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Public Works DEPARTMENT

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
6th May 1873.*

Read the following papers :—

No. 64. Endorsement of the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division, dated
Camp at Masulipatam, 1st May 1871, No. 12.

From Captain H. SMALLEY, R. E., Executive Engineer in charge of Eastern Delta
Range, Kistna District, to Colonel F. J. MOBERLY, R. E., Superin-
tending Engineer, 2nd Division, dated Viswanadaputty, 28th April 1871,
No. 67A.

I HAVE the honour to request you will forward this my application to be
allowed to re-consider my election of the new departmental salary rules and to
revert to the old rules. I make this application because my prospects of Military
promotion have been increased since electing for the new rules by the augmenta-
tion of the corps of Royal Engineers, and by the likelihood, as stated in the papers,
of the 1st Captains of the corps being made Majors. I have derived no pecuniary
benefit from this effect of the new rules hitherto, and have therefore nothing to
refund in the event of my application being favourably entertained.

FORWARDED for the favourable consideration of Government.

(Signed) F. J. MOBERLY, Colonel, R.E.,
Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division.

No. 65. From Captain A. DeC. SCOTT, R. E., Under Secretary to
Government, Public Works Department, to Colonel G. W. WALKER,
R. E., Acting Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated
Fort St. George, 22nd May 1872.

IN accordance with the Notification of the Supreme Government of the 7th
October 1870, I was called upon to make my election whether I should be paid
under the old rules, receiving staff pay in addition to the Military pay and
allowances of my rank, or under the rules then promulgated, by which I should
draw a consolidated allowance and my net Military pay.

2. Previously to the publication of the Notification alluded to there had been
current in England statements that the Home Government were about to convert
the rank of 1st Captain of the Ordnance Corps (Artillery and Engineers) into
that of Major, and officers of the Indian service then at home became cognizant of
the impending change which is now, according to the declaration of the Secretary
of State for War, in Parliament, about to be carried into effect. That intelligence
did not however reach India till after I had been required to choose between the
old and new rules for salaries, and influenced by the circumstances connected with
promotion in my corps, as they then presented themselves, I elected the new rules.

3. Seeing that when the choice was offered to me I was not fairly in posses-
sion of the facts which would enable me to judge what course it was expedient for
me to pursue; that other officers by the accident of their presence in England were
placed at an advantage in that respect and did accordingly abide by the old rules;
and that the change purposed has nothing in common with the ordinary contin-
gencies which I could be fairly expected to consider once for all in making my
choice, I beg respectfully to request that I may be permitted to re-elect under the
Notification of the Government of India on condition of forfeiting all advantages
gained by drawing consolidated salary during the period in which such salary has
been paid to me.

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6th May 1873.*

No. 66. From Captain J. N. HUNTER, R. E., to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 14th May 1872.

I HAVE the honour to bring to your notice that, in electing the consolidated pay rules of the Department Public Works, I was ignorant of the intention of the English Government to give the rank and pay of Major to the 1st Captains of the Royal Engineers. Under these circumstances I have the honour to request the favour of your soliciting the Government to grant me the boon of a re-election of pay rules on the condition of my forfeiting all advantage derived from my previous election, thus placing me in the same position with those of my brother officers, who being acquainted with the proposed change in the organization of the corps elected the old rules.

No. 67. From Captain H. T. ROGERS, R. E., Acting Principal of the Civil Engineering College, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R. E., Acting Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Chepauk, 14th December 1872, No. 113 C.

I HAVE the honour to bring to your notice that, in electing the consolidated pay rules of the Department Public Works, I was ignorant of the intention of the English Government to give the rank and pay of Major to the 1st Captains of the Royal Engineers. Under these circumstances, I have the honour to request the favour of your soliciting the Government to grant me the boon of a re-election of pay rules on the condition of my forfeiting all advantages derived from my previous election, thus placing me in the same position with those of my brother officers who being acquainted with the proposed change in the organization of the corps elected the old rules.

No. 68. From Major J. N. HUNTER, R. E., Executive Engineer, Mount Range, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated St. Thomas' Mount, 20th March 1873, No. 1,797.

In continuation of my former letter on the subject, I have the honour to request that you will move the Government to allow me to re-consider the rules under which I draw salary on the following grounds.

2. At the time when I was invited to choose between the old rules under which I drew a staff salary of Rupees 600 per mensem *plus* my military pay Rupees 433-10-0, or Rupees 1,033-10-0, and the new by which I draw a consolidated salary of Rupees 950 *plus* my pay proper or 140=1,090, I chose the latter for the following reasons:—

I was then a 1st class Executive Engineer well up the list as it then stood and with every prospect of rising to be a Superintending Engineer when my consolidated pay would have been considerably increased, while, on the other hand, my chances of Military promotion were so poor that there could be no doubt that the Department Public Works offered better opportunities than the Military Department.

Now the case is entirely changed.

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6th May 1873.*

The Public Works Department has been re-organized, and I with others have suffered from the re-organization. There were then eight Superintending Engineers, there are now five; I was then a 1st class Executive, I am now a 2nd class, and my chance of ever being a Superintending Engineer is extremely remote. On the other hand, my Military prospects have changed for the better: I was then a Captain and the gloomy out-look of the then retiring fund was such as to make it probable that there would be a dead lock in Military promotion, when the stimulus of retiring bonuses was removed.

Subsequently to my choice 1st Captains were made Majors, and I now find that the Government have decided to give compensation for the loss of the bonus, which must cause the renewal of the flow of the Military promotion, when I shall probably soon realise my Lieutenant-Colonelcy.

It is true that at present a Major only draws Captain's pay, but I look forward confidently to the time when this apparent anomaly will be corrected. To sum up what I have now said, since the time when my choice was made both Civil and Military prospects have been entirely changed, the former for the worse, the latter for the better. Had things been then as they are now, I certainly would never have chosen consolidated salaries, and I most respectfully request that on consideration of the very great change in my prospects, owing to the entire re-organization of both departments, I may be allowed to re-consider my choice.

No. 69. ORDER THEREON, 6th May 1873, No. 1,273.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 12.

ORDERED that the Government of India be addressed on the subject.

(Here enter No. 1,274, dated 6th May 1873.)

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE, 6th May 1873.

No. 70.

No. 1,274.

FROM

COLONEL G. W. WALKER, R. E.,
Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Public Works Department.

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
Public Works Department.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 11.

Captain Rogers, Royal (Madras) Engineers.
" Hunter " " " " "
" Scott, Royal Engineers, Imperial List.
" Smalley, Royal (Madras) Engineers.

SIR,—I am directed to forward, for the favourable consideration of His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, the accompanying applications from certain Officers of the Royal Engineers named in the margin, who are employed in this department, requesting to be allowed to re-elect under the Notification of the Government of India of the 7th October 1870, the rules governing the payment of their salaries, refunding any sums by which they may have benefited under the rules originally chosen by them.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

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Eastern Delta Range Station
Viswanathapur
28th April 1871
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From

The Executive Engineers

in charge Eastern Delta Range R.

To

The Superintending Engr.

Godwin.

Sir,

I have the honor to beg that you will forward this my application to be allowed to reconsider my election of the new Departmental Salary Rules and to revert to the old rules. I make this application because my prospects of Military promotion have been increased since electing for the new rules by the augmentation of the Corps of Royal Engineers & by the likelihood as stated in the papers of the 1st Captains of the Corps being made Majors. I have derived no pecuniary benefit from the effect of the new rules hitherto & have therefore ^{nothing} ~~wishing~~ to refund in the event of my application being favorably entertained.

I have the honor to be

Yours most obedt to
St. Quallery Capt. R. D. M.
Eastern Delta Range R.D. M.

Captain A. de C. Scott R. E.
Under Secy. to Government
P. W. D.

The Secretary to Government.
P. W. D. Carter.
Port of George 22nd May 1872.

Sir

In accordance with the notification of the Supreme Government of the 7th October 1870 I was called upon to make my election whether I should be paid under the old rules, receiving staff pay in addition to the Military pay and allowances of my rank, or under the rules then promulgated by which I should draw a consolidated allowance and my full Military pay.

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I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedient Servant

Adl. Rott. Captain R.E.

Under Secretary to Government

Public Works Dept.

Madras P 135 4
14th May 1872.

For
Colonel G. W. Walker R.E.
Secretary to Government Dept. Pub. Works

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Yours faithfully
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Captain Royal Engineers.

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No. 113.6.

Civil Engineering College
Chepauk 14th December 1872

Sir

Captain H. J. Rogers R. E.

Ag. Principal Civil Eng. College

Colonel G. W. Walker R. E.

Ag. Secretary to Govt. P. W. Department
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From

Major J. A. Hunter R.E.

Executive Engineer Mount Road

To

Secretary to Government
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Heavenly Love
Sir,

Mr. John O. Stewart

Mount Pleasant
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The Civil Engineer
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The Secretary
to Govt. of India

Dated 20 March 73
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6th May 73

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N^o 1273

Proceedings of the Madras Govt.

Read the following:-

From Capt. H. Smalley R.E. (P.R. N^o 67 A of 28 April 1871)
Capt. A. de. Scott R.E. (— dated 22 May 1872)
Capt. J. R. Hunter R.E. (— dated 14 " — do)
Capt. H. T. Rogers R.E. (— dated 14 " — do)
Capt. J. R. Hunter R.E. (— N^o 1797 dated 25 March 73)

Ordered that
the Govt. of India be
addressed on the sub-
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P.R. N^o 67

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No. 1274

The Secretary to the
Government of India
P.W. D.

Sir,
I am directed to
forward for the favorable
consideration of His
Excellency the Governor
General in Council
the accompanying ap-
-plications from certain
Officers of the Royal
Engineers, named in

Captain Rogers (Royal Madras Engineers) the margin, who are
Captain Hunter " " " employed in the
Captain Scott - Royal Engineers Imperial list - Department
Captain Smalley - Royal Madras Engineers

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PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Secretary to the
Govt of India

Date

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G. O. 6 May 1873, No. 1273-1274

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Salary Rules. Passing
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