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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 8th November 1871.

No. 139. Read the following letter from the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Bellary, 21st October 1871, No. 1,349 :—

I HAVE the honour, with reference to paragraph 3 of G. O., No. 2,626, dated 14th instant, to inform that Mr. Assistant Engineer Montserrat obtained three months' privilege leave previous to Lieutenant Gray reporting sick, and as Mr. Supervisor O'Leary was available for the temporary charge of the Hospett Range, which was the case when leave for Mr. Montserrat was recommended, no inconvenience was anticipated when Lieutenant Gray obtained subsequently six weeks' privilege leave.

2. In reference to paragraphs 1 and 2, I beg to observe that it seems hardly fair, owing to their respective standing in the department, that an Overseer should be required to report upon works which, during *progress*, were inspected and passed by Range Officers. In short, if an Overseer is required to go over a range to furnish completion certificates, it must follow that he in many cases has to certify to works carried out under the orders of his superior officer who may at the time be on leave, or absent from the range owing to other causes.

3. I beg further to observe that the senior Overseer in a range is not necessarily placed in temporary charge of the range, as it may be convenient to bring him away from his own talook to the head-quarter of the range.

No. 140. ORDER THEREON, 8th November 1871, No. 2,829.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 17. ORDERED to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

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

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

To required to report upon works which during progress.

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No. 1349 Superintending Engineer's Office.
3rd Division.
Bellary 21st October 1871

From,
The Superintending Engineer
3rd Division.

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

Enclosures.

Sir,

I have the honor with reference to para 3 of G. O. No. 2626 Dated 14th Instant to inform that Mr. Asstt. Engineer Montserrat obtained three months Privilege leave previous to Lieutenant Gray reporting sick and as Mr. Supervisor Leary was available for the temporary charge of the Kaspett Range, which was the case when leave for Mr. Montserrat was recommended no inconvenience was anticipated when Lieut. Gray obtained subsequently six weeks Privilege leave.

2. In reference to paras 1 & 2, I beg to observe that it seems hardly fair, owing to their respective standing in the Department that an Overseer should be required to report upon works which during

progress

progress were inspected and passed by Range Officers. In short if an Overseer is required to go over a Range to furnish Completion Certificates it must follow that he, in many cases, has to certify to works carried out under the orders of his Superior Officer who may at the time be on leave or absent from the Range owing to other Causes.

3. I beg further to observe that the senior Overseer in a Range is not necessarily placed in temporary Charge of the Range, as it may be convenient to bring him away from his own Station to look to the Head Quarter of the Range.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obt Servant

L. Abdy M.E.
Supt. Engineer 3d Divn

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From,

The Superintending Engineer

3rd Division.

To,

The Secretary to Government.

Public Works Department.

Fort Saint George.

No. 1349

Dated 21st October 1871.

Received 23rd

Informing with remarks
that Br. Sconstable
obtained 3 months Leave
previous to Lieut.
Gray reported himself
sick and observing that
it is hard to require Overseers
in temporary charge of
Ranges to furnish completion
certificates for works.—

Fort St. George 28th October 1871.

Govt of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

Dated.

Recd. Encl.

G. O 8 Novr 1871, No 2829.

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Completion Certificates. Letter from the Engineer & Surveyor 3d Dn pointing out the difficulties experienced by Overseers in temporary charge of Ranges in granting Completion Certificates for Works executed.