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Government of Madras.

Public Works **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. <i>2244</i>	Press
<i>302, 303,</i>	Mis.
Dated <i>21-9-</i>	<i>1872</i>

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
21st September 1872.*

No. 302. Read the following letter from the Officiating Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Bellary, 3rd September 1872, No. 1,251:—

I HAVE the honour to report that the Officer in charge of Ghooty Range has just reported the result of his inspection of the Adoni Taluq in charge of Serjeant Barnes.

2. The report is very favourable indeed; the roads are said to be in excellent order; several new roads traced by Serjeant Barnes are said to reflect great credit on him; the masonry works constructed by him are said to have been substantially built, and to have stood well; and on one road from Holwy to Kosghee Serjeant Barnes effected a clear saving of 5,000 Rupees out of 25,000.

3. Mr. Gilby further states that since he assumed charge, Serjeant Barnes has conducted himself in a becoming and satisfactory manner.

4. Ample evidence has transpired to show that the late Head Accountant of the range was very inimical to Serjeant Barnes, and was the means of doing him a great deal of harm by misrepresentation and otherwise.

5. This and the apparent hopelessness of promotion seem to have quite disheartened the man, and no doubt tended to produce the indolence, apathy, and listlessness, of which Colonel Moberly complained—*vide* G. O. No. 1,190 of 8th May 1872.

6. I consider, however, that Mr. Gilby's report clears him in a great measure from these charges, and the baneful influence of the Head Accountant being no longer felt (the Accountant has been removed to Madanapully Range), I doubt not that Serjeant Barnes will completely retrieve his character, and in that belief I venture to urge his claim to promotion as Sub-Conductor.

7. Serjeant Barnes enlisted in 1855; has seen service in the Crimea, and during the mutiny; joined this department as a Certificated Overseer in 1863, and qualified for his Military promotion in February 1870.

No. 303. ORDER THEREON, 21st September 1872, No. 2,244.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 23.

His Excellency the Governor in Council has received with much satisfaction the above very favourable report of Serjeant Barnes, but is not prepared to modify his order of the 8th May, No. 1,190, regarding his promotion to the Warrant rank on the recommendation of a Range Officer of very short departmental experience, unsupported by the personal knowledge of the Superintending Engineer. He resolves to await further report at the end of the current official year; as Warrant rank is a prize which must be won not only by mere length of service in the Army, but by long continued and exemplary good conduct in the department.

2. It is very questionable whether an Accountant proved to have been guilty of conduct such as that alluded to in this letter and No. 1,182 of 28th August 1872, should be permitted to continue in so important a post. And the

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Superintending Engineer will accordingly submit a detailed report of the circumstances under which he was removed from one range to another, stating the salaries drawn by him in each.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Div
" Military Department.

Ed. T. O'Connor.

No. 1251.

Superintending Engineer's Office.

3rd Division.

Bellary 3rd September 1872.

From,

The Superintending Engineer

3rd Division.

To,

The Secretary to Government

Public Works Department

Fort St. George

Enclosures.

Sir,

I have the honor to report that the Officer in Charge of Ghosly Range has just reported the result of his inspection of the Adony Taluk in charge of Sergeant Barnes.

2. The Report is very favorable indeed; the Roads are said to be in excellent order, the new Range traced by Sergeant Barnes are said to reflect great credit on him; the Masonry work constructed by him are said to have been substantially built and to have stood well, and in one place from Koley to Kowigha, Sergeant Barnes effected a clear saving of 5000 Rupees out of 25,000.

3. Mr. Gibby further states that since he assumed charge, Sergeant Barnes

has conducted himself in a becoming and satisfactory manner. 1251

4. Ample evidence has transpired to show that the late Head Accountant of the Range was very inimical to Sgt Barnes, and was the means of doing him a great deal of harm by misrepresentation and otherwise.

5. This, and the apparent hopelessness of promotion, seem to have quite disheartened the man, and no doubt tended to produce the indolence, apathy and listlessness of which Colonel Proctor complained. Vide G. O. No 1190 of 2 May 1872.

6. I consider, however, that Mr. Gillies' Report clears him in a great measure from these charges and the baneful influence of the Head Accountant being no longer felt (the Accountant has been removed to Madanapully Range), I doubt not that Sergeant Barnes will completely retrieve his character, and in that belief I venture to urge his claim to promotion as Sub Conductor.

7. Sergeant Barnes enlisted in 1855, has

seen service in the Crimea, and during the Mutiny, joined this Department as a Certificated Overseer in 1863, and qualified for his Military promotion in February 1870.

I have seen
Sergeant Barnes
Offg. Supd. Engineer
3. Du

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The Secy to Govt

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No. 1251

Dated 3rd Feb 1872

Received by Saltwater 1872:

ENCLOSURES. 4

Reporting that all
papers in the Colony
have been changed except
Bamorian said to be
in excellent order and
the new specimens and
for transportation & study now
at the disposal of the
Govt Secy to Govt.

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*J. W. 1872-73. Report
From, J. W. 1872-73.
The Superintending Engineer*

NO. 1231

ENCLOSURES. 4-

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Received 100 1872

**The Superintending Engineer
3rd Division**

The Secy: to Govt
of Md. Co

John K. George

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 No. 2242 W. Dept.
 No. of the Ma. Gas. Inst.
 Read the following:
 The Inge (ms. 342) (H. E. No. 1257 of 1877)

His Excellency the
Governor in Council
is not prepared to
modify his order
of the 8th May 1890
regarding the fitness
his
for promotion to the
Warrant Rank of
Sergeant Barnes
on the recommen-
-dation of a Range
officer of very short



he
so Departmental experi-
ence, unsupported
by the personal
knowledge of the
Superintending Engineer.
He resolves to await
further report at the
end of the current
official year, as
Warrant Rank is
a prize which must
be won not only by
length of service
in the army, but by
long continued and
exemplary good
conduct in the
Department.

It is very questionable

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guilty of conduct
such as that alluded
to in this letter &
No. 1182 of 28 Aug/72
should be permitted
to continue in so
important a post.
And Major Tertue
will accordingly
submit a detailed
report of the circum-
stances under
which he was re-
moved from one
Range to another
stating the salaries

drawn by him in
each. hmm

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To The Superintending Engineer
3^d Division

Dated

Recd.

Encl.

G. O. 21st Sept^r, No. 2244.

Nos. 302 & 303

Sergeant Barnes. Passing
orders on the letter from
the S. Engr of the 3^d Div recom-
mending Sergeant Barnes
for promotion to the
warrant grade -

Cir 12 Sept^r