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No. 381. Read the following letter from the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Masulipatam, 7th June 1871, No 26 —

In reply to memorandum No 174, May 30th, I have the honour to report that P. Ramanarrain Ponday was promoted to Talook Overseer on his passing the Madras standard of examination in room of P. Balasundarum Moodelhar, who resigned.

2. I am not clear whether the Bengal standard is considered by Government sufficient to entitle a passed candidate to hold office as Talook Overseer, but I find that G. S. Kistnasamy Iyer, who was appointed on Captain Edgcome's nomination, has only passed that standard. I had already discovered that this was the case with Mr. Kelly, and therefore only entered his name as acting till he passed the Madras standard, which I have called on him to do.

3. Mr. Carlier's appointment is temporary. He is working well on the survey and has been in the department for some years, and has proposed to submit himself for examination in September.

4. Two other Range Draughtsmen, with considerable practical knowledge, will, I hope, also be examined at the same time. I have already, during the last two years, appointed eight quite new men from the college, and hope that the Government will not object to my giving old servants this opportunity of promotion.

No. 382. ORDER THEREON, 21st June 1871, No. 1,674.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 48.

THE Government observe that when the services of candidates who have qualified as Overseers for the Madras Department Public Works are reported not to be available, the appointment of men who have passed the Bengal test has been permitted provisionally on their qualifying for the former test within a definite period. Kistnasawmy Iyer should be informed that the retention of his appointment will be conditional on his passing the requisite test within twelve months. The appointment of Messrs Kelly and Carlier cannot be sanctioned; and Colonel Moberly should place himself in communication with the Principal of the Civil Engineering College with a view to the nomination in their stead of two of the candidates who have qualified for the Madras Department Public Works at the last examination, (see *Gazette* of 13th June 1871.)

2. His Excellency the Governor in Council is quite prepared to show every consideration to men who having previously obtained a practical knowledge of the duties of an Overseer, pass the prescribed test; but he cannot sanction appointments being kept open indefinitely to afford such men an opportunity of qualifying to the prejudice of others who have been declared duly qualified.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government

To the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division
.. Principal of the Civil Engineering College.
.. Controller of Public Works Accounts
Exd S. T. Augustin

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Superintending Engineer's
Office 2nd Division
Madras
7th June 1871

From

Colonel J. H. Moberly R.E.
Superintending Engineer 2nd Division

To,

Colonel Harpendale R.E.
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Your most obedt Servt
A. H. C. Colwell
Supg Engineer & Co

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To The Secretary to Govt
P.W. Madras

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From Superintendent Engineers 22nd Dec 1870 / No. S. V. 26 dated 7 June 1871

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To.
The Sup^r Engrs 2^d Secy!
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To the Superintendent, Eng?

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