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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
14th November 1868.*

No. 240. Read the following Endorsement of the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, dated Coimbatore, 26th October 1868, No. 144 :—

Read the following letter from K. D. ROBERTS, Esq., Assistant Engineer, Coimbatore Range, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Coimbatore, 23rd October 1868, No. 184 :—

1. I beg most respectfully to bring the following circumstances to the notice of Government.

2. When a vacancy lately occurred in the rank of Assistant Engineer, first grade, a gentleman, whose name* in the Gradation List of Officers of the Department Public Works, (as published in the List of Public Works Officers for this year,) stands the fifth below mine, was appointed to fill the vacancy, thus stepping over the heads of myself and others; this gentleman received his first appointment to the Department seven months *after* the date on which I had entered on mine, and one month after the date of my being confirmed as Assistant Engineer, second grade.

3. When I joined, entering at the bottom of the list, according to the rule, I was not new to the profession, but in addition to some years in England had had three years' experience in India, under the Irrigation Company, and I would respectfully bring to the notice of Government the fact that I was kept on an acting appointment of Rupees 175 per month for six months, though I had entered under the fullest apprehension that I should at once receive Rupees 350 a month, and now that a vacancy occurs am passed over for a younger member of the Department.

4. I have endeavoured in all points to perform faithfully my duty under Government for the last two and a half years, filling a post previously held by an Executive Engineer, and I trust they will favorably consider my case.

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Forwarded through the Superintending Engineer of the 7th Division.

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1. Forwarded for the favorable consideration of Government.

2. Mr. Roberts has indeed most faithfully performed his duty, which his professional knowledge enabled him to take up *at once* in a manner not commonly possible by Assistant Engineers on first appointment. There is, in fact, no doubt but that if Mr. Roberts had gone home instead of accepting what was offered him in India, he might with ease have secured an appointment of 3rd or 4th grade Executive Engineer for special Irrigation Works. He has given great satisfaction to the Collector and Superintending Engineer in all work that he has had to carry out in his Range, comprising four Irrigation Talooks of considerable extent.

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R. E.,
Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.

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ORDER THEREON, 14th November 1868, No. 3,549.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 22.

The Government are glad to receive this favorable report of Mr. K. D. Roberts' qualifications and usefulness, and his claims will not be lost sight of. There were reasons for the promotion of Lieutenant Shepherd which made his case a special one.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Coincidence Range Office,
Coincidence 23 October 1868.

From,

K. D. Roberts Esq.,
Assistant Engineer, S. D. M. Coincidence Range.

To,

Colonel C. R. Orr R. E.,
Secretary to Government, S. D. M.
Madras.

Sir,

I beg most respectfully to bring the following circumstances to the notice of Government. When a vacancy lately occurred in the rank of Assistant Engineer, 2nd Grade, a gentleman, L. Shepherd, whose name in the Gradation List of Officers of S. D. the Department Public Works (as published in the List of Public Works Officers for this year) stands the fifth below mine, was appointed to fill the vacancy, thus stepping over the head of myself and others, this gentleman received his first appointment to the Department 4 months after the date on which I had entered on mine and one month after the date of my being confirmed as Assistant Engineer 2nd Grade.

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Sir,
Your most obedient Servant.

A. Roberts
Asstt Engineer

Forwarded thro' the Superintending Engineer
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Yours faithfully
Superintending

Commissioner
26th Oct 1868

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