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No. 18. Read the following letter from Major H. R. MEAD, R.E., District Engineer, Tanjore, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Tanjore, 8th June 1874, No. 287 :—

I REGRET to report that I have made the following mistake with regard to the appointment of an Overseer in an acting appointment.

2. When the work of Combaconum College was commenced, the estimate for which allows for a temporary establishment, I appointed to the charge of the work Overseer Ramachendriah (one of the best masonry Overseers in the district), and appointed Pulny Andy Pillay, a Draughtsman, in his place as an Acting Overseer; this man has had in Madura District experience in works, but he has not passed the necessary examination for Overseer. I thought however, under G. O., No. 1,352, dated 13th September 1860, that I was allowed to appoint an unpassed man to an acting appointment, and did so without reference to Government or the Controller.

3. The Controller, however, considers, and I have no doubt but that he does so rightly, that this order only refers to members of the office establishment, etc., and not to Overseers, and, therefore, refuses to pass the pay of Pulny Andy Pillay, Acting Overseer, unless he receives the special sanction of Government.

4. I have the honour to request that this sanction may be given for this man to be employed as Acting Overseer during the employment of Overseer Ramachendriah on the special duty of Combaconum College works.

5. He has already been employed three months, and has done his work well during that time, and it is better that he should continue to be employed instead of a new man taking up his duties for a short time.

6. I regret that I have made this mistake, but trust that Government will sanction his entertainment with retrospective effect from the 10th March 1874, the date of his entertainment as Acting Overseer by me in error.

No. 19. ORDER THEREON, 1st July 1874, No. 1,772.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 1.

It is observed that it is incorrect to charge the pay of Overseers on the permanent establishment to estimates for works as the District Engineer, Tanjore, contemplates in the case of Overseer Ramachendriah; and that the temporary appointment of Pulny Andy Pillay was in excess of the authorized strength of Overseers allowed to the district. It will accordingly rest with the District Engineer to arrange for the superintendence of the Combaconum College works otherwise than by the appointment of a permanent Overseer, if one of those subordinates cannot be spared from his taluq charge without additional expense to Government. The pay due to Pulny Andy Pillay for the period during which he acted as Overseer will be passed by the Controller under the circumstances explained, but that subordinate should be relegated to his legitimate duties at once.

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2. It is remarked that in addition to one Overseer per taluq, an extra Overseer is allowed to each district, whose services should be available for charge of such an exceptional work as that of the Combaconum College.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,  
Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Tanjore.  
,, Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Edw. S. T. Austin.

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No 287

District Engineers Office.  
Tanjore 8<sup>th</sup> June 1874.

From

Major. H. R. Mead R.E.  
District Engineer Tanjore.

To

Colonel G. W. Walker R.E.  
Secretary to Government.  
P. W. D.

Sir

I regret to report that I have made the following mistake with regard to the appointment of an Overseer in an acting appointment.

2. When the work of Combaconum College was commenced the estimate for which allows for a temporary establishment, I appointed to the charge of the work Overseer Rama Chendriah (one of the best masonry Overseers in the District) and appointed Palanyandy Pillay a Draughtsman in his place as an acting Overseer. This man has had in Madras a District experience in works but he has

has not passed the necessary  
examination for Overseer. I thought,  
however, under G.O. No. 1352 dated 13<sup>th</sup>  
September 1860, that I was allowed to  
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acting appointment and did so without  
reference to Government or the Controller.

3 — The Controller, however, considers  
and I have no doubt but that he does  
so rightly that this order only refers  
to members of the Office Establishment  
8<sup>th</sup> and not to Overseers and therefore  
refuses to pass the pay of Palaniandy  
Pillay acting Overseer unless he  
receives the special sanction of Government.

4 — I have the honor to request  
that this sanction may be given for  
this man to be employed as acting  
Overseer during the employment of  
Overseer Ramachandiah on the  
special duty of Combarom College Works.

5 — He has already been employed  
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instead

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this mistake but trust that Govern-  
ment will sanction his entertain-  
ment with retrospective effect from  
the 10<sup>th</sup> March 1874 the date of his  
entertainment as acting Overseer  
by me in error.

I have the honor to be  
Sir,

Your Most Obedt Servt

 Major R.E.  
District Engineer Sanjore.

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P. W. D.

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Read the following:—

From  
The District Engineer (H.E. No. 287 of 1877)

It is observed  
that it is incorrect  
to charge the pay of the  
Overseers on the permanent  
establishment  
to Estimates for works  
As the District Engineer  
Tanjore contemplates in  
the case of Overseers  
Rama Chendrasekhar, and  
that the temporary ap-  
pointment

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H.E. No. 287 of 1877  
The District Engineer  
Tanjore

To,  
The Secretary to  
Govt. P.W.D.

No. 287

Dated 8th June 1877

Respectfully  
the employment of the  
overseers, viz. the  
Rama Chendrasekhar,  
and the temporary ap-  
pointment of the  
overseers on the  
permanent establishment

Appointment of  
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Pillay for the period  
<sup>during which</sup>  
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Controller under the  
circumstances ex-  
plained, but that  
subordinate should  
be relegated to his  
legitimate duties  
at once.

To The D. Eng. Tanjore is  
"Controller of Ena"  
S. C. P. deo. to be 8/7/74.

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as that of the  
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The Dist. Engr.  
Tanjore

Order

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Overseer for the Comba  
Convent College Works -

The Dist. Engr. Tanjore requested to  
arrange for the superintendence of  
the works otherwise than by the  
appointment of a permanent Overseer  
of Overseer Ramachandrich and  
Belangandy Pillay cannot be  
spared from their regular charge  
without additional expense, &  
the pay of the latter subordinate  
for the period during which he  
acted as Overseer to be paid  
and to be relegated to his  
legitimate duties at once —

18-19.

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