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14th October 1873.*

No. 195. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E., Consulting Engineer for Railways, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 23rd September 1873, No. 511:—

I HAVE the honour to submit, for the favourable consideration of Government, a letter* from the Agent of the Madras

* No. 714, dated 12th September 1873. Railway Company, applying for sanction to disburse to Mr. Boulton a special allowance, at the rate of Rupees 100 per mensem, during the time that he was in charge of the work of construction on the Neilgherry Branch in addition to his proper duty on the 4th Division of the South-West Line.

2. It was expected that the construction of the Neilgherry branch would be finished early in this year, and arrangements in the engineering staff were made accordingly; but, owing to the delay in receiving some of the girders, the branch was not finished until the 1st September. On the 1st April last it was found necessary to remove Mr. Scott, who up to that time had been in charge of the Neilgherry branch; and Mr. Boulton, the Resident Engineer on the 4th Division between Pothanore and Beypore, was entrusted with the completion of the work, in addition to his own duty.

3. This arrangement threw a good deal of additional work upon Mr. Boulton, especially after the receipt of the missing girders on the 11th July. The fact of the branch having been opened for public traffic seven weeks after that date testifies to the exertions which Mr. Boulton must have made; and I recommend that, as proposed by the Agent, a special allowance at the rate of Rupees 100 per mensem be disbursed to him for the five months during which this additional work was thrown upon him. The case is similar to Mr. Hanna's, in whose favor a special allowance was sanctioned by Government in their Proceedings, dated the 1st June 1872, No. 1,367.

4. The enclosed letter* from the Chief Engineer, forwarded by the Agent, shows that funds to meet the proposed allowance are available in consequence of Mr. West's absence on furlough.

* No. 639, dated 22nd September 1873.

From W. B. WRIGHT, Esq., Acting Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E., Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 12th September 1873, No. 714.

With reference to what passed at the meeting of the Stores Committee held yesterday, I have the honour to apply for the sanction of Government to disburse to Mr. Boulton an allowance at the rate of Rupees 100 per mensem for the time that he had charge of the work of construction on the Neilgherry Branch, in addition to his own duties on the permanent-way of the 4th Division of the South-West Line.

2. You will remember that it was explained at the meeting yesterday, that Mr. Boulton took over charge of the branch from Mr. Scott on the 1st of April last, and that since then his duties have been increased considerably owing to the necessity for his superintending the rivetting and setting up of the girders for the bridge of two 64 feet openings at 12 miles, 3 telegraph posts, it having been found that girders originally intended for the Huggery bridge could be made available with very great advantage for closing this gap in the branch, and thus preparing a road for the engine to lead forward the girders for the other bridges.

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3. Mr. Boulton was thus kept occupied until the girders arrived from Calcutta on the 11th of July, after which the branch was completed under his supervision, and was opened for public traffic on the 1st instant.

4. I trust that, under the circumstances, the Government will not object to my making Mr. Boulton the proposed allowance from the 1st April to the 31st of August last.

From T. H. GOING, Esq., Acting Chief Engineer, to W. B. WRIGHT, Esq., Acting Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, dated Madras, 22nd September 1873, No. 639.

CONSULTING Engineer's letter, No. 846, of 15th instant.

The extra allowance for Mr. Boulton during the time he was in charge of the Neilgherry Branch, viz., from 1st April to 31st August 1873, at Rupees 100 per mensem, Rupees 500, can be met from the saving effected in Mr. Stoney's pay in consequence of Mr. West having proceeded on furlough, thus:—

Provided for in half-yearly sanction—

	Per mensem.		
	Rs.	A.	P.
Mr. H. C. West, 1st Class Engineer	863	10	2
„ E. W. Stoney, 2nd Class Engineer	659	1	5
	1,522	11	7
Amount drawn—			
Mr. H. C. West	431	13	1
„ E. W. Stoney	761	5	9
	1,193	2	10
Saving per mensem...	329	8	9
For six months...	1,977	4	6

No. 749.

For the information of the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

(True Copy.)

22nd September 1873.

(Signed) J. W. MELLIS,
for Acting Agent and Manager.

No. 196.

ORDER THEREON, 14th October 1873, No. 2,505.

RAILWAY, No. 37.

His Excellency the Governor in Council sanctions the proposed allowance to Mr. Boulton from savings under the head "Establishment."

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
„ Examiner of Railway Accounts.

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Railway Department.

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE.

No. 511

From

LIEUT.-COLONEL J. H. M. SHAW STEWART, R.E.,

Consulting Engineer for Railways,

To

COLONEL G. W. WALKER, R.E.,

Secretary to Government,

Public Works Department,

Fort Saint George.

SIR,

N^o 7114 - 12th
September 1873.

I have the honour to sub-
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of the Madras Railway Company, ap-
plying for sanction to disburse to
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N^o. 639-22nd
September 1873.

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To the Consulting Engineer
for Railways

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G. O. 14th Dec 1873, 2575.

Nos. 195 & 196

Mr. Baulthre, Madras

Railway. A special
allowance of Rs 100 per
month to Mr Baulthre
for the period he was
in charge of the work of
construction on the Neil-
Gerry branch in addition

to his work on the
S. W. line, sanctioned.