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G.O. No. 376	Press
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No. 155. Read the following Endorsement of the Officiating Superintending Engineer, 8th Division, dated Palamcottah, 28th December 1868, No. 2,203 :—

Read the following letter from the Executive Engineer on Special duty, to the Superintending Engineer, 8th Division, dated Camp near ChinnaMoollyar, 21st December 1868, No. 4.

1. With reference to your Memorandum, No. 2,092, of the 14th instant, and G. O., No. 3,843, of the 9th instant, I have the honour to request that you will be so good as to forward to Government the following statement of the grounds on which I venture to solicit a re-consideration of the decision contained in that order.

2. I have every hope that, by the end of this working season, the road from Cumbum to the site of the proposed bund will have been thoroughly surveyed and marked out, and that all the investigations necessary for arriving at a decision as to the mode of constructing the proposed works will have been made.

3. During next season it is not likely that it will be possible to do anything more than complete the road, (which is a work which it will not be very difficult to superintend,) so that it is probable that the dam, and other works connected with the Perryaur project, will not be commenced, at all events, before the season of 1870-71.

4. The execution of these works will occupy several years ; as I have already been eight years in India, and have not been in at all good health for some time, it is highly improbable that I should be able, however much I might wish it, to remain out here for seven or eight years longer.

5. If then the Government intend to do me the honour (for such I shall certainly consider it) of employing me in connection with this project throughout its course, it would seem better that I should go to England during next spring when the more difficult part of the preliminary operations will have been completed, and be able to return to India before the actual commencement of the work itself, than that I should have to quit the work after it was begun, when inconvenience might be caused by a change of Officers.

6. Should the furlough which I have applied for be granted, and should the Government desire my services, in the event of the work being commenced (as is possible) at the close of the south-west monsoon of 1870, I shall certainly be prepared to give up any unexpired portion of my leave, and return to India at once.

7. I trust I shall be excused for writing so long a letter on a personal subject, but I have wished to point out that it is not entirely out of regard for my own convenience that I am anxious that the furlough I have applied for should be granted, but also that if my services in connection with this project, in which I have already come to take a deep personal interest, may be supposed to have any value then it would seem that the course which I propose would be best for the public service.

Submitted to Government.

(Signed). H. L. PRENDERGAST, Captain, R. E.,
Officiating Superintending Engineer, 8th Division.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
5th February 1869.*

No. 156.

ORDER THEREON, 5th February 1869, No. 376.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 26.

1. The Government regret that they are unable to alter the decision conveyed in their Order, No. 3,843, dated 9th December 1868.
2. Lieutenant Pennycuick, describing the probable rate at which the investigations for the Perryaue project will be advanced, has neglected to take into consideration the surveying operations which will be conducted in the plains when the working season on the Hills ends. It is very desirable that the Officers who have been selected for the investigations connected with a scheme on the success of which the Government are deeply interested should remain in the district until they are completed, and the interest which Lieutenant Pennycuick has evinced in the work, renders it all the more desirable that Government should retain his services until the designs for the whole scheme are thoroughly matured.
3. The Government are unwilling to withhold the leave to which an Officer under ordinary circumstances may have reason to think himself entitled, but, as Lieutenant Pennycuick has not submitted a Medical Certificate to support his application, they consider that the exigencies of the service must in this case supersede his personal convenience.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 8th Division.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Govt. of 1869 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,

8th Division.

Dated February, 5th.

Recd

Encl.

G. O., 5th February 1869, No. 376.

FEBRUARY.
Nos. 155-153

Pennycuick, Lieutenant, R. E., Executive Engineer.—The order of Government declining to sanction the furlough applied for by Lieutenant Pennycuick, declined to be altered.

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S. Division

2. I have every hope that by the end of this working season, the road from Aumau to the site of the proposed tunnel will have been thoroughly surveyed and marked out, and that all the investigations necessary for a decision will have been completed.

at a dinner to the Mayor of Cambridge.
The projected work will have been done.

[illegible]

1840/11. The number of the work will
be several years as I have already
been publishing it day and night
but it is all good health for me. I
do hope especially that I shall be
longer employed in it with the same
eagerness for now it is quite a
different matter. The Government
will not permit me to do it
it) as a matter of course it would remain
for a short time in connection with the
work. I haven't got to England since 1840.

of it, and the two different sorts of
your satisfaction and love for, comfort,
and to the freedom of India before the
actual Commencement of the work, though the
rest of it should have to wait the work of
the Commission, who will be in a position to
conduct a large amount of business.

Should the General select Store
afford for the intended and should the
General do so we receive some
of the work being commenced (as is the case)
at the close of the W. Season of 1840,
Small change in the fund for
and a small portion of the same
then to the State of Georgia.

7. I trust, Sir, all the arguments
for retaining Colonel Sanders as a private
subject, but I am resolved to persevere
that it is not only proper, but essential for
our own convenience, that Sanders should
be forthwith leave applied for,
should be granted, but also that if he

connected with the subject,
which I have already been to take a
personal interest in, and sufficient to
any value, then it would seem that in
which I should be best for the
service.

Very truly
yours

Samuel J. May
New York

No 2203

Submitted to Government

Wm. L. Gendy at (Oct 18 18)

Offspring of
28th Dec 1876

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I do not join in project
this order, for which has neglected to take into
I recognize the consideration the Survey-
ing operations which will
be conducted in the plains
when

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work, renders it all
the more desirable
that Government should
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til the designs for the
whole scheme are thor-
oughly matured.

The

Engineer Officer
I am of opinion
that Lt Pennycuik
was treated with
some injustice
on his return from
Abyssinia in not
being allowed to
work at the appb.
as I think he had
previously held
a position in which he
had done good
service.

A. A.

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hold the leave ^{to} which
an Officer under ordi-
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think himself entitled,
but as Lieut Pennycuik
has not submitted a

This is an unusual Medical Certificate
to an invalid to support his application,
to produce a they consider that the
medical certificate experience of the Service
must in this case super-
cede his personal con-
science.

Sept

W. B.

The Deputy Engineer & Dir. ✓ 16

Sept 6/2/69.

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To
The Superintendent, Eng.
8th Division

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G. O. 5th Febr 1862. No. 376

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Pennycuik. Lusk. R. E. Ems. Long

The order of Feb declining to sue.
- then the fairplay applied for
by Frank Perryman, declined
she altered.

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