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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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<i>109-11-12</i>	
Dated <i>13-4-</i>	<i>1871</i>

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
12th April 1871.*

Read the following papers :—

No. 107. Proceedings of the Government of India in the Public Works Department, (Account—Railway,) dated Fort William, 2nd March 1871, No. 123-A.R :—

Pay of the Examiner of Railway Accounts, Madras.

Read again :—

Government of India, Public Works Department letter No. 593-E., dated 13th April 1867, to the Government of Madras.

Government of India, Public Works Department Resolution Nos. 37—8 A—R, dated 23rd January 1868.

Public Works Department letter No. 198 A—R, dated 29th April 1870, to the Government of Madras, Madras Budget Estimate for 1871-72.

OBSERVATIONS.—In Public Works Department letter No. 593-E., of the 13th April 1867, the Government of India declined to allow the Madras Government to appoint an Examiner of Railway Accounts on a salary of Rupees 800 a month, and stated that the pay of the post should not exceed Rupees 600, rising to Rupees 700 a month. On this, without further

	RS.	
* Military pay	374	reference, the Madras Government ap-
Staff salary	400	pointed a Captain of the Staff Corps to
House-rent	75	the post on Rupees 849* per mensem,
	849	or Rupees 49 in excess of the amount

before refused by the Government of India. This salary was, without reference to the Government of India, increased to Rupees 949 after the incumbent had held the appointment for two years.

2. The attention of the Government of Madras was drawn to the irregularity of this proceeding in a letter† of the 23rd January 1868, but the remarks of the Government of India have been entirely ignored by the Local Government.

3. Subsequently, in commenting on a Report on the Madras Railway Accounts submitted by the Assistant Accountant-General, Public Works Department, it was explained‡ to the Government of Madras that the Examiner of Railway Accounts should at no time be allowed to draw more than the maximum pay laid down for an Executive Engineer, 2nd grade, at that time Rupees 900 a month.

4. In the Budget of the coming year, however, the following amount is, notwithstanding the very clear instructions referred to above, entered as the pay of the Examiner :—

	RS.	A.	P.
Staff pay	325	0	0
Staff Corps pay	640	14	6
House-rent	100	0	0
Total ...	1,065	14	6

5. The Governor-General in Council is pleased, under the above circumstances, to direct that no emoluments in excess of the sum mentioned in Public Works Department letter of 29th April last shall be henceforth disbursed to the

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Examiner of Railway Accounts of Madras, and that distinct orders to the above effect shall be given to the Controller of Public Works Accounts at Madras. Further, that the Madras Government shall be invited to reconsider the question of the salary proper for the Examiner of Railway Accounts at that Presidency, with a view of a decision being come to, whether there is any reason why the appointment should not be placed on the same footing as the like posts in other places. In the opinion of the Governor-General in Council, the appointments should be held by an Officer of the grade of Deputy Controller, or 5th or 4th class Controller.

6. His Excellency in Council regrets to find that such serious departures from financial rule have been permitted as the disbursing of this salary in excess of the authorized amount, and can only suppose that they have arisen from the Public Works Controller at Madras, who is the Auditing Officer, not having been duly informed of the orders of the Government of India relating to the salary of the office in question. It is hoped that any want of attention in this respect may be avoided in future.

ORDER.—Ordered, that the foregoing observations be communicated to the Government of Madras, for information and guidance, and to the Accountant-General, Public Works Department, for information.

(Signed) R. STRACHEY,
Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 108. From the Controller of Public Works Accounts, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 24th March 1871, No. 2,929.

In the telegram from the Secretary to the Government of India in the Public Works Department, recorded in Proceedings No. 545, of the 24th ultimo, Rupees 900 were fixed as the "maximum pay and allowances" of the Examiner of Railway Accounts, and orders were issued that no more should be admitted for "pay for February."

2. Acting under these orders, this office passed to Major Hankin, the Acting Government Examiner, Rupees 900 as pay and allowances for February, and Rupees 100 the Presidency house-rent of his rank.

3. The limit of Rupees 900 on pay and allowances was fixed with reference to the "maximum pay" laid down for an Executive Engineer of the 2nd grade, and this will be seen from paragraph 3 of the Resolution of the Government of India No. 123-4A.R., of the 2nd instant. Seeing that Executive Engineers, when employed at Madras, and drawing the maximum salaries of their grades, are entitled also to Presidency house-rent, this office passed the latter to Major Hankin for the month of February, at the rate above mentioned. No doubt whatever was entertained as to the correctness of the course followed until the receipt of the Resolution of the Government of India already quoted, accompanied with the following Endorsement by the Accountant-General of the Public Works Department:—

"Copy forwarded to the Controller of Public Works Accounts, Madras, for information and guidance, with the intimation that nothing beyond Rupees 900 is to be passed at present to the Examiner of Railway Accounts, Madras."

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4. The expression "nothing beyond Rupees 900," induced me to enquire, by telegram, whether Major Hankin was not to be allowed Presidency house-rent. The Accountant-General, in reply, states that "nothing should be passed in excess of Rupees 900 under present orders."

5. Under these circumstances, I request the orders of Government as to whether the house-rent passed to Major Hankin for February 1871 should now be recovered.

No. 109. Endorsement of the Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 27th March 1871, No. 129.

From the Acting Examiner of Railway Accounts, to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 27th March 1871.

I HAVE the honour to request that you will bring the following to the notice of Government.

2. Although under rules in force when I was appointed to act as Examiner of Railway Accounts I was entitled to draw Rupees 325 staff salary in addition to my Military pay and house-rent of rank, it was recently decided by the Government of India that my pay is not to be drawn in excess of Rupees 900; this is the maximum salary attached to the office of Controller, 2nd class, 4th grade, to which position (officiating) I was gazetted, *vide* page 188 of the *Gazette of India*, dated 18th March 1871. I learn, however, from the Controller of Public Works Accounts that, under instructions by telegram from Calcutta, he is precluded passing Presidency house-rent to me.

3. G. O., No. 2,526, of 10th August 1866, republishes No. 804E. of the Government of India, which sanctions house-rent according to rank being passed to all officers at the Presidency. I drew house-rent when employed in the Executive branch of the Department, and have continued to do so till now in my present office. Paragraph 15, page 6 of the new Public Works Code, clearly states that all Military Commissioned Officers of the Public Works Department, stationed at the Presidency, are entitled to draw house-rent, and the correctness of the amount having been passed was fully recognized by Government under date the 2nd November last, G. O., No. 2,626.

4. Under these circumstances it is respectfully submitted that no exception should be made in my case, but that house-rent should be passed to me in the same way as to all other officers at the Presidency.

SUBMITTED for the favourable consideration of Government.

(Signed) C. J. SMITH, Captain, R.E.,
Dy. Consulting Engineer for Railways.

No. 110. ORDER THEREON, 12th April 1871, No. 1,019.

RAILWAY, No. 12.

THE Government of India will be addressed on the subject of these papers, and pending their orders His

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Excellency the Governor in Council will not insist on any retrenchment of the amount of house-rent passed to Major Hankin for February last.

(Here enter No. 1,020, dated 12th April 1871.)

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Controller of Public Works Accounts.

„ Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE, 12th April 1871.

No. 111.

No. 1,020.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

RAILWAY, No. 13.

SIR,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of the Resolution of the Government of India under date the 2nd March 1871, No. 123-R., regarding the future emoluments of the Examiner of Railway Accounts in this Presidency, and, in intimating that the necessary instructions for giving effect to the orders of that Government have been issued, I am to submit the accompanying letter from Major Hankin in which he complains of the hardship of being deprived of the Presidency house-rent of Rupees 100, which, under the operation of the orders of the Government of India, dated 16th July 1866, No. 1,007-E., has hitherto been passed to him, but which, under recent instructions from the Accountant-General of the Public Works Department, the Controller of Public Works Accounts now disallows.

2. I am to invite the attention of the Government of India to the fact that the orders in which they pointed out that, although no maximum salary was assigned to the post of Government Examiner it was fully intended that the officer holding that appointment should not draw more than the maximum pay of Rupees 900 laid down for an Executive Engineer of the 2nd grade, were issued on the 29th April 1870, or three months after Major Hankin was appointed to officiate as Examiner. Seeing that the recent Notification of the Government of India fixing a scale of consolidated salaries expressly provides against officers suffering any loss of the substantive pay drawn by them prior to the issue of that Notification, and, as Executive Engineers when employed at Madras are entitled to Presidency house-rent, His Excellency the Governor in Council trusts that the Government of India will, on reconsideration, see the justice of Major Hankin's claim to draw house-rent in addition to his reduced emoluments of Rupees 900, and authorize it to be accordingly passed to him.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

N^o 2929 Spec of the Controller of
Public Works Accounts.
Madras, 24th March 1871.

From
The Controller of Public Works Accounts.
Madras.

To
The Secretary to Government.
Public Works Department.
South George.

Sir,

In the telegram from
the Secretary to the Government
of India in the Public Works
Department, recorded and placed
-in- N^o 345, of the 24th inst.,
the passages were fixed on the
"maximum pay and
allowances" of the Commis-
sionary Accounts, and
it was decided that no
more should be admitted
for pay for February.
2. Acting under these

order, this Office passed to Major Hankin, the Acting Government Engineer, Rs. 900 as Pay and Allowance for February, and Rs. 100 the President, General, rank of his rank.

3. The limit of Rs. 900 as pay and allowance was fixed with reference to the "maximum pay" laid down for an Executive Engineer of the 2nd grade, and this will be seen from Clause of the Resolution of the Government of India. H. 1234, A. 1, of the 2nd rank. Being that Executive Engineers, when employed at Machras, must draw the maximum salaries of their grades, are entitled also to Presidency

house rent, this Office passed the latter to Major Hankin for the month of February, at the rate above mentioned. As to whatever was entertained as to the correctness of the course followed until the receipt of the Resolution of the Government of India already quoted, accompanied with the following endorsement by the Accountant General of the Public Works Department. "Copy forwarded to the Controller of Public Works" "Accounts, Machras, for information and guidance, with the intimation that nothing beyond Rs. 900 is to be passed at present"

"to the Examiner of Railways
Accounts, Madras."

4. The expression "nothing
beyond Rupees 9000" should
be to enquire, by telegram,
whether Major Hamilton
was ^{not} ~~not~~ to be allowed
Presidency house rent.
The Accountant General
in reply, states that
"nothing should be passed
in excess of Rupees 9000
under present orders."

5. Under these
circumstances, I request
the orders of Government
as to whether the house
rent passed to Major
Hamilton for February
1871, should now be

recovered.

Shaw & Co. Ltd.,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant.

S. Hoof

Secretary of Public Works Accounts.

Robert L.

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The Consulting Engineer for Railways

Sir,
I have the honor to request that
you will bring the following to the
notice of Government.
2 - Although under rules in force
when I was appointed to act as
Comptroller of Railway Accounts I
was entitled to draw Rs 325 Staff
Salary in addition to my Military
pay and house rent of Rs 100, it
was recently decided by the Government
of India that my pay is not to be
drawn in excess of Rs 900 - this is
the maximum salary attached
to the office of Comptroller D. P. Class
4th Grade to which position (officiating)
I was gazetted, vide page 188 of the
Gazette of India, dated 18th March 1871.
I learn however from the Comptroller
Public Works Accounts that under
instructions by telegram from
Calcutta he is precluded from
paying house rent to me.

3 - G.O. No. 2536 of 10th August
1866, republished No. 8042 of the
Government of India which sanctions



Received of the
Comptroller of Railway Accounts
the sum of Rs 1355.
for the month of March 1871.
The Comptroller of Railway Accounts
for the month of March 1871.

Received of the
Comptroller of Railway Accounts
the sum of Rs 2929.
for the month of March 1871.

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to Mr. M. S.

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have sent according to rank being
passed to all officers at the Presidency.
I draw House Rent when employed
in the Engineering Branch of the
Department and have continued
to do so till now in my present
office. Para 15, page 6 of the new
Public Works Code clearly states
that all military commissioned
officers of the Public Works Depart-
ment stationed at the Presidency
are entitled to draw House Rent,
and the correctness of the amount
having been passed was fully recog-
nised by Government under date
the 2^d December last. G.O. No. 2626.

Under these circumstances
it is respectfully submitted that
no exception should be made in
my case, but that house rent
be passed to me in the same way
as to all other officers at the Presidency.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

T. H. A. S. Srinivas
Acting Engineer in Charge.

Madras
24 March
1891.

Recd 27/3/91

Public Works Dept.

No. 129-

Submitted for the approval of Government, for or able
consideration of Government.

C. Smith

Capt. R. E.

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,
Madras, 27th March 1891.

By Consgr. Engr. for Railways.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Fort Saint George.

Desd 13/4/91

Rs 10 August 1866 at 220-221
" 10 Dec 1870 - 55 51.

RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

1871
From The Consulting Engineer
for Railways,

To
The Secretary to Government,
P. W. Department,
Fort St. George.

Dated 27th March 1871.
Received 28th

Exe. 1. 1.
No. 129.

Submitting for
the favorable considera-
tion of Govt., a letter
from the Examiner
of Railway Accounts
on the subject of House
Rent - 13th April 1871

Ob 109
6.3.71 March 1871

Public Works Department

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Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 13th April 1871

Read the following

From The Government of India / H.E. No. 123 A. R. of 2nd March 1871
From The Controller of P.W. Accounts / " " 2929. of 24th " " "
From The Consulting Engineer for Railways / " " 129 of 27th " " "

The Government of
India will be addressed
on the subject of these
papers, and pending their
orders His Excellency the
Governor in Council
will not insist on any
retrenchment of the amount
of House rent passed to
Major Bantien for February
last.

The Controller P. W. Accounts
" Cons'g Engr for Railways
Desps 13/4/71

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The Secy. to the Government
of India P. W. D.
Sir,

I am directed to
acknowledge the receipt
of the Resolution of the
Govt. of India under
date the 3rd March 1871,
No. 123 R, regarding the
future engagements of the
Examiner of Railway
Accounts in this Presidency
and, in intimating that
the necessary instructions
for giving effect to the
orders of that Government
have been issued, I am
to submit the accompanying
letter

letter from Major Stanton
in which he complains of
the hardship of being de-
prived of the Presidency
house rent of \$100, which,
under the operation of the
orders of the Gov^t of India
dated 16th July 1866, he, \$100⁰⁰ P.,
has hitherto been granted
to him, but which, under
recent instructions from the
Accountant General of the
Public Works Departt.,
the Controller of Public
Works Accounts now disallows.

I am to invite the
attention of the Govt of
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assigned to the post of

Government Examiner it was fully intended that the officer holding that appointment should not draw more than the maximum pay of Payee laid down for an Executive Engineer of the 3rd grade, were issued on the 27th April 1870 or three months after Major Hamilton was appointed to officiate as Examiner. Seeing that the recent Notification of the Govt. of India fixing a scale of consolidated salaries expressly provides against officers suffering any loss of the substantive pay drawn by them prior to the issue of that Notification, and

and no Executive Engineers
when employed at Madras
are entitled to Presidency
house rent, His Excellency
the Governor in Council
trusting that the Govt of India
will, on reconsideration,
see the justice of Major
Hankin's claim to draw
house rent in addition
to his reduced emoluments
of Rs 700, and authorize
it to be accordingly paid
to him.

W. B.

Recd 16/4/71 with copy
of letter from the A. S. Esq.
of Rs Accounts.

Dec 10 August 1866 N^o 220-221
" 25 March /67 --- 628-630
" 3rd May --- 99-100
" 27 Feb /68 --- 626-627
" 7 June /70 --- 99-100
" 2nd Nov --- 50-51
" 24 Feb /71 --- 499-500

Of house rent under the or-
ders of the Govt of India &
requesting that under the cir-
cumstances Major Hankin
may be permitted to draw
the same.

and as Executive Engineer

1/12/75 1355-391

Govt of India Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

The Controlling Public
Works Accounts.

And
To the Secretary to the
Govt of India

12th April 1875

Encl

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House Rent Paying orders
on papers on the subject of
the House Rent & the paper
to the Examiners of Public
Works Accounts.

Letter

Forwarding a letter
from the Examiners of Public
Works complaining of the
hardship of being deprived