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24th April 1874.*

No. 324E. Read the following endorsement of the District Engineer, Presidency, dated Fort St. George, 20th April 1874, No. 312:—

From F. DODERET, Esq., Government Mathematical Instrument Maker, Public Works Department, to J. N. GRAINGER, Esq., General Superintendent, Public Works Workshops and Stores, Madras, dated Chepauk, 18th April 1874, No. 137.

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge receipt of the endorsement of the District Engineer, Presidency, dated 15th April 1874, No. 208, on the Orders of Government of 30th March 1874, No. 373, and in reply beg respectfully to state that it has always been my aim and endeavour to cheerfully carry out the wishes of the Government whom I have the honour to serve, and it would only afford me much pleasure in undertaking the special duty assigned to me in the order above quoted. I desire, however, and I feel it my duty to bring to the notice of Government, through you, with reference to that portion of the Government Order which restricts my stay in Europe to the period of my privilege leave, viz., two months and eighteen days, that the journey alone to and from England will occupy about fifty days, which deducted from the leave to which I am entitled by rule will leave me only twenty-eight days in which to transact a large amount of private business. Here I may perhaps be forgiven for mentioning what my private business is. I must take my two elder children to Germany to place them in school; I must pay a farewell visit to my very aged father residing in a distant part of Germany; and, finally, I must break up my establishment in London and bring my wife and younger children back to India with me.

2. The twenty-eight days I shall have in England would barely suffice to enable me to complete this business, which in spite of great expense and fatigue compels me to go home. I was anxious further to thoroughly acquaint myself with the process for galvanizing iron; to see after the construction of a Sykes' hydrometer in glass, by which we might avoid the often-proved defects of metal hydrometers. You will, I feel confident, be satisfied that having all this business to transact it is unlikely that I shall be in a position to fully and satisfactorily perform the duties which the Government, at the suggestion of the Government Astronomer, have asked me to undertake, although they are so much to my taste; but it will nevertheless be my endeavour to carry out these duties to the best of my ability, so far as it may be possible to attend to them within the very limited period of my stay in Europe.

3. I beg to add that I propose to leave for Europe about the 2nd May.

Copy forwarded to the District Engineer, Presidency.

CHEPAUK,
18th April 1874.

(Signed) J. N. GRAINGER,
Genl. Supt. Public Works Workshops and Stores.

SUBMITTED in reference to G. O., dated 13th April 1874, No. — .

(Signed) J. GODDARD, Lieut-Colonel, R.E.,
District Engineer, Presidency.

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ORDER THEREON, 24th April 1874, No. 1,066c.

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UNDER the circumstances stated by Mr. Doderet it will be intimated to the Government Astronomer, through the Public Department, that he must adopt other means of effecting the object he has in view.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Public Department.
.. District Engineer, Presidency.

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From
The District Engineer, Presidency

Dated 20th April 1874
Received 21st April 1874
No. 312

Submitting
a letter from Mr.
Doderet intimating
that the period
of his stay in
Europe will not
be sufficient to
enable him to
undertake the
special duty re-
quired by Govt.

Under the circumstances stated by

Mr. Doderet it will be intimated to the
Government Astronomer through the Public
Department that he must adopt other means of effecting the object he has in view.

To the Public Department
R.E. Secretary to Government
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To Mr. Public Dept.

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- instruments - Intimating
that Mr. Soderb will
not have sufficient time
in Europe to obtain the
instruments required
by the Govt. of Astronomer