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No. 150. Read the following letter from Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Coonoor, 26th January 1870, No. 173 :—

In continuation of former letters on the subject of reduction of establishments, and with reference to funds available for expenditure in the current and ensuing official years, I have the honour to report that the services of the under-mentioned officer and subordinate are available for transfer elsewhere, viz.

2. Mr. J. W. Martin, 3rd Grade Assistant Engineer, doing duty in Neilgherry Range, and Supervisor J. Potter in executive charge of the Coondapoor Range in South Canara.

3. I should have earlier reported the services of Mr. Martin as available for transfer, had I not understood from Major Mullins that he would arrange for their being placed at the disposal of Captain C. J. Smith, R.E., and such arrangement would have been more convenient than that of Captain Law recently ordered, the latter officer having quite enough to employ him for the next two months in the ordinary and extraordinary repairs of the new Coonoor Ghaut, and in laying out several local roads in the neighbourhood of Coonoor. As matters now stand, however, his services have been placed at Captain Smith's disposal from the 2nd proximo, that date being fixed with reference to the mustering of the Sappers employed on the new Coonoor Ghaut and settlement of their accounts, for which it will be rather difficult to arrange in future in the absence of any Commissioned Officer at Coonoor.

4. As there will be nothing but road repairs in progress in the Coondapoor Range next year, I can arrange for their being carried out by one of the Talook Overseers of South Canara. Mr. Potter has been found very useful and systematic in the management of large works, such as the new Central Jail at Cannanore, and I would recommend him for similar employment in future, rather than for a Range charge. What little there was to do in Coondapoor Range this season has not been done by him to my satisfaction; both road repairs and construction of Civil Buildings having progressed very badly from inadequate supplies of labour and materials, for arranging about which Mr. Potter does not seem to have exerted himself with any energy.

No. 151. ORDER THEREON, 9th February 1870, No. 453.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 14.

As the Superintending Engineer of the 7th Division reports that the services of Mr. Assistant Engineer Martin can be spared for employment elsewhere, the Government direct that Mr. Martin be instructed to place himself under the orders of Captain C. J. Smith to assist that officer in carrying out the investigations with which he has been entrusted.

2. Colonel Walker should make such arrangements as he may deem expedient for utilizing the services of Mr. Supervisor Potter to the best advantage till an opportunity for employing him elsewhere occurs.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.
" Controller of Public Works Accounts.
" Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

Exd. J. Wright.

Superintending Engineer Office
Coonoor 26th January 1870

No. 173

From Colonel G Wallaker RE
Superintending Engineer

To Colonel C. A. Orr RE
Secretary to Government P. W. D.

Sir,

In continuation of former letters on the subject of reduction of Establishments and with reference to funds available for expenditure in the current and ensuing official years, I have the honor to report that the services of the undermentioned Officer and Subordinate are available for transfer elsewhere viz:

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2 I should have earlier reported the services of Mr Martin as available for transfer, had I not understood from Major Mullins that he would arrange for their being placed at the disposal of Captain C. J. Smith RE. And such arrangement would have been more convenient than that of Captain Law recently ordered; the latter officer having quite enough to employ him

for the next two months in the ordinary and extraordinary repairs of the New Coonoor Church and in laying out several local Roads in the neighbourhood of Coonoor. As matters now stand however his services have been placed at Captain Smith's disposal from the 2d. proximo, that date being fixed with reference to the mustering of the Sappers employed on the New Coonoor Church and settlement of their Accounts; for which it will be rather difficult to arrange in future in the absence of any Commissioned officer at Coonoor.

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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obt Servant

Colonel &c
Superintending Engineer 7th Divn

P. W. Department.

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Colonel

To the Secretary to Govt P. W. Department Madras

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