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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
4th July 1871.*

No. 43. Read the following letter from the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Bezwarah, 13th June 1871, No. 28. —

I HAVE the honour respectfully to observe that in G. O., No. 170, 14th January 1870, acting appointments from one grade to another are forbidden; this would scarcely apply to an Overseer Acting for a Supervisor, or the latter for a Sub-Engineer.

2 If this be intended we shall be put, I fear, frequently to serious inconvenience, as it will be very hard to expect an Overseer to undertake the far heavier responsibility and expense of looking after a range without some increase of pay. I would submit that such an order (if my reading is incorrect) is especially hard on Madras Public Works subordinates, who unlike their brethren in the other Presidencies have independent charges.

No 44. ORDER THEREON, 4th July 1871, No. 1,770.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 8.

THE letter from the Government of India, printed with G. O., No 170, dated 14th January 1870, was in reply to an

enquiry from the Madras Government whether a Supervisor might be appointed to act in the temporary vacancy of a Sub-Engineer. From the answer, the intention appears to be that, although the word grade is used, acting appointments among Upper Subordinates are prohibited. The question will, however, be again referred to the Government of India, together with a recommendation that Overseers, when in charge of ranges, should be allowed 3 Rupees a day travelling allowance.

Chapter IV, Section II, Paragraph 14 — No increased allowances are payable to any officer of the Upper Subordinate Establishment, or to any Sub-Overseer, for performing duties previously entrusted to one of a higher grade in either of the Subordinate Establishments.

Pending a reply, no alteration of existing practice can be authorized, and the attention of the Superintending Engineer is drawn to the quotation in the margin from the Code of the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division.
To all Superintending Engineers.
To the Controller of Public Works Accounts.
To Major R. B. Kennedy.

Ed. S. T. Augustin.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE, 4th July 1871.

No. 45.

No. 1,771.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 9.

SIR,—Doubts having been entertained as to the construction to be placed on the orders of the Government of India under

date the 20th September 1869, No. 1,524 E, regarding acting promotions in the subordinate grades of the Public Works Department, I am directed to refer the question.

2. This Government, in a letter dated 3rd November 1869, No. 3,516, enquired whether a Supervisor might be appointed to act in the temporary vacancy of a Sub-Engineer, and in reply were

13th December 1869, No. 1,971-E. G informed that “no acting appointments

“can be made from one grade to another in the Upper Subordinate Establishment, “whether the persons concerned be Civilians or Warrant Officers.” In the reply, the term grade is used, but, as the enquiry of this Government had reference to promotions from class to class, it has been assumed that the intention of the orders last quoted was to prohibit any acting appointments amongst upper subordinates, and this interpretation seems in keeping with Chapter IV, Section II., paragraph 14 of the Code of the Government of India.

3. In requesting to be informed whether this Government have correctly construed the rule, I am to bring under consideration the hardship of its application in the case of Overseers who may happen to be placed in charge of ranges when subordinates of a higher class are not available.

4. The executive charge of a range, comprising an area of considerable extent, entails increased responsibilities, and is attended with much heavier expenses, especially of locomotion, than an Overseer can reasonably be expected to meet on his present allowances. On reference to a letter from the Accountant-General of the Public Works Department to the Controller of Public Works Accounts in this Presidency, dated 7th June 1865, No. 613, it is observed, that an Assistant officiating for an Executive Engineer is entitled to the increased rate of travelling allowance prescribed for the latter, and, if an enhanced rate of allowance be granted to members of the Engineer Establishment, although the acting promotion does not entail any additional travelling, it will be conceded as only fair that Overseers appointed to the charge of ranges should receive some extra remuneration to enable them to efficiently administer the duties of a range, and to afford them an opportunity of showing what their qualifications are for promotion. His Excellency the Governor

in Council accordingly recommends that Overseers in charge of ranges may be allowed travelling allowance at the rate of 3 Rupees a day. This is the rate allowed to the highest class of subordinates, but is not more than is fairly earned by the additional labour and responsibility imposed on Overseers who have no additional salary while performing the duty of a higher situation, and I am accordingly to request the sanction of the Government of India to the proposal

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Colonel, R E,

Secretary to Government

Exd S. T. Augustin.

No 28

Superintending Engineer
Office and Division
Bengal
13th June 1871.

From
Colonel H. H. H. H. H. H.
Superintending Engineer
2nd Division
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Secretary to Government
Public Works Department

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Yours most obedient
Colonel H. H. H. H. H. H.
Superintending Engineer

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