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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 5th January 1870.

No. 76. Read the following letter from the Officer in charge of No 1 Range, Godavery District, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Camp at Dowlaishweium, 20th December 1869 :—

I AM very sorry to be obliged, owing to Major Fischer declining to refer the matter to Government for decision, again to have to write you direct, but I am quite sure it is not the intention of Government that officers of the department should be dealt with in the peremptory manner shown by enclosed copies of correspondence, and regarding which I have the honour to request a decision.

2. As far as I am aware I have done my duty, and do not understand why I am to be fined, as I have been, by the Superintending Engineer.

3. This circumstance is one of those I alluded to in my letter dated October 20th, 1869, and the facts are that, for some reason I am unacquainted with, the Superintending Engineer has thought proper to treat me in the same manner he would an Overseer, although I am the senior Officer of the Godavery District, and no other Range officer in the district is treated in the same manner, in fact it has almost become impossible to me to work my range or do my duty to Government.

4. I extremely regret that in G. O , No. 3,567, dated 6th ultimo, Government should have decided that the inquiry I asked for was unnecessary, as, in my opinion, unless the inquiry is made, the district will soon come to a dead lock.

No. 77. ORDER THEREON, 5th January 1870, No. 40.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 6

As Mr. Sage appears to have made the journey of 48 miles on the 24th of October last for which he claims mileage allowance in good faith, and as necessary for the advantageous performance of the duties of his executive charge, the Government are of opinion that he is entitled to the usual allowance, and accordingly authorize the Controller to pass the amount.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 1st Division.
" Controller of Public Works Accounts, with Bill.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

(Office of the Controller
of D. N. Accounts
Madras 16th November 1869

(No. 425

From

The Controller of
D. N. Accounts

To

The Asst Superintendent
1st Division

Sir

Having observed that you have disallowed the Mileage Charge of Mr Page for the 24th of October 1869, viz Rs 24, for a journey of 48 miles made on that day, I have the honor to request that you will be good as to take into your consideration whether Mr Page is not entitled to the ordinary rate of Travelling Allowance for that day, if you consider that there is Supplemental Travelling Allowance Bill may be submitted for the Audit by this Office.

I have &c

(Sd) J. Brock
Controller of D. N Accounts

(True Copy)
(Sd) B Lacey
Dy Controller of D N Accounts

To
Mr Page
Asst Engr 1st Class

No 411 - From
The Offg Executive Engineer
Roads, E. D. Trunk Road

To
The Superintending Engineer
1st Division

Sir

(Dom Cais huaran)
Executive Engr Office
3d December 1869

No. 435

To
The Officer incharge
Boat Sec. D. Range
Godavery District

&
The Superintending Engineer
1st Division
Dom Cais huaran

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your Docket No. 3154 dated 30th Ultimo (just received) and as I cannot admit having done any thing to cause you to act in the peremptory manner you have done I have the honor to forward as Supplemental Bill for the Mileage in question together with a resume of the whole business on the application of the papers may be sent up to Government for their decision.

In 13th October 69 Memo No. 2538 you directed the transfer at once of Delta Superintendent C. Bloomah to No 2 Range

In No 2577 dated 16th October you enquired of me whether Bloomah had been relieved of his duties.

In No 314 dated 19th October 69 you informed me you had not been relieved of his evidence being required before the Magistrate & his Successor not having arrived to relieve him.

In your No. 2670 dated 21st October 69 you asked for name of the Magistrate & directed that Bloomah was not to go for his Successor

In my letter dated 23d October 69 replied giving particulars asked for & forwarding Copy of instructions to Delta Superintendent dated 20th Oct.

(Dom Cais huaran)
Executive Engr Office
2d December 69

(Sir)

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(Sd) Shall have power to send man away so long as he was before a Magistrate.

The next thing I request is a copy of your Memo to Mr Turner directing him to relieve Bheemiah & make over Charges to any available Delta Superintendent - time I request a copy of application from Mr Turner, stating whether man signed for was present at time it would have been as long as I can reply to reach Mr Turner, so to get there myself, and as I had other work to do en route - I decided to go at once & if you will look at my Inspection Report you will see that on 24th I sent instrument to Casamarah to settle about road Contracts from thence via Mundapetta Canal to Nellah the object in going down Mundapetta Canal being that the Delta Superintendent of that Canal was absent before the Magistrate, and I had to see that all was going on right. Mr Turner & Bheemiah arrived during night of 24th at Nellah & having then found that Mr Turner had done nothing towards relieving the man and owing to my previous arrangement to have being very little, I did, I took charge from the man myself and as Mr Turner had plenty to do directed him to go back to his Sub Division you will thus observe that my duties on 24th had nothing to do with relieving Bheemiah that having been done on 25th last for, the Mundapetta Canal Supt. being absent I should have gone on 24th from Casamarah to Alamoor direct. If you will

thus observe that I did not prevent Mr Turner relieving Bheemiah as up to time we met early on morning of 25th he had done nothing whatever in the matter.

I have &c.

(Sd) G. Stage

Executive Engineer

Sup'dg Cuddr. Office P.W.

Domalcheruvoo

6th December 1869

No. 3226

Memorandum

In returning the accompaniment of his letter No. 435 dated the 3d Instant, the undersigned has the honor to state, he must decline signing any such Certificate as that appended to it, and it is therefore, of no use sending up the papers to Government.

(Sd) J. V. Fischer Major R.E.

Ag Sup'dg Engineer R.D.

To

The Officer in charge of

(No. 1 Range) Godavery

True Copies

G. Stage

Executive Engineer

Godavery District

Camp Bois Lais Louisiana
Dec.r 20th 1869.

Sirs,

The Officer in charge
Col Range G.H.

To,

The Secretary to Govt.
Dep.t Pub. Works
Port Hudson.

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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedt Servant
[illegible]
Asst. Engr.

is entitled to the
usual allowance,
and accordingly
authorize the Controller
to pass the amount

The 1 Engr 1st and
Controller Senate bill
has been laid before
P. C.

Cue 5399

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PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Superintending Engineer
1st " Division

Dated

Recd. Pic

G. O. 5th January 1870 No 40

Nos. 10 - 11

Sage - Actg. Exe Engr Permission
granted for paying to Mr Engineer
extra for delivery &c / the usual travelly
allowance for the journey made
by him on the 24th October 1869 -

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