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

No. 155. Read the following endorsement of the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 30th October 1871, No. 472:—

MADRAS RAILWAY.

No. 643.

Application from the Agent and Manager requesting an expression of the views of Government as to the promotion of the under-mentioned officer.

Department.—Agent and Manager's. *Name.*—James William Mellis. *Office.*—Assistant Agent and Manager. *Present salary.*—£600 per annum. *Date of entertainment in the Company's service.*—11th December 1869. *Office and salary proposed.*—Assistant Agent and Manager, £850 per annum. *Grounds upon which the proposal is made.*—Application is made for this increase to take effect from the date upon which Mr. Mellis will have completed two years' service, viz., the 11th of December 1871. I can hardly speak too highly of the manner in which Mr. Mellis has discharged the duties appertaining to his office. During my absence from head-quarters upon periodical inspections of the line and works Mr. Mellis has sole charge of my office, and the ability with which he has conducted the correspondence has left me free to travel about the line whenever necessity requires it. I learn from Mr. Beresford Anderson, who acted for me during my six months' furlough to England, that Mr. Mellis rendered him most valuable assistance, and these grounds appear to me to justify my recommendation for his promotion. *Remarks by the Consulting Engineer for Railways.*—See remarks on endorsement.

MADRAS, *26th October* 1871.

(Signed) R. B. ELWIN,
Agent and Manager.

To the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways.

SUBMITTED for the orders of the Government.

2. The Agent applies for an increase to the salary of his personal Assistant on account of the ability with which Mr. Mellis has conducted his duties. The salary proposed, £850 per annum, is higher than has hitherto been given to the Agent's Assistant, and as on the grounds of exceptional qualifications an increased salary is recommended, I would suggest that the Agent and Manager should, in the first instance, lay his recommendation before the Board of Directors previous to submitting it for the approval of the Government.

(Signed) H. L. PRENDERGAST, Major, R.E.,
Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways.

No. 156. ORDER THEREON, 8th November 1871, No. 2,838.

RAILWAY, No. 24.

THE Government will be prepared to take this application into consideration on being made acquainted with the views of the Board of Directors on it.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No Enclosures.

Madras Railway.

'63. Application from the Agents and Managers requesting an expression of the views of Government as to the promotion of the undermentioned Officers.

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Department	Name	Office	Present Salary	Date of entertainment in the Company's Service	Office and Salary proposed	Grounds upon which the proposal is made.	Remarks by the Govt. Engineer for Rys.
Agent & Manager	James William Mellis	Asst to Agent & Manager	£ 600 per annum	11th Decr 1869.	Asst Agent and Manager £850 per annum.	Application is made for this increase to take effect from the date upon which Mr Mellis will have completed two years service viz the 11th of December 1871. I can hardly speak too highly of the manner in which Mr Mellis has discharged the duties appertaining to his Office. During my absence from Head Quarters upon Periodical inspection of the Line and works Mr Mellis has sole charge of my Office and the ability with which he has conducted the correspondence has left me free to travel about the line whenever necessity requires it. I learn from Mr Beresford Anderson who acted for me during my six months furlough to England that Mr Mellis rendered him most valuable assistance, and these grounds appear to me to justify my recommendation for his promotion.	Mr Mellis is a Gd deserving Asst.

Madras
26th Octr 1871

To The Actg Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Agent & Manager.

MADRAS RAILWAY.

From

The Agent and Manager.

To

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways.

P. (T. 5797/1

Dated 26th October 1891

Recd. 27th " "

No. 643

Recommending the promotion of Mr J. H. Mellis, Assistant Agent & Manager from Rs 800 to Rs 850 per annum.

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From

The Consulting Engineer
for Railways,

To

The Secretary to Govt
P. W. Depts

Dated 30th October 1871.

Received 1st November 71

No. 472.

Encl 1.

Submitting an application from the Agent & Manager of the Ac. R. Coy requesting the expression of the views of Govt to the promotion of Lt Hellier Govt Agent & Manager.

No 2838 & 3 Dated 31st Oct 1871

Ref to 9/11/71

Encl 1.

Copy Engr's letter of 25th inst with the views of the Board of Directors &c.

Ref to 9/11/71

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Govt. of {1871} Madras.

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To Hedges Consulting Engrs. for Railways

Dated.

Recd. 8th. /

G. O. 8 Novr. 71, No. 2838.

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Brt Wellis, Asst Agent & Manager,

Madras Ry. Passing orders

on the Endorsements of the

Consulting Engrs. on letters from

the Agent regarding the

Encroachment of Mr.

Wellis.