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No. 58. Read the following letter from the Consulting Engineer for Irrigation and Canal Company, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 10th March 1871, No. 135:—

I HAVE the honour to reply to the Order as per margin calling on me to quote the rule under which I considered that an Engineer in the Company's service while travelling on duty by rail was entitled to conveyance for one horse, as the * G. O., No. 2,611, dated 27th August 1867. Order* under which I had admitted the charge for Mr. Gordon while proceeding from Bellary to Cuddapah does not apply in the case of officers who, having joined, are in the receipt of travelling allowances when marching.

2. In this case Mr. Gordon was transferred on duty from Bellary to Cuddapah, and travelled as far as Ghooty by road, and from Ghooty to Cuddapah by rail, a distance of 96½ miles.

G. O., No. 2,595, dated 24th August 1867.

3. The travelling allowance rules provide that under such circumstances he shall be entitled to be paid—

1stly.—All transit expenses, that is railway fare, boat fare, charge for palanquin and bearers, and transit bullocks, etc., actually paid, upon a bill of particulars thereof, and a certificate by the officer claiming that the same payments were made solely on the Company's business.

2ndly.—An allowance of Rupees 5 a day to cover all other expenses of any kind and description incurred whilst travelling.

4. Except when marching under such circumstances, that is more than 15 miles a day, the Engineers in the Company's service do not draw travelling allowances at all, but they have a fixed monthly field allowance: in Mr. Gordon's case Rupees 200 a month, for maintaining an efficient field equipment, that is tents, horses, carts, and bullocks for baggage. Engineers for the most part maintain two horses, and less would not be suitable for the Deputy Chief Engineer, Mr. Gordon, and although railway fare for horses is not specially mentioned in the travelling allowance rules, it seemed to me to be only equitable that an Engineer travelling on duty by rail should at any rate have one horse, which he was obliged to maintain, carried free, as it is manifest that the allowance of 5 Rupees a day was insufficient for the purpose, and that there was no use in his arriving at his new station without his one horse at least, and that there would be no impropriety in granting him the charge for one only as allowed in the rules for first joining; and, on further consideration, I am inclined to think the expression "all transit expenses," in the travelling allowance rules quoted in paragraph 3 above, includes carriage of horses by rail, and that Engineers should be allowed rail fare for two horses, if taken, on all occasions of travelling on duty, upon which point generally I request the orders of Government.

boat fare, engine

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

No. 59. ORDER THEREON, 4th April 1871, No. 995.

IRRIGATION, No. 4.

* G. O., No. 614, dated 2nd March 1871.

WITH his letter* of the 26th January 1871, No. 115, the Consulting Engineer for the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company submitted extracts of the monthly audit statements with a view

to obtaining the orders of Government on certain claims to travelling expenses preferred by officers of the Company but objected to by the Examiner.

2. Colonel Carpendale remarked, in reference to a charge of Rupees 18 for the conveyance for Mr. Gordon of three horses by rail from Ghooty to Cuddapah on the occasion of his transfer that, under the orders of Government of the 27th August 1867, No. 2,611, the fare for *one* horse appeared admissible. It was however pointed out to the Consulting Engineer that the rules contained in the order quoted by him applied solely to officers joining their stations on first arrival from England, and had no reference to those who, having joined, are in the receipt of travelling allowances when marching.

3. In the letter read at the head of these Proceedings Colonel Carpendale points to clause 59 of the travelling allowance rules which were sanctioned for adoption in G. O. of the 24th August 1867, No. 2,595, as supporting claims to re-imbursement of the amounts paid by Engineers for the conveyance of their horses by rail whenever taken in course of duty, two horses being, he considers, the number for which they may fairly be allowed to charge.

4. His Excellency the Governor in Council is not of opinion that the rule in question contemplated claims of this nature being made. The travelling allowances drawn by officers of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company appear liberal as compared with those granted to members of the Public Works Department under Government, and are, His Excellency in Council is disposed to think, amply sufficient to cover all the requisite expenses of locomotion. Separate charges for the conveyance of horses are under no circumstances admitted to officers of the Government Engineer Establishment on occasions of *transfer*, as will be seen from the ruling of the Accountant-General of the Public Works Department contained in his letter of the 14th August 1869, a copy of which will be forwarded for the information of the Consulting Engineer.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, with one Enclosure.
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OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER OF
PUBLIC WORKS ACCOUNTS,

No. 833.

From

THE CONTROLLER OF PUBLIC WORKS ACCOUNTS,
Madras,

To

THE ACCOUNTANT GENERAL,
OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Chepauk, Madras, 22nd July 1869.

SIR,

Under the Financial Resolutions of the Government of India of the 28th January 1865, and 22nd February 1866, Nos. 463 and 704, respectively, Officers of the Police and Revenue Survey Departments in this Presidency, when transferred from one District to another for the benefit of the Public Service, are permitted to take their horses with them when necessarily travelling by rail or sea, and to recover the expenses actually incurred on this account in addition to their authorized travelling allowance.

2. Similar claims have, for sometime past, been made by Officers of the Public Works Department, but as the orders relating to the provision of passages to Officers travelling on duty by sea make no mention of horses, and as, moreover, Clause VI and IX, Section III, Chapter IV of the Code of the Government of India, appear to restrict Public Works Officers transferred from one District to another, and joining their new appointments by road or railway, to the mileage or daily travelling allowance of their rank, charges for railway fare and freight for the conveyance of horses have been disallowed. As an exceptional arrangement, these charges are admitted (under Clause VIII) to Officers travelling on duty *within* their Ranges or Divisions.

3. There is no doubt that it would greatly add to the efficiency of the Officers of this Department if, when necessarily travelling by sea or railway on occasions of transfer, they were permitted to take their horse or horses with them at the public expense; and looking to the practice in this respect which obtains in the Police and Revenue Survey Departments, I have the honor to request the favor of your opinion as to whether, placing a liberal interpretation on Clause VIII of Para. 1 of the Travelling Allowance Rules, this Office would be authorized in passing claims to re-imbursement of *bond fide* expenses.

4. I have also to request that I may be informed whether similar claims may be passed in the cases of Officers of the Royal Engineers, Passed Students of the Civil Engineering College appointed to the Engineer Establishment, and Civil Engineers under covenant with the Secretary of State, joining their first appointments in the Public Works Department either by sea or railway.

(Signed) S. BROCK,
Controller of Public Works Accounts.

No. 963.

From

THE ACCOUNTANT GENERAL,
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

To

THE CONTROLLER OF PUBLIC WORKS ACCOUNTS,
Madras,

Dated Simla, 14th August 1869.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 833, dated 22nd July 1869, on the subject of travelling allowances, and in reply to state as follows:—

2. In the case of the *transfer* of an Officer of the Engineer Establishment, his travelling allowance will be the mileage rate, or the daily rate authorized for Officer of his rank, according as the daily journeys exceed, or are less than 20 miles, and in no cases are separate charges for the conveyance of horses to be admitted, *vide* Public Works Code (Government of India) Chapter IV, Section III, Para. 1, Clauses VI and IX.

3. As an exceptional arrangement Officers travelling in the regular course of duty may recover the actual railway charge incurred by taking their horses with them, provided the number does not exceed two; *vide* Chapter IV, Section III, Para. 1 Clause VIII.

4. Officers of the Royal Engineers, Passed Students of the Civil Engineering Colleges appointed to the Engineer Establishment, and Civil Engineers under covenant with the Secretary of State, can draw travelling allowance at the mileage rate, or daily rate, only, for joining their first appointments in the Public Works Department.

Consulting Engineer's office
Irrigation & Canal Company
Madras, 10th March/71.

No. 135.
To, Colonel Carpenter R.E.
Consulting Engineer for I.C.C.
The Secretary to Government

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Accountant General. X

(True Copies.)

S. BROCK,
Controller of Public Works Accounts.

MEMORANDUM. No. 510

Forwarded for the information and guidance of the Officer in charge
Range District.

OF THE CONTROLLER OF
PUBLIC WORKS ACCOUNTS,
Madras, 26th August 1869.

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Sir,
To, Colonel, Carpendale R.E.
Counselor for I.C.C.
The Secretary to Government
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 From the Cons. Engrs for S.V.C.C.
 to the Cons. Engrs for S.V.C.C.
 the Secretary & Engrs for S.V.C.C.

Made 10th 3 March 1871.
 Recd: 13th 3 March 1871.

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Travelling Expenses. Referring to
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