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No. 451. Read the following Endorsement of the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Establishment—General,) dated Simla, 25th August 1871, Circular No. 51, P. W. :—

Governments of Madras, Bombay, Bengal, North-Western Provinces, and Punjab ; Chief Commissioners, Central Provinces, Oudh, British Burmah, and Mysore and Coorg ; Resident at Hyderabad ; Agents to the Governor-General for Central India and Rajpootana ; and Superintendent of Port Blair.

COPY of the following forwarded, for information and guidance, to the Local Governments and Administrations noted in the margin.

(By Order)

(Signed) J. P. THORPE,

for *Under Secretary to the Government of India.*

Resolution by the Government of India, Financial Department, dated Simla, 9th August 1871, No. 2,605.

Read—

Endorsement of the Foreign Department, No. 97F., dated 14th February 1871, forwarding a letter from the Officiating Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of Mysore, No. 5,381—239F., dated 26th January 1871, and its enclosed statement of pensions sanctioned by the Chief Commissioner during the quarter ending 31st December 1870.

Letter to the Chief Commissioner of Mysore, No. 1,118, dated 23rd February 1871, and Office Memorandum to the Foreign Department, No. 1,119 of the same date, the first of these documents containing a request for information of the circumstances of the grant of pension to a maistry, named Mooneappah Modeliar (entry No. 274 of the above-mentioned statement of pensions) a maistry being usually held to be an artificer, and therefore not entitled to pension.

Letter from the Officiating Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of Mysore, No. 6,543—303F., dated 29th March 1871, explaining the grounds on which it was held that Maistry Mooneappah Modeliar was entitled to pension.

Office Memorandum No. 819, dated 31st May 1871, forwarding a copy of the above-mentioned letter of 29th March to the Public Works Department, with certain remarks as to the eligibility of maistries to pension.

Reply of the Public Works Department, No. 863E—G., dated 21st July 1871.

RESOLUTION.—In order to obviate any difficulty in determining as to what class of maistries in the Public Works Department should be admitted to pension under the rules of the Uncovenanted Service, it is suggested, in the communication of the Public Works Department of the 21st July 1871, that a specific rule should be laid down defining what nature of employment entitles a man to pension.

2. The Governor-General in Council observes, however, that it is not possible to lay down any exact rule which would include every officer entitled to pension, and exclude every officer who was not. Practice must be the guide in every case ; but it is a rule that no new class should be admitted to pension without the sanction of Government in this department.

3. To a certain extent the test is whether clerical education, or scientific (not manual) skill, is requisite for the duties to be performed, but not even this can be said absolutely.

4. The maistries referred to in the communication of the Public Works Department are clearly no more than foremen of gangs, and should not be admitted to pension.

ORDER.—Ordered, that a copy of the foregoing Resolution be forwarded to the Public Works Department, for information and for communication to those Governments and Administrations where it is usual to employ maistries like those referred to by that department.

No. 452. ORDER THEREON, 26th September 1871, No. 2,460.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 56. COMMUNICATED to the undermentioned Officers:—

Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
Superintending Engineers.
Major R. B. Kennedy.
Controller of Public Works Accounts.
Government Consulting Architect.
General Superintendent of Public Works Stores.

(True Extract.)

Captain, R.E.,
Under-Secretary to Government.

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Registries. Circular from Govt of India ruling that Registries employed in the P. W. D. as foremen of Gangs are also entitled to Pensions, Commutation &c. as Ser Officers