON, 28th January 1868, No. 293.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 53.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineers and the Controller of Public Works Accounts.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineers.

„ Controller of Public Works Accounts.

To Captain Kennedy.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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*Accompaniment to Public Works Department Circular No. 118 of 1867,
dated 30th December.*

*Extract, paras. 1 to 5, of a Resolution by the Government of India, in the Public Works
Department, No. 1083 E, dated 20th June 1865.*

As under the new arrangements, Officers of some standing in the Corps of Royal Engineers may hereafter occasionally arrive in India for service, it appears desirable to consider the conditions on which they should serve, and more especially in connection with service in the Public Works Department.

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5. If, at the end of six months, he is reported fully qualified, and has passed the second standard of proficiency in Hindoostanee,* he might be permanently appointed to the first vacancy, in a grade suitable to his rank, which might occur in the fixed Establishment; but if not then so reported on, or if he has not then passed in the language, he might be required to wait till both these conditions are fulfilled, and, under any circumstances, he would remain as a Supernumerary, on the above Staff pay, until a proper vacancy should occur.

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CIRCULAR No. 118 PUBLIC WORKS.
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
ESTABLISHMENT.

To

*The Secy to the Govt of Madras
Public Works Department*

FORT WILLIAM, DECEMBER 30, 1867.

The undersigned has the honour to forward the accompanying copy of an extract, paras. 1—5, of a Resolution by the Government of India, the Public Works Department, No. 1033 E, dated 20th June 1865, stating the terms on which Royal Engineer Officers of high standing will be employed in the Public Works Department.

(Signed) C. H. DICKENS, Colonel, R. A.,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

W. H. Simpson
Asstt. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

PW 1033/60.

*12th 1868 Dept
P.W. Govt. for January*

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
ESTABLISHMENT.

To

CIRCULAR No. 118 PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated December 30, 1867.

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Employment of Royal Engineer Officers of
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