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1st August 1874.*

No. 31. Read the following letter from G. S. SAGE, Esq., District Engineer, South Arcot, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Camp at Punrooty, 3rd July 1874, No. 72:—

I HAVE the honor to bring the following to your notice, in the hope that you will see fit to move the Government to make the alteration asked for.

2. In G. O., No. 1,908, of 12th August 1872, fixing Range Office Establishments, two first-class and one third-class offices were sanctioned, the establishment for a third-class office being as follows:—

	RS.
1 Accountant	40
1 Assistant Accountant	20
1 Do. Writer	15
3 Lascars	21
Per mensem...	96

3. The establishment shown in above paragraph is very ineffective, as no Draughtsman is allowed, but three Writers; whereas for a second-class range a Draughtsman is allowed and only two Writers; if two Writers are sufficient in a second-class range they are equally so in a third-class, and I would do away with the Assistant Accountant and Writer on Rupees 15, and employ a Draughtsman on Rupees 30; the establishment would then stand:—

	RS.
1 Accountant	40
1 Draughtsman	30
1 Assistant Accountant	20
3 Lascars	21
Per mensem...	111

or Rupees 15 in excess of present allowance.

4. Work has now to be done in a different manner from what it used to be, and numerous plans, etc., are requisite, and if no Draughtsman is allowed the Range Officer on from Rupees 150 to Rupees 400 is employed in doing what a man on Rupees 30 can do equally well, besides the fact of the Range Officer being taken away from his proper duties of inspection.

5. The principle on which the third-class ranges were selected I do not understand, but from my own experience I know that in Cuddapah there is one second-class range, the establishment, Rupees 136, allowed for which is barely sufficient, whereas in the third-class range of this district (South Arcot) there is twice as much work to be done, and only Rupees 96 of establishment is allowed.

6. Under the circumstances given above, I trust you will think it right to lay the matter before the Government, as, unless a Draughtsman is allowed, one of two things must take place, either much less work must be properly done, or work done as usual and in a very slipslop manner.

7. I again respectfully beg to point out that an Engineer's office cannot be considered complete, or more than an office of account, without a Draughtsman.

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1st August 1874.

No. 32. ORDER THEREON, 1st August 1874, No. 2,111.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 3.

No alteration of the scale of the third-class range establishments can be made, involving an increase in their cost without a corresponding reduction in other directions.

2. The question of some slight rearrangement of the details of the several classes of establishment so as to afford, if possible, the assistance of a Draughtsman to third-class Range Offices, will be remitted to District Engineers for report.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, South Arcot.
To all other District Engineers.
To the Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts

Ed. H. C. Shanley
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*Is the range office applicant
a draughtsman's work?*

*Has the draughtsman
been supplied by the
District Engineer?*

Memo.

Mr. Sage makes out
a strong case from the
point of view of a man
who is probably himself
a poor draughtsman, and
would be puzzled to know
what to do if he had charge
of a 3rd class Range. Should
he draw his own Plans?

But in point of fact
a District Engineer should
step in with his drafts-
man to supplement
such wants of a 3rd
Range, as the Range Of-
ficer himself or his Of-
ficers cannot supply.
An Officer who is a good
draughtsman has a plan
now in working at
Plans himself, & does

not consider it waste
of his time.

At the same time this
particular Range in S.
West may be wisely
closed, and really
require a 2^d class Estab-
lishment; and Mr.
Sage's proposal may
therefore be a moderate
one - Still the total cost
for Office Establishment
should not if possible
be exceeded; and it is
proposed that the Madras
Secretary shall ascer-
tain the views of all
District Superiors on the
subject of revision of Es-
tablishments subject
to that condition - Then
Lt. Governor can deal with
the matter as one of the
subjects committed to him.

Ed. H. C. Shaw Esq.

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For revision, together with
forms of accounts -

Colonel Kennedy, of Wg-
:nand happening to be
with the Ch. Secy lately,
was asked his opinion
on the subject, and he
:phatically denied the
propriety of adding a
Draftsman to 3^d class
Range Establishment.

— G. S. —

14.7.74

Quite approve of the
proposal. The only work
that has to be done in the
District is a fair copy
and after the Sp. accor-
ding - he might perhaps allow
a temporary land
on Mysore & Mad
rains similar I fancy
there are orig. works in S.
range in

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1st August 1874.

D. P. W.
SOUTH ARCOT.

No. 42

DISTRICT ENGINEER'S OFFICE.

Camp

Dated 3rd July 1874.

From

The District Engineer,

To

South Arcot.

The

Secretary to Government
(G. D. H.)

Enclosures.

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per month Rs 96

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E. H. C. Sharma

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prime sum—Rs 111

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Sir

your most obedient servant

W. L. M. G.
District Engineer

C. W. Dept.

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Read the following.

From
The District Engineer
South Arcot } (H.E. No. 72 of 3rd July 1874)

No alteration of
the scale of the third
class Range establish-
-ments can be made,
involving an increase
in their cost without

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I think that a strong case
is made out - and that a
reduction in other directions
is possible. I suppose the correspondence
between the two has been the
arrangement of expenses - &
in the mean time, must not
a temporary arrangement be
made?

The question of some
slight rearrangement
of

D. W. 1874, 2, 11.
SOUTH ARCOOT, D. P. W.
From Mr. J. S. M. 1874, 1, 22

The District Engineer
South Arcot.

To
The Secretary to Government

Date 3rd
Despatched 4th
Received 7th

No. 72
Enclosures 1

Respecting certain of
the arrangements to be made in
the establishment of the
2nd class Range - South Arcot
(Circular)

G.O. No. 2111. 1-8-74.

Accepted
21st July 1874

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several classes of
establishment so as
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the assistance of a
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Range officers will be remitted to District
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considered after cor-
-respondence with the

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District Engineers—

Chas.

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To the D. E. S. Great ✓
• all other Dist. Engineers ✓
• Controller ✓
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To

The Dist. Engr.
South Arcot

Dated

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 1st August 1874, No. 2111

Nos. 11-12.

Range Establishment

The question of some slight rearrangement of the details of the several classes of Establishment so as to afford if possible the assistance of a draftsman to 3rd class Range Officers permitted to 2nd Engrs for report —