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28th April 1874.*

No. 575. Read the following Circular from the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Establishment—General,) dated Fort William, 16th March 1874, No. 11:—

COPY of the following forwarded to the Local Governments and Administra-

The Governments of Madras and Bombay, in the Public Works Department.
The Governments of Bengal, the North-Western Provinces, and the Punjab, in the Buildings and Roads and Irrigation Branches.
The Chief Commissioners of the Central Provinces, Oudh, British Burmah, Mysore and Coorg, and Assam.
The Resident at Hyderabad.
The Agents to the Governor-General for Central India and Rajpootana.
The Superintendent of Port Blair and Chief Commissioner, Andaman and Nicobar Islands.
The Inspector-General, Military Works.
The Chief Engineer, Military Works.
The Consulting Engineer to the Government of India for Guaranteed Railways, Calcutta, Lahore, and Lucknow.
The Engineers-in-Chief, Punjab Northern, Indus Valley, Northern Bengal, Delhi and Agra Districts, Rajpootana, Holkar, Neemuch State Railways, and Western Rajpootana and Sindia State Railway Surveys.

tions and the Officers noted in the margin, for information.

Also to the Accountant General, Public Works Department, for communication to Royal Engineer Officers serving in the Accounts Branch of the Department.

(By order.)
(Signed) J. G. STEEL, Major, R.E.,
Offg. Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

From the Secretary of State for India, to the Government of India, dated 23rd December 1873, No. 275 (Military.)

Royal Engineers.

Your letter No. 237, dated 6th November 1873, states that, pending the decision of Her Majesty's Government on the general question raised in your letters Nos. 24 and 212 of 1873, of Officers of Royal Engineers in the Public Works Department being allowed to revert to the Imperial List, no objection has been made to the acceptance of * * * resignation of his Public Works appointment, it being understood that it is his intention to return at once to England.

2. I must draw the attention of your Government to the fact that it has been definitely arranged that nine out of the seventeen Battalions of Royal Engineers are to be employed in India, and that the estimates for Army expenditure in England are prepared accordingly. Employment in India on the part of Royal Engineer Officers cannot therefore be made so purely voluntary as to allow individual Officers, by throwing up their appointments, to disturb the arrangement entered into by the Imperial and Indian Governments, and to add to the expenditure of the former Government an amount unforeseen and unprovided for.

3. Although, therefore, it is objectionable that Engineer Officers who decline employment in the Public Works Department should cause a charge upon Indian revenues, the arrangement under which their services are alone obtainable must be maintained, and they cannot be brought upon the British Establishment until their period of service has expired, or measures can be arranged for their relief.

4. In cases, therefore, where Engineer Officers exercise their right to decline civil employment (which cases I apprehend will be rare), your Government will employ them in any special Military duty for which they may be fitted, or in general duty.

Endorsed by Military Department, dated 3rd February 1874, No. 115, Royal Engineers.

COPY of the above forwarded to the Public Works Department, in continuation of Military Department docket No. 282, dated 4th December 1873.

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ORDER THEREON, 23th April 1874, No. 1,092.

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(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

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