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Public works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
22nd January 1873.*

No. 430. Read the following endorsement of the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 31st December 1872, No. 719:—

From the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 4th December 1872, No. 880.

In forwarding, for submission to Government, an application in the usual form for the promotion of Mr. G. A. F. French, 4th class Assistant Engineer, to the grade of 3rd class Assistant Engineer, I have the honour to request that you will be so good as to inform me when I may expect to receive replies to my letters noted in the margin.

To the Consulting Engineer, No. 67, dated 1st February 1872.
To do. No. 469, dated 5th July 1872.

No. 884.

MADRAS RAILWAY.

Application from the Agent and Manager requesting an expression of the views of Government as to the promotion of the under-mentioned Officer:—

Department.—Engineering. Name.—G. A. F. French. Office.—4th class Assistant Engineer. Present salary.—£350 per annum. Date of entertainment in the Company's service.—May 1867. Office and salary proposed.—3rd class Assistant Engineer, £450 per annum. Grounds on which the proposal is made.—I cannot speak too highly of the claims of Mr. French to promotion. Since Mr. French entered the service in 1867, I have had frequent opportunities of judging of his conduct, and on all occasions I have been so satisfied with his behaviour and application to duty that I have great pleasure in recommending his case for the favourable consideration of the Government. A copy of the Chief Engineer's letter, No. 540, of the 21st November 1872, upon this subject, is annexed. Remarks by the Consulting Engineer for Railways.—Nil.

MADRAS,
4th December 1872.

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

From the Chief Engineer, to the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, dated Madras, 21st November 1872, No. 540.

I HAVE much pleasure in recommending Mr. G. A. F. French, 4th class Assistant Engineer, for promotion to the grade of 3rd class from the 11th instant, the date on which he completed two years' service as 4th class Engineer.

2. Mr. French entered the Company's service as an Engineering Assistant in May 1867; was promoted to Sub-Assistant Engineer in August 1868, and appointed 4th class Assistant Engineer in November 1870.

3. I very recently inspected the works on the Neilgherry Branch, the second section of which has been under Mr. French's charge, and have reason to be thoroughly satisfied with the manner in which he has carried out the work both as to quality and rapidity of execution.

4. Mr. Pfeil, 3rd class Engineer, is about to return to England on medical certificate, and will in all probability have to retire from the service so that no additional provision in the half-yearly list of establishment will be required consequent on Mr. French's promotion.

5. I take this opportunity of reminding you of my letter No. 49, of 31st January last, and shall be glad to learn at an early date that the promotion of Mr. Boulbee to the grade of 1st class, and of Mr. Potter to the grade of 2nd class Assistant Engineer, has been sanctioned.

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SUBMITTED to Government in view to the proposed promotion being laid before the Government of India for sanction.

2. Mr. French's promotion to the grade of 4th class Engineer was sanctioned by Government in Order, No. 2,036, dated 30th August 1870.

3. When the appointment of 4th class Engineers was suggested by the Agent of the Madras Railway, it was proposed that, after two years' service, they should, if recommended by the Chief Engineer, be eligible for promotion. This is referred to by the Board of Directors in paragraph 7 of their letter recorded in the Order of Government, No. 1,622, dated 22nd May 1868.

4. The letters marginally noted, to which the Agent solicits a reply, are embodied in orders of Government, Nos. No. 67, dated 1st Feb. 1872. 743 and 1,819, dated 15th March and 469, 5th July 1st August 1872. The first letter refers Messrs. Boulton, and Potter and Pfeil (the last has since left the Company's service) to the promotion of certain Engineers, and the second to the proposed increase of salary to the Assistant to the Agent. No definite reply has yet been received by the Government of India in regard to the above proposals by the Agent.

(Signed) J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, Lieut.-Colonel, R.E.,
Consulting Engineer for Railways.

No. 431. ORDER THEREON, 22nd January 1873, No. 208.

RAILWAY, No. 49.

The application submitted with these papers will be forwarded for the orders of the Government of India, who have already before them the subject of the increase to Mr. Mellis' salary, a reconsideration of which was requested by the Agent in his letter No. 469, dated 5th July 1872.

2. The question of promotion to the Engineers named in the margin has been held in abeyance by this Government in deference to the opinion of the Government of India that the circumstances of the Madras Railway did not at the time appear to warrant the proposed increases. From papers at present before Government, however, it is seen that reductions of the Engineering Department have since been made or are impending; and, under these circumstances, the application in question will now be submitted for the consideration of the Government of India.

(Here enter No. 209, dated 22nd January 1873.)

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Ed. S. T. Austin.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE, 22nd January 1873.

No. 432.

No. 209.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

RAILWAY, No. 50.

SIR,—I am directed to forward, for the orders of the Government of India, the accompanying application from the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway for the promotion of Mr. French from 4th to 3rd class Assistant Engineer.

2. I am at the same time to submit the Agent's application for promotion to the Engineers named in the margin, which has been held in abeyance in deference to the opinions of the Government of India as expressed in their letter, No. 122-E. R., dated 9th February 1872. Since this date, however, the Engineering Department of the Madras Railway has been reduced in strength, and further curtailment has been decided on, as will be seen from the papers accompanying the Establishment lists for the current half-year; His Excellency the Governor in Council has resolved, therefore, to forward the application for the consideration of the Government of India.

3. As regards Mr. Mellis' case, to which allusion is made by Mr. Elwin, I am to invite attention to paragraph 4 of my letter, No. 2,745, dated 22nd November 1872.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

Ed. S. T. Austin.

Charles Railway.

Information from the agent and Engineer regarding an inspection of the means of
Government as to the promotion of the undermentioned Officer.

Post rank	Name	Office	Present Salary	Date of making last salary	Office and pay for service	Remarks by the Engineer for 1872
Engineering	J. W. W. Wrentham	4th Class with Ex. pr. for annum	\$ 3 50	May 1867	\$ 6000 constant Engineer \$ 450 for annum.	I cannot speak too highly of the claims of Mr. Wrentham to promotion. Since Mr. Wrentham entered the service in 1867 I have had frequent opportunities of judging of his conduct, and on all occasions I have seen no action to duty that I have great pleasure in recommending his case for the favorable consideration of the Government. A copy of the Chief Engineer's letter of the 21st December 1872 upon this subject is annexed.

Charles
11th December 1872 }
No. 884
Connecting Engineer for Railways.

Wm. J. Carter
Agent & Engineer.

N^o 540

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Madras Railway Company
Chief Engineer's Office
Madras 21st November 1872

The Agent and Manager

Dear Sir.

1 I have much pleasure in recommending
Mr. G. A. French, 4th Class Assistant Engineer
for promotion to the grade of 3rd class from the
11th instant, the date on which he completed
2 years' service as 4th class Engineer.

2 Mr. French entered the Company's
service as an Engineering Assistant in May 1867,
was promoted to sub Assistant Engineer in August
1868, and appointed 4th class Assistant Engineer
in November 1870.

3 I very recently inspected the
works on the Keligerry Branch, the second
section of which has been under Mr. French's
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with the manner in which he has carried out
the work both as to quality and rapidity of
execution.

4 Mr. Offit, 3rd class Engineer
is about to return to England on medical certifi-
cate, and will in all probability, have to
retire from the service, so that no additional
provision in the half yearly list of Establishment
will be required consequent on Mr. French's
promotion.

5 I take this opportunity of
reminding you of my letter N^o 49 of 31st January

last, and shall certify the same on an early date. That the promotion of Mr. Bennett to the grade of 1st class, and of Mr. Estlin to the grade of 2nd class Assistant Engineer has been sanctioned.

Yours respectfully
Signed / Wm. Ford. Anderson.
Chief Engineer

Sept 15/70

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Submitted to Government in view to the proposed promotion being laid before the Government of India for sanction.

Mr. Darnley's promotion to the grade of 1st class Engineer was sanctioned by Government in order No. 288, dated 30th August 1870.

On the appointment of 1st class Engineer was suggested by the Agent of the Harbour Railway, it was proposed that after two years' service, they should, if recommended by

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also Chief Engineer, be eligible
for promotion. This is referred
to by the Board of Directors
in paragraph 7 of their letter
recorded in the order of Govern-
ment No. 1622, dated 22nd May 1868.

4. The letters marginally numbered 1872¹ and 1872² noted, to which the Agent so kindly a reply, are embodied in orders of Government May 23 and 1819, dated 15 March and 1st April 1872. The first letter refers to the promotion of certain Engineers, and the second to the proposed increase of salary to the Assistant to the Agent. No definite

Reply

Reply has yet been received
by the Government of India
in regard to the above
proposals by the Agent.

Madras
31 December
1852

Manitowish
Smith Coll. Co.

Cons: Edge for Railway.

The Secretary to Court
Public Works Dept.
St. George.

Mr. B. M. L. L. L.
P. L. L.

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abeyance by this Government
in deference to the
opinion of the Govt of
India that the circum-
stances of the Madras
Railway did not at the
time appear to warrant
the proposed increase.
From papers at present
before Government, however,
it is seen that reductions
of the Engineering Dept
have since been made
or are impending; and
under these circumstances
the application in
question will now be
submitted for the con-
sideration of the Govt
of India.

H.L. No 209 d.

To The Secy. to the
Govt of India.

Sir, I am directed to
forward for the orders of
the

Mr. Boulton.
Potter.

To The C.E. for Rys.
Sept 24-1-73

the Govt of India the
accompanying application
from the Agent and
Manager of the Madras
Railway for the promotion
of Mr. French from 4th to
3rd Class Assistant En-
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time to submit the
Agent's application for
promotion to the Engineer
ranked in the margin
which has been held
in abeyance in deference
to the opinions of the
Govt of India as ex-
pressed in their letter
No 122 L.R. dated 9th
February 1872. Since this
date however the En-
gineering Department
of the Madras Railway
has been reduced in
strength, and further
curtailment has been
decided.

decided not, as with the
view from the papers
accompanying the ho-
tablehouse & victor for
the current half year
His Excellency the Governor
in Council has resolved
therefore to forward
the application for the
consideration of the
Govt of India

As regards Mr
Mellie's case to which
allusion is made by
Mr Edwin Sam to
invite attention to para-
graph 4 of my letter
No. 2745 dated 22
November 1872

Handwritten signature/initials

*Copy of letter
No. 2745 dated 22 Nov 1872
sent to the Govt of India
for their consideration
20th Dec 1872*

(Do the Govt of India with
copy of L.O. No. 743 d/15 Nov 1872)

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Govt. of 1873 Madras

PUBLIC WORKS.

The Government of Madras
To the Secretary to the
Govt of India

Dated

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G. O. 22 Jan 73. No 208-209.

Nos. 1170-1171 & 1172

Application, for admission

by the Government, for
the promotion of certain
Officers of the Madras
Railway ordered
to be forwarded
to the Govt of India.

Forwarded, with
remarks, Application
for the promotion
of certain Officers
of the Madras
Railway.