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27th April 1874.*

No. 345D. Read the following letter from G. S. SAGE, Esq., District Engineer, Cuddapah, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Camp at Nandimandalam, 8th April 1874, No. 50 :—

WITH reference to latter part of 5th paragraph of G. O., No. 456, of 24th February, I have the honour to request you will be so good as to inform me what I am to do with Mr. Hudson on his being relieved, that is, am I to send him to the Sappers and Miners at Bangalore to send in his papers, or to Bellary to appear before a Committee as Mr. Hudson is a military man ; it strikes me I have nothing to do with sending in his papers, and, in fact, I do not know how I am to act, not having had anything similar to do before. I have therefore the honour to request early instructions, in the meantime I will keep Mr. Hudson at Madanapully.

2. I have also the honour to enclose a letter just received from Mr. Hudson for such notice as the Government may consider necessary.

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From Conductor F. HUDSON, Sub-Engineer in charge of Madanapully Range, to G. S. SAGE, Esq., District Engineer, Cuddapah, dated Madanapully, 3rd April 1874, No. 14.

REFERRING to G. O. noted in the margin and your endorsement thereon, ordering that I should take my pension, I have the honour to state that I am quite willing to do so ; in fact No. 456, dated 24th February 1874. I do not wish to remain where I am not wanted. I completed the period of service, including the two years boon, qualifying for pension, in December last. I have no papers to send in ; these should be procured for me from the corps of Sappers and Miners ; the first step to be taken in order to obtain an invalid pension is, I believe, to appear before a Board of Medical Officers ; but I am not certain about this, the method of procedure will be, however, not unknown to Government.

2. Although I have expressed my willingness to take my pension, I am most anxious to obtain the Honorary Commission before doing so, in order to give my children a better status and myself a better pension, and I believe that this piece of good fortune might fall to my lot within a twelve-month, and I therefore solicit that Government will do me the favor to grant me leave, or give me any employment that they may consider me qualified for, for the above period. It will be in the recollection of Government that I but lately relinquished a year's leave in England in order to return to my duty in this country, and I have had only sixteen months' leave, including privilege and preparatory leave, since I entered the service ; and as I have usually been in employments that were too high for one of my rank, it would not, I should say, be amiss to employ me now in an inferior position. All the time that I was an Overseer I had charge of a range, having received charge the same year in which I was promoted to Overseer from Assistant Overseer. At Bangalore I was employed during the latter part of my stay there upon cement experiments, and at present I have charge of an Executive Engineer's Range.

3. With regard to my services, I beg to state that I was for eleven and a half years in the Vizagapatam District, and for nine years out of that was a Range Officer. The complaint made against me was, as near as I can recollect, for exceeding two road estimates ; but, as I had no Overseers in my range, this was caused by want of supervision. The complaint in question was made by Colonel F. J. Moberly, who was only in temporary charge ; and his predecessors Captain Ryres, Colonel Chambers, Captain Hunter and Major Shaw-Stewart reported on me, I believe, in the highest terms. Government are in a position to ascertain whether this is correct or otherwise.

No. 114

No. 3 on Madanapally Range Office
Madanapally 3rd April 1874

Sir,

The Officer in Charge of
Madanapally Range &c.

To

The District Engineer
Cuddapah

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No. 436 dated
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4 I was given a change to Coim-
batore for the benefit of my health
which was suffering from fever, contracted at

at the foot of the Ghats. After
I had been at Coimbatore for five or
six weeks, Government removed me, without
any solicitation on my part, to the 4th
Division, with the object of giving
me charge of the Chenzulpur Range
and with the belief that the coast
climate was better than that of Coimbatore
for a febrile subject, (so Col. O. told
me) but on reaching Trichur, it was found
that Major Ingham did not require Mr.
Atkinson, the Chenzulpur Range Officer,
on the Red Hills Sanatorium project, so
that Mr. Atkinson was, as a matter of
course, ordered to stand fast at Chenzulpur,
and I to do duty under the Officer
in Charge of the Fort Range, where
I remained for three months or so and
was then sent, with another Supervisor,
to Bangalore. I believe that Col.
Goddard was pleased with my services,
as he recommended that I should act
for him for three months while he should
avail himself of Cumulative Privilege leave
for that period; but to which proposal
Government objected on account of my
military

military rank. In Bangalore I was employed
for the first part of my stay as General
Assistant to the Executive Engineer
and the latter part on census experiments;
and Captain Wood was displeased with
me for not furnishing my report on these
experiments sooner. I delayed it for a
few days in order to make it as complete
as I could, and the upshot was that
I was kicked out of Bangalore, and
the fact that this report is not alluded
to by Mr. Nicholson, although my
experiments go to prove the same things
as his, is a proof that my report was
shelved, and this a comment upon the
way I have been treated in this matter.
I do not know anything of the G.O.
of 1868 - it was never communicated
to me, but it must have been by the
same Officer, Captain Wood.
I beg to state that I have
never served under the District Engineer
of Bunnool, nor has that gentleman
even

ever seen one; and that I do not think
that he could have been in possession
of the necessary data to arrive at a such
a conclusion. There was no work going
on while I was at Quindini except
some ordinary repairs to Gaules & Roads;
I did not report upon the Value
Cutting at Quindini because the Super-
intending Engineer had inspected it, and
the work was not in progress, so that
I could only be judged of by my reports
and as some of these have been before
Government it must be known whether
they are good ones or not.

In conclusion I respectfully
beg that Government may be pleased
to grant my request to be allowed to
remain in the Service till promoted
to the higher Warrant Grade, on the
understanding that on the promotion
being Gazetted, that the preparation
of my Pension papers should be put in
hand at once, as the Honorary Com-
mission would follow in due course. I
believe there is nothing against me as

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a soldier; I was a Range Officer during
the whole of the time. I was a Sergeant
and in my Civil capacity I rendered
important service during the Mutiny
in constructing the Caspian Coast
Telegraph line in the Vizagapatnam
District, and that I have reached
so near the goal of the Soldier's ambition
it would be hard to deprive me of it; and
I confidently leave my case in the hands
of Government.

I have the honor to be

Yours most obedt. Servant

F. W. Cress

Sub Engineer in Charge
Madras & P. & N. Range

W. M. S.
C. B. S.

Cuddalore District Engineer's Office
No 50 Camp Sandimundalam Dated 8th April 1874
From

The District Engineer
Cuddalore

To
The Secretary to Government
P.W. Department
Madras

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I have &c

No 14
From
Cuddalore 5/13/74

The Officer in
charge

The District Engineer

Cuddalore

8th April 1874

For the Secretary to Government

Madras

Received by his Acting

Secretary

18/4/74

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I propose to know what
 he should do with the
 children, & for his own
 relief of the young -
 Change, as ordinarily E.D.
 as No. 56 of 24 February.
 E.D. No. 10775. 27-6-76



P. W. D.

Proceedings of the Madras Government,

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Read the following:—

From the District Inspector
Cuddalore _____

(21 S. 2^d 50 87 8th April
1874).

His Excellency the Governor in Council must decline to entertain Conductor Hudson's proposals to be allowed to remain in the service until qualified for an Honorary Commission. Conductor Hudson was ordered in G.O. No. 456 dated 24th February 1874 to take the pension of his rank on account of his conduct not admitting of

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of his retention on the
active list and these
orders will be immedi-
ately carried into effect,
and communicated
to the Military Dept.
for the information
of His Excellency the
Commander in Chief.
The Chief Engineer will
apply, on behalf of
Mr Hudson, for the or-
dinary retiring pension
of his rank and not
an invalid pension.
The amount to which
he is apparently en-
titled is Rs. 42.8.0
under

under general orders
by the Government
of India No. 598 of 1870.

The same course
will be taken in Lieut.
and Assistant Commis-
sary Haddock's case,
which is reviewed in
G.O. No. 592 dated 6th
March 1874.

l.m.w.

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To Secy. General
Military Dept.
S. Copies despt. 15/5/74.

Mr. S. despt. to Lt. Genl. (superseded) & Secy. 27/4/74
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The Dist. Engr.
Buddapah.

Mr. W. Robertson
Dist. Engr. Bangalore

Dated

Recd.

Encl. /

G. O. 27th April 1874, No. 1077 B

Nos. 3458-3462.

Conductor Hudson and
Lieut. & Asst. Commissary
Haddock - Passing
orders on the subject
of their transfer to the
Punim Establishment

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