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No. 260. Read the following letter from the Special Executive Engineer, Wynaad, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Wynaad, Vythery, 2nd June 1871, No. 286:—

WITH reference to the subject of the accompanying letter* from the Supervisor in charge of the Goodalore Range, I do

* No. 430, dated 29th May 1871. not think I can do better than have it to speak for itself, merely adding that both Major Raynsford and Captain Conningham, Mr. Potter's predecessors in the Goodalore Range, spoke very highly of the Acting Accountant; and seeing the extreme difficulty there is in getting competent men to remain in Wynaad, I consider that it would be as much in the interests of the public service as of the individual himself that the request should be favourably considered, and that the indulgence should be granted so far as to confine the exemption to such time as Mr. D'Costa serves in Wynaad, but not to allow it to be taken advantage of for employment elsewhere.

2. For the same reason, that is the extreme difficulty of obtaining competent passed men, I would beg that the same permission under similar restrictions may be granted in other cases.

From Mr. F. POTTER, Supervisor in charge of South Wynaad Range, to the Special Executive Engineer, Wynaad, dated Goodalore, 29th May 1871, No. 430.

I AM sorry I have to inform you that Mr. D'Costa, Head Accountant, failed to pass the last General Test for the Uncovenanted Service, and has consequently now rendered himself liable to G. O., No. 1,459, dated 14th June 1870; but, in real fairness to him, I must lay his case before you for favourable consideration.

2. Last year the only subject the Accountant failed in was Geography, and this spoke very well for him, considering that he had not only to perform his daily work but to keep up his studies at the same time, unaided in them in a place like this.

3. This year it is not known yet what subjects he had broken down in; but I was certain that he would fail, and not even pass so good an examination this time as in the last, simply because the man's time, from morning to night, had been engaged in his office work, with nobody to assist him in the least, and that work he has performed right well, in regard to accuracy and punctuality.

4. As a Head Accountant, Mr. D'Costa is as good as any I have seen, and the Controller himself has a high opinion of him this way. His general intelligence is also very good in deed; all orders upon the subject of accounts, returns, etc., received from time to time, he thoroughly comprehends, and faithfully carries them out. In a word, he is an exceedingly good office man, both as a writer and an Accountant.

5. It will, therefore, be seen that his failure is not attributable to natural dulness, but to the want of time and instruction, which, had he in the same manner as the Assistant Accountant, he certainly would now be a passed man also.

6. What I would now beg of you is, not that any further grace should be given him, for the benefit of that is most uncertain in a place of sickness like this where it cannot be calculated upon, but to have him exempted altogether from passing the test, as a special case. The result is at all times seen of having good and capable office servants, men who possess a thorough knowledge of the records and of current business. Here Mr. D'Costa is of much greater value, and what is more he is an acclimatized man.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
16th June 1871.

No. 261.

ORDER THEREON, 16th June 1871, No. 1,616.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 33.

Looking to the difficulty experienced in securing the services of passed candidates in Wynaad, and to the testimony borne to Mr. D'Costa's efficiency as an Accountant, His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to exempt him from the operation of the Unconvenanted Service Examination Rules during the period of his employment in Wynaad.

2. The Government are not prepared to grant the general permission sought in paragraph 2 of Major Kennedy's letter. Each case as it arises should be judged of on its own merits.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. CARPENDALE, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To Major R. B. Kennedy.
To the Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Ed. E. C. Shunk.

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N^o 430. From The Officer in charge,
South Wynaad Range.

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Major R. B. Kennedy,
Special Executive Engineer
Wynaad.

Sir,
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I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most Obedt. Servant.

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In charge S. Mynard R. C. W.

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Public Works Department

Special Executive Engineer
Office, Wapnam, Vythery
2nd June 1891.

From, The Special Executive Engineer
H. W. H. H.

To,
The Secretary to Government
Department Public Works
Madras.

Sir,

With reference to the subject of the accompanying letter from the Supervisor in charge of the Goodalo Range, I do not think I can do better than leave it to speak for itself; merely adding that both Major Raynsford, and Captain Cunningham, Mr. Potter's predecessors in the Goodalo Range, spoke very highly of the Acting Accountant; and seeing the extreme difficulty there is in getting competent men to remain in Wynnae I consider that it would be as much in the interests of the Public Service, as of the Individual himself, that the request should be favourably considered; and that the indulgence should be granted so far as to continue the exemption so long time as Mr. O'Hosta serves in Wynnae, but not to allow it to be taken advantage of for employment

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Your most obedient servant

W. H. Keene, Major
Special Coy. Engineer
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To, The Secretary to Government. D. P. W.

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Dated 12 June 1871.

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Submit an original letter from the officer in charge South East Mysnad. Rang and request favorable consideration the case of the Acting Accountant of that Rang, and same privilege be granted in other cases under the extreme difficulty in obtaining competent men to remain in Mysnad.

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