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Read the following letters :—

No. 195. From the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division, to the Secretary, to Government, Public Works Department, dated Camp at Chintagoonta, Kurnool, 21st January 1869, No. 3,664.

1. I have the honour to inform you that Mr. Supervisor Howell left his Range and the Kurnool District yesterday, without waiting for the leave to be granted or without submitting a report.

2. When at Dhoovoor, on the 19th instant, I learnt that Mr. Howell was sick at Chagulmurry, and so, as I passed his tent yesterday morning, I rode up to inquire how he was; but finding him asleep and difficult to awake, I went on to my tent, intending to see him in the afternoon or evening. After doing my office work I went, at about 5 P. M., to see Mr. Howell, but found that he had gone away some hours before.

3. In the beginning of last month Mr. Howell reported to me that he had had a fall from his horse, and had hurt his left arm; that he had placed himself in the hands of the medical attendant of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company at Iyaloor, but that as he was not well he begged permission to apply for sick leave. I immediately replied, stating that he must know very well that if sick he should go to the medical officer and obtain the necessary certificate. On the 15th December he was at Nurnoor, only ten miles from Kurnool, but instead of going to the medical officer at that station, he waited until Christmas, when he went into Cuddapah, and on the 28th idem received a certificate, which, instead of sending on to me immediately, he kept until his return to Chagulmurry, and despatched it on the 6th instant, whence the delay in reaching me and its submission by me.

4. I was at Cuddapah on the 3rd instant, on which date I find he was there, and did not return to his Range until the 6th idem, so that if there had been any emergency in the case he could easily have applied then and there to me, and submitted an emergent certificate.

5. I left Cuddapah on the morning of the 8th instant, and I learn that Mr. Howell, who had been at Chagulmurry from 6th to 8th, returned to Cuddapah on the morning of the 9th, coming out again on the morning of the 16th in order to meet me, as I had written to say that I would be at Chagulmurry on or about the 19th instant.

6. No report of his movements was ever sent to me, nor did he make any application for casual or emergent leave, and I had nothing to show that Mr. Howell was so unwell as to prevent his carrying on his office work.

7. Ever since Mr. Howell's promotion to Supervisor—how he got his promotion I never could understand, as Colonel Hemery and I had not, in our official reports, reported well on him—I have expressed myself dissatisfied with him, and, in my Diary for September 1867, I reported him to Government. I again reported him in my letter No. 2,270, of 21st September 1868, on which Government passed their Order No. 3,281, of 16th October 1868. In paragraph 2 of my letter I stated that I had been obliged to return a second time the levels, &c., of the Mootialpaud tank, these have been re-transmitted by him without hardly any alterations, and are so slovenly drawn up that the work must be done over again.

8. As I consider that Mr. Howell is utterly unfit for the charge of a Range, and is now going away sick, I beg to propose the following arrangements for the approval of Government, to be carried out as soon as Mr. Assistant Engineer Gray has completed the plans and estimates for the Hindoopoor and Roddum projects:—

Mr. Supervisor G. Vardon, at present in charge of the Hospett Range, Bellary District, to the Nundial Range, Kurnool District.

Until such time as Mr. Vardon is relieved, and can come across to take charge, I propose to put Lieutenant R. F. Taylor, Assistant Engineer, in charge of the Cumbum Range, in charge of the Nundial Range, in addition to his own duties.

No. 196. From the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Camp at Koilgoontla, Kurnool, 23rd January 1869, No. 3,669.

1. I have the honour to report, for the information of Government, that having learnt that Mr. Supervisor Howell had persuaded P. Ramsovauk Ponday, a man just sent as Acting Overseer of the Koilgoontla Talook, to purchase a horse, which only about six weeks ago had fallen with him and caused the injury to his arm, from which he is now suffering, much against the Overseer's wish, thus disobeying the orders of Government by having private money transactions with one of his subordinates, I have ordered the Overseer to return the horse immediately.

2. I have always been informed that Mr. Howell was much given to dealing; but never before having had a case brought clearly to my notice, I never made any mention of it.

3. I trust that Government will accede to my request in a previous letter, and I would beg to propose that Mr. Howell be moved to the Bellary District.

No. 197. ORDER THEREON, 8th February 1869, No. 396.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 32. The Superintending Engineer of the 3rd Division will furnish M. Howell with copies of these reports, and call upon him for such explanations as he may have to offer in his defence.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Supt Engineer's Office 3d Division
Camp Koilgoontla
Serial No. 5 to 6
Kurnool District
21st January 1869

No. 3664

From

The Superintending Engineer
3d Division

To

The Secretary to Government
P. W. D.

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that Mr. Supervisor Howell left his Range and the Kurnool District yesterday, without awaiting for the leave to be granted or otherwise but merely reporting

2. That Mr. Howell was sick at Chaguluvary and as I passed his tent yesterday morning I sent to inquire how he was, but finding him asleep and desired to awake him I went on but intending to see him in the afternoon on returning. After doing my office work I went about 5 P.M. to see Mr. Howell, but found that he had gone away some hours before.

3. In the beginning of last month Mr. Howell reported to me that he had had a fall from his horse and had hurt his left arm, that he had placed himself in the hands of the Medical Attendant of the M. I. Canal Company at Gazalwar but that as he was not well he begged permission to apply for sick leave. I immediately replied

replied that they should be ready to proceed
that night, if possible, the Chowdar & Medical Officer
and obtain the necessary Certificates. On the
Damber he was at Chagalmurry to survey
Culvert C, but the method of going there
Officer & Staff Station he walked round the Ponds
then he went on to Coel Lafe, & ordered the
28th January receive Certificates, which, with
proceeding on Duty immediately after his
his return to Chagalmurry and date the 30th
on that Instant. Dame the delay in reaching
me and the submission by me.

4 Sunday 3rd Cied Lafe on Thursday 2nd Instant,
on which date I find he was there and left
return to his Range with the Steam &
that if there had been any emergency in
the case he could easily have reached Cied
then and there drawn & countersigned any urgent
Certificate.

5. Mesh Cied Lafe on the morning
of the 8th Instant and I learn that A.P. Samuels
who had been at Chagalmurry from the 5th
returned to Cied Lafe on the morning of the
9th, Coming out again on the morning of the
10th in order to measure as I had sent him direc-
that I would be at Chagalmurry on or about
the 19th Instant.

6. No reports of the movements of any
sent to me nor did he ask for any application
for Casual or urgent Leave and I do not think

to believe that Mr. Samuels was connected with
prevent his carrying on his official work.

7. Exercise Mr. Samuels promotion to Superi-
sor— how he got his promotion I never could
understand as Colonel Henry wrote that
not in our official reports, for Samuels
on him— I have expressed myself dissatisfied
with him and in my Diary for September 1867
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so closely drawn up that the work must
be done over again.

8. As I consider that Mr. Samuels is
utterly unfit for the charge of a Range and
is now going away sick I beg to propose the
following arrangements for the approval of
Government, to be carried out as soon as Mr.
Assistant Engineer Gray has completed the Plans
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9. Mr. Supervisor G. Gardon, at present
in charge of the Koopeeth Range, Bellary District

to the Meridional Range, Burma Division.

10. Until such time as Lt. Gordon is relieved and can commence duty to take charge of Sprospois by Lieut. G. Taylor, Assistant Engineer in charge of the Irrawaddy Range, in charge of the Meridional Range in addition to his own duties.

Adjutant &c.

A Wilbraham Major R.E.
Superintending Engineer 3rd Div.

No 1195

Dated 21st
Rec'd 28th } January 1809.
No 396-8-Febry/69
No 3664

Reports Mr Stovell's leaving the Range and the Kurnool District until such leave and his ability to hold the charge of the Range and proposes certain arrangements for the Range Officers

Dated 23rd January 1809.

From

The Superintending Engineer
3rd Division

To

The Secretary to Government
P.W.D.

Sir

I have the honor to report for the information of Government that Mr Stovell having left the Division on Saturday last on account of ill health, I have appointed Mr Dowling, Overseer of the Range, to act as Assistant in charge of the Range during Mr Stovell's absence, and have directed him to keep a regular Diary of his proceedings, and to report to me every day the state of the Works under his charge, and the number of Coolies employed thereon.

2. I have also informed Mr Stovell that he is to make over to Mr Dowling all the Records, Papers, Books, Plans, Estimates, Tools, Instruments, Stores, Cattle, Carts, Tents, Furniture, and other Property belonging to Government in his charge, taking Mr Dowling's receipt for the same, and submitting a list of the articles so delivered over.

3. I have also informed Mr Stovell that he is to report his arrival at Kurnool to the Collector of the District, and to request him to give Mr Dowling charge of the Range, and to make over to him all the Records, Papers, Books, Plans, Estimates, Tools, Instruments, Stores, Cattle, Carts, Tents, Furniture, and other Property belonging to Government in his charge, taking Mr Dowling's receipt for the same, and submitting a list of the articles so delivered over.

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Public Works Department.

No. 396

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 8th February 1869

Read the following

From the Superintending Engr 3rd Division - (No. 366 of 21st Inst)

No. No. No. (Here enter No. 366 dated 23rd Inst)

The Superintending Engineer of the 3rd Division will furnish Mr Kowell with Copies of Plan upon hand call upon him for such explanations as he may have to offer in his defence.

To Superintending Engr 3rd Div

Mdu 9/2/69.

Chief Engr R.B.

Superintending Engr 3rd Div

No 396

Chief Engr R.B.

Superintending Engr 3rd Div

No. 366 of 1869

Dated 23rd February 1869

Received 25th February 1869

Copy forwarded for information and necessary action.

Chief Engr R.B.

Superintending Engr 3rd Div

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To The Superintending Engr.
3rd Division

Dated

Recd Jan.

G. O. 8th Febry 1869, No. 396

Nos. 195 & 197

Howell. Mr. Superviser The Supdg Engr of the 3d Div. requested to furnish Mr. Supervisor Howell with copies of the reports on his misconduct & unfitness for the charge of a Range, and to call upon him for such explanations as he may have to offer