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No. 64. Read the following endorsement of the Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts, dated Fort St. George, 3rd November 1873, No. 4,919 :—

From Lieutenant-Colonel W. T. F. FAREWELL, Inspecting Engineer for Ports and Communications, to T. MOSS, Esq., Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts, dated Camp at Calicut, 20th October 1873, No. 319-42.

With reference to your letter No. 493, dated 30th August 1873, having during my long absence, on duty, from Madras incurred considerable expense in travelling, etc., which is not covered by the allowance passed to me, I have the honour now to submit supplemental bills in which I claim only half my travelling allowance during the time I have been compelled by duty to halt in one locality more than fourteen days.

1 Inspection Report for June 1873.
1 Supplemental Travelling Allowance Bill for June and July 1873.
1 Do. for May 1873.
1 Inspection Report for August 1873.
1 Travelling Allowance Bill for do.
1 Inspection Report for September 1873.
1 Travelling Allowance Bill for do.
1 Inspection Report for July 1873.

2. Rule XI. printed with G. O., No. 1,224, of the 14th April 1869, states that the travelling allowance of Chief and Superintending Engineers shall be passed on bills supported by statements of the place visited, with the dates of arrival at, and departure from, each, and of the distance travelled, with a certificate by the traveller according to Form 81 "that the journeys were performed in the discharge of public duty." No mention is made that a Chief or Superintending Engineer shall certify that he has maintained carriage for a tent; it appears to me, in the case of an Inspecting Engineer, who ranks with a Chief or Superintending Engineer, that it is absurd to demand such a certificate; "maintained carriage" for tents could only be conveyed on the long railway, and canal, and dak journeys, he is, perforce, obliged to perform, at a very heavy outlay, far greater than could be covered by any travelling allowance he is entitled to; and it is equally absurd to suppose, when a tent has been pitched at a site where it will remain so pitched for more than fourteen days, that carts and bullocks for its carriage should be maintained the whole of this time, when such can, at a moment's notice, be procured in the local market; this being exactly my case, I added to my certificate that "carriage for a tent has, when necessary, been maintained." I did not return to Coimbatore on the 30th of July.

3. In the month of August, for which my bill is now forwarded, full travelling allowance is drawn; the tent remained pitched for over a month, and thus requires considerable repairs, etc., etc., while I myself, being engaged on duty some twelve miles from my camp on hills difficult of access, was put to heavy personal expense in the daily conveyance of my official post, the necessaries of life, and batta to servants, etc., etc.

4. During the twelve days I was at Coimbatore, half, and not full, travelling allowance should have been claimed, I have therefore altered the Inspection Report for July accordingly, annexing thereto further lists for the fourteen days threatened to be disallowed in May, and that hitherto unclaimed for twenty-nine days in June, and eleven in July, when on duty at Cochin in the Malabar District, where, under any circumstances, no tents are required to be kept up, and during which time I was

forced to pay for shelter at the rate of 2 Rupees per diem, in addition to daily batta to servants, and sundry other expenses incidental to continued absence from head-quarters, on duty.

5. G. O., No. 2,635, dated 17th October 1871, notes that fifteen days' residence at a place shall be sufficient ground for considering that place an officer's temporary head-quarters, unless otherwise ordered by Government; the inference being that, under exceptional circumstances like those under notice, Government should be appealed to on the subject. Should you therefore not deem yourself competent to pass my claims, I request you will be so good as to submit them to Government for orders, accompanied with this letter.

SUBMITTED for the orders of Government.

Lieutenant-Colonel Farewell's claim is as follows :—

	RS.	A.	P.
May.			
Half travelling allowance for halt at Cochin from 18th to 30th, fourteen days, at Rupees 3	42	0	0
June.			
Do. do. from 1st to 29th, twenty-nine days, at Rupees 3 ...	87	0	0
July.			
Do. do. from 1st to 11th, eleven days Do. for halt at Coimbatore from 17th to 25th and 27th to 29th, twelve days } twenty-three days at Rs. 3	69	0	0
August.			
Full travelling allowance for halt at Pollachy from 1st to 6th and on the Annamalay hills from 10th to 31st, twenty-eight days, at Rupees 6	168	0	0
Do. for march from Pollachy to the Annamalay Hills from 7th to 9th, three days, at Rupees 6	18	0	0
September.			
Full travelling allowance for halt at the Annamalay hills and ghaut from 1st to 7th, seven days, at Rupees 6	42	0	0
Full travelling allowance for march from the Annamalays to Pollachy, en route to Coimbatore, from 8th to 10th, three days, at Rupees 6	18	0	0
Mileage (26 miles) for the 11th	13	0	0
Full travelling allowance for halt at Coimbatore on the 12th, one day	6	0	0
Mileage (38 miles) for the 13th	12	2	0
Full travelling allowance for halt at Coonoor on 14th and 15th, two days, at Rupees 6	12	0	0
Do. for march to Ootacamund on 16th	6	0	0
Total... ,,	493	2	0

2. With reference to the above this office requires the sanction of Government for the admission of the following charges :—

	RS.
Vide Government Order, No. 2,635, dated 17th October 1871. 1. Half travelling allowance for 18th May to 11th July 1873 ...	162
Do. do. 2. Full travelling allowance 1st to 6th, 10th to 24th and 26th to 31st August 1873.	162
Vide Government Order, No. 2,653, dated 17th October 1871. 3. Full travelling allowance for 1st to 7th and 9th and 12th September 1873	54
Total...	378

3. As regards the remarks in paragraph 2 of Lieutenant-Colonel Farewell's letter, it is observed that the form of Inspection Report now required of that Officer is that authorized in Government Order No. 949, dated 5th April 1870, for Superintending Engineers and all other officers in the department, and that the Government of India certificate to which Colonel Farewell refers distinctly provides, as in the case of the certificate in use in this Presidency, for carriage for a tent, or a palkee with bearers, or boat with its crew being kept up on the days for which full travelling allowance is drawn while halting.

Form No. 81, *vide* form in this office Circular No. VII., dated 16th April 1867, sanctioned in Government Order, No. 2,490, of 14th April 1867.

(Signed) T. MOSS,
Offg. Controller of Public Works Accounts.

No. 65. ORDER THEREON, 4th December 1873, No. 2,919.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 4.

THE Controller is authorized to pass the items noted by him as requiring the sanction of Government, the duties on which Lieutenant-Colonel Farewell has been employed having been exceptional, and such as, especially on the Annamallay Hills, must have involved considerable expense.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Inspecting Engineer for Ports and Communications.
,, Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

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No 319
42.

Inspecting Engineer's Office for
Ports & Communications.
Camp ~~Coimbatore~~ Caliente
20th October 1873.

From

Lieut.t Colonel W. T. T. Farewell
Inspecting Engineer for
Ports & Communications.

To

The Offg. Controller of
Public Works Accounts.

Enclosures.
1 Inspection Report for June 1873.
1 Suff.y T. Bill for June & July 1873.
1 Do. for May 1873.
1 Inspection Report for August 1873.
1 T. Bill for Do.
1 Inspection Report for September 1873.
1 T. Bill for Do.
~~1 Railway for Do.~~
1 Inspection Report for July 1873.
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With reference to your letter No 493 dated 30th August 1873 having during my long absence, on duty, from Madras, incurred considerable expenses in travelling &c. which is not covered by the allowance granted to me I have the honor now to submit supplemental bills in which I claim only 1/2 my travelling allowance during the time I have been compelled by duty to halt in

in one locality more than 14 days.—
2. Rule XI. printed with G.O. No. 1224 of the 4th April 1869 states, that the travelling allowance of Chief and Superintending Engineers shall be passed on bills supported by statements of the place visited, with the dates of arrival at, and departure from, each, and of the distance travelled, with a certificate by the traveller according to Form 81— "that the journeys were performed in the discharge of public duty." No mention is made that a Chief or Superintending Engineer shall certify that he has maintained carriage for a tent. it appears to me, in the case of an Inspecting Engineer, who ranks with a Chief or Superintending Engineer that it is absurd to demand such a certificate "Maintained Carriage" for tents could only be conveyed on the long Railway, and Canal, and dank journeys he is, perforce, obliged to perform, at a very heavy outlay, far greater than could be covered by any travelling allowance he is entitled to; and it is equally absurd to suppose, when a tent has been pitched at a site where it will remain so pitched for more than 14 days, that carts and bullocks for its carriage should be maintained the whole of this time, when such can, at a moments notice, be procured in the local market. This being exactly my case, I added to my certificate that "Carriage for a tent has when necessary, been maintained". I did not return to Coimbatore on the 30th of September
3. In the month of August, for which my bill is now forwarded, full travelling allowance is drawn; the tent remained pitched for over a month, and thus required considerable repairs &c &c

while, I myself, being engaged on duty some 12 miles from my camp on hills difficult of access, was put to heavy personal expenses in the daily conveyance of my official post, the necessaries of life, and batta to servants &c &c.

4. During the 12 days I was at Coimbatore, half, and not full, travelling allowance should have been claimed, I have therefore altered the Inspection Report for July accordingly; annexing thereto further lists for the 14 days threatened to be disallowed in May; and that hitherto unclaimed for 29 days in June; and 14 in July; when on duty at Cochin in the Malabar District where, under any circumstances, no tents are required to be kept up, and during which time I was forced to pay for shelter at

at the rate of 2 Rs. per diem, in addition to daily batta to servants, and finding other expenses incidental to continued absence from Head Quarters, on duty.

5. G.O. No. 2635 dated 14th October 1871 notes that 15 days' residence at a place shall be sufficient ground for considering that place an officer's temporary Head Quarters, unless otherwise ordered by Government; the inference being that, under exceptional circumstances like those under notice, Government should be appealed to on the subject. Should you therefore not deem yourself competent to pass my claims, I request you will be so good as to submit them to Government for orders, accompanied with this letter.

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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedt Servt
W Warwick Lieut Col.
Inspecting Engineer for
Ports & Communications.

No 4919

Office of the Controller of P.P.
Fort Saint George 3 Novemb

Submitted for the Orders of Government
Lieutenant Colonel

Farewell's claim is as follows.

May

Half travelling allowance for halt
at Cochin from 18th to 30th 14 days @ Rs 3 — Rs 42—

June

Do — Do from 1st to 29th = 29 days @ 3/ — " 87—

July

Do — Do from 1st to 11th — = 11 days
Do — for halt at Coimbatore
from 17th to 25th and 27th to 29th = 12 Do
23 days @ 3/ = " 69—

August

Full travelling allowance for
halt at Pollachy from 1st to 6th and on
the Annamalay hills from 10th to 31 = 28 days @ Rs 6/ = " 168—
Do for March from Pollachy to
the Annamalay Hills from 7th to 9th = 3 days
at Rupees 6 = " 18—

September

Full travelling allowance for
halt at the Annamalay hills
and ghaut from 1st to 7th = 7 days @ Rs 6 = Rs 42—
Full travelling allowance for
March from the Annamallas to
Pollachy enroute to Coimbatore,
from 8th to 10th = 3 days @ Rs 6 — = " 18—
Mileage (26 miles) for the 11th — " 13—
Full travelling allowance for
halt at Coimbatore on the 12th = 1 Day — " 6—
Mileage (38 miles) for the 13th — " 12-2—
Full travelling allowance for
halt at Coonoor on 14th & 15th 2 days @ Rs 6 — " 12—
Do for March to Dotacammund
on 16th — " 6—

Total Rupees 493-2—

2. With reference to the above this Office requires the sanction of Government for the admission of the following charges.

Vide Government Order No. 2635 dated 17th October 1871	1. Half travelling allowance for 18th May to 11th July 1873.	Rs 162—
Do	2. Full travelling allowance 1st to 6th 10th to 24th & 26th to 31st August 1873.	" 162—
Do	3. Do Do for 1st to 7th & 9th and 12th September 1873	" 54—

Total Rupees 378—

3.

As regards the remarks in para 2 of Lieutenant Colonel Farewell's letter it is observed that the form of Inspection Report now required of that Officer is that authorised in Government Order No. 949 dated 5th April 1870 for Superintending Engineers and all other Officers in the Department and that the Government of India Certificate to which Colonel Farewell refers distinctly provides, as in the case of the Certificate in use in this Presidency, for carriage for a tent, or a Palkee with bearers, or boat with its crew being kept up on the days for which full travelling allowance is drawn while halting.-

Form No. 81
Vide form in this office Circular No. VII dated 18th April 1867 Sanctioned in Government Order No. 2490 of 14th April 1867.

Offg. Controller of P.W. Accounts

To.

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department.
Fort Saint George

P. W. 1873 Despatch ...

Treasy. No. 5989.

The Officer Controlling
H.M. Accounts.

Sir,

I am directed by
the Public Works Department
to transmit herewith
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Received 4th } November 1873
Enc: 8.
No 4919

Submits for orders
Supplemental Travelling
allowance Bills for June
July 1873, also Bills for
August 1873 of Lt. Colonel
Colonel Farewell Inspecting
Engineer for Works
Communications

From The Deputy Surveyor for Ports and Communications
To The Controller & Auditor General
Madras
Audit 20 } Oct. 1873
Despe 24 }
No. 319
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Forwarding Despe Supplemental Travelling allowance bills for June and July 1873, also bills for August 1873 for Audit together with the requisite Inspection Reports, and requesting that should the Controller not deem himself competent to pass the claims they may be submitted to Government for orders.

No. 2919

The Controller is authorized to pass the items noted by him as requiring the sanction of Govt; the duties on which Lt Col Farewell has been employed having been exceptional, & such as, especially on the Buromahday Bells, must have involved considerable expense

Govt

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Do I sign for Pt Commr
Controller with 8 Encls: /

Despe with S.C 5/12/73.

No. 5989

Govt. of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Inspecting Engr for Roads and Communication

Dated

Read. Encl.

G. O. 4th Dec. 1873. 2919.

Nos. 6401 & 6

Travelling Allowance.

Passing orders on the claim of the Insp. Engr for Roads & Communications to Travelling Allowance.