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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

20th November 1877, No. 1,731 W.

General
Establishment.

Read the following papers:—

No. 180. Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Revenue Department,
dated 15th October 1877, No. 2,365.

No. 180-A. Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Revenue Department,
dated 18th October 1877, No. 2,430.

No. 180-B. From J. TRAILL, Esq., Acting District Engineer, Cuddapah, to the
Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Camp, Gurrumconda, 5th
November 1877, No. 1,960.

I HAVE the honor to forward for disposal the accompanying copy of endorse-
ment, dated 25th ultimo, No. 2,430 Extra, received from the Acting Collector, relative
to the conduct of Serjeant Overseer Green, Overseer on Famine Works.

Endorsement of the Acting Collector of Cuddapah, dated Camp, Vanipenta, 25th October 1877,
No. 2,430 Extra.

From Serjeant T. GREEN, Overseer, Department of Public Works, to the Divisional Relief
Officer, Jammalmadgoo, dated Muddanoor, 17th October 1877, No. 135.

With reference to your office No. 63 of the 15th instant, I have the honor to state that
I have not been in the habit of going into Cuddapah every Sunday. I never went there at all
except to see the Doctor or to get the cheque for my salary cashed in the Cuddapah Treasury.
The Range Officer has always been in the habit of drawing the cheques for my pay and that of
my lascars on the Cuddapah Treasury, and as I have not got any man that I am willing to trust
I have to see about getting them cashed myself.

2. On the occasion on which the Collector came here and found me absent I had gone to
Cuddapah to get my salary. This you will find on reference to the cheque itself in the Cudda-
pah Treasury.

3. As regards my going into Cuddapah every Sunday, I do not see how that could be, as
I have always been present at the paying of the coolies on that day. The only occasion on
which I did go into Cuddapah on Sunday was when you were in camp at Muddanoor, and I went
to get a man up to shoe my horse as he had gone lame and was unfit for work. I told you
when I returned that I had been to Cuddapah, and the purpose for which I went there, which
you seemed to think was legitimate business as you said nothing about it at the time, and
whoever informed the District Engineer that I was in the habit of going there every Sunday
must have been in error and mistaken somebody else for me.

From H. GILLON, Esq., Divisional Relief Officer Jammalmadgoo, to J. F. PRICE, Esq.,
Acting Collector of Cuddapah, dated Camp, Maidukoor, 23rd October 1877, No. 18 D.

In continuation of this office No. 74 D, dated 2nd instant, and No. 241, dated 7th instant,
reporting the conduct of Serjeant Green, Overseer, Department of Public Works, late in charge
of the Jammalmadgoo-Muddanoor road, I have the honor to enclose a copy of a letter, dated
17th instant, No. 135, in which Serjeant Green gives an explanation of some of the charges
made against him. In this office No. 63, dated 15th instant, referred to by Serjeant Green, I
informed the latter that the District Engineer had stated that he had reason to believe that he
(Serjeant Green) was in the habit of spending his Sundays in Cuddapah.

2. With reference to this explanation submitted by Serjeant Green, I have the honor to remark that I was never aware that Serjeant Green was in the habit of going into Cuddapah to draw his pay, and I do not believe that Mr. Wenkes was aware of the fact either. Moreover, as the Treasury is, I believe, closed on Sunday, Serjeant Green probably went in on Saturday or stayed till Monday on these occasions. In fact you passed through Mudanoor on Saturday the 6th instant, on which date Serjeant Green admits he was absent, and from this it may be inferred that he was always absent on Saturday as well as Sunday. As he never, as far as can be ascertained, asked for leave to make these journeys, he must be held to have made them without leave. Serjeant Green could easily have obtained a transfer receipt on Jammalamadugu Treasury had he so wished, while it would not have been difficult for him to have requested the Range Officer to make his bills payable on that Treasury.

3. I have not the slightest recollection of Serjeant Green's ever reporting to me either in writing or verbally that he had gone to Cuddapah to fetch a man to shoe his horse. He certainly told me that the farrier I saw at Mudanoor had come on his account, but I did not at all understand him to say that he had brought him from Cuddapah himself. He could surely have trusted his lascars to fetch a man to shoe his horse.

4. In this office No. 560, dated 8th instant, in which Serjeant Green was requested to explain why he was absent on the 6th instant, he was also called upon to explain why he did not attend to his duties from the 25th ultimo to the 1st instant inclusive. Serjeant Green seems to have thought it discreet to take no notice of this request in submitting the enclosed explanation. The facts were reported to you in this office No. 211 above quoted.

5. You are, I believe, in possession of information to the effect that Serjeant Green, on a recent occasion, took a trip to Madras and back. He certainly did not obtain leave to do so.

6. Serjeant Green did at last on the 11th instant send in his cash balance, said to amount to Rupees 5,616-13-2. There was however a sum of Rupees 9-1-2 deficient. The Tahsildar called upon him for an explanation, but has received no reply. Serjeant Green is liable to have to make good the amount.

7. The accounts for August and September were not obtained until Mr. Obbard took them from Serjeant Green a few days ago. Nothing has been done by the latter towards making up his accounts and he alleged that as his reason for refusing to send in the nominal rolls

8. Serjeant Green has not yet replied to the letters mentioned in paragraphs 12 and 13 of this office No. 74 D, above quoted. In fact for the last three months I doubt whether he has answered a single letter addressed to him.

COMMUNICATED with copy of enclosure to the District Engineer in reference to this office No. 2,376, dated 5th October 1877.

2. The information received in regard to Serjeant Green's having been to Madras was from a reliable source.

(Signed) J. F. PRICE
Ag. Collector

No. 181.

ORDER THEREON, 20th November 1877, No. 1,731 W.

COMMUNICATED to the District Engineer, Presidency, under whose orders Serjeant Green has been placed.

2. Serjeant Hilton, R.E., has been posted to the Cuddapah District in the place of Serjeant Green.

(True Extract.)

To the District Engineer, Presidency
Cuddapah.
" Revenue (Famine) Department.
Exd. S. T. Austin.
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Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

15th October 1877, F. R. No. 2,365.

Famine Relief.

Read the following paper:—

No. 555. From J. F. PRICE, Esq., Acting Collector of Cuddapah, to J. H. GARSTIN, Esq., Additional Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort St. George, dated 5th October 1877, No. 684.

I HAVE the honor to forward, for the consideration of Government, a report made by Mr. Gillon, B.C.S., Divisional Relief Officer, Jammalamadugu, in regard to the conduct of Sergeant Green, Overseer, Bengal Public Works Department, serving upon relief-works under the orders of the Revenue Department.

2. It is a matter for regret that Sergeant Green was not at an earlier date handed up. I might then have brought him to his senses and not troubled Government with a reference.

3. He has evidently been exceedingly careless and negligent, and he has also clearly been insubordinate in not attending to the orders issued to him. He has, I fear, been, in addition to this, untruthful.

4. Mr. Seton, lately officer in charge Cuddapah Range, gave me, just before he left the district, an unfavorable opinion of Sergeant Green.

5. I had, prior to the receipt of Mr. Gillon's letter, issued an order to transfer Serjeant Green to the Public Works Department for employment upon "professional agency works." I have therefore sent a copy of the report to the District Engineer.

6. Sergeant Green may do better if he is transferred to some post where he will be constantly under the eye of a strict officer belonging to his own department.

7. I think, however, that he has behaved so badly that even if he is, on account of the dearth of professional men, retained in the district, he should receive some severe punishment.

8. Had he been one of my Famine Superintendents I would have summarily dismissed him.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From H. GILLON, Esq., Divisional Relief Officer, Jammalamadugu, to J. F. PRICE, Esq., Acting Collector of Cuddapah, dated Mudanoor, 2nd October 1877, No. 74-1.

I HAVE the honor to submit the following report regarding the conduct of Sergeant Green, Overseer, Public Works Department.

2. Sergeant Green has since March been in charge of the Mudanoor-Jammalamadugu road. Since March the numbers on this road have been gradually increasing, and the work has been gradually drifting into confusion. When I visited the work about the middle of July I found no attempts were made to exact task-work, while the maistries were allowed to have their own way entirely. Nominal rolls were never written up in time, and sometimes, indeed, were not

written up till near the end of the week. New gangs came on to the work without asking any one's permission.

3. On the 17th July (No. 16-C) I gave specific orders to Sergeant Green to (1) turn off coolies belonging to other taluqs, (2) to turn off those who had other means of subsistence, (3) not to allow coolies to work near their villages, (4) to measure the work daily, and (5) to have the nominal rolls punctually written and checked. At the same time I put Mr. E. Norfor in charge of half of the road.

4. On again going over the road on the 27th July I found that Sergeant Green had, with Mr. Norfor's assistance, succeeded in introducing a little more order, but the work was still unmeasured, and nothing appeared to have been done towards turning off those belonging to other taluqs and those possessing other means of subsistence. This was reported to Mr. Weekes.

5. I next visited the road on the 7th August having heard that Sergeant Green had disappeared. It turned out that he went to Bellary on the 3rd August, without permission and without giving any notice to this office or to the taluq office, and did not return till the afternoon of the 6th August. Meantime the submission of the indent, and in consequence the payment of the coolies, were delayed, while the work was again thrown into utter confusion. I found no nominal rolls ready on Tuesday, the 7th. Sergeant Green's explanation was that a long time back he had asked Mr. Weekes permission to attend a Masonic Meeting in Bellary, which was to come off on some date not then fixed. Mr. Weekes said that he would not object to his attending the meeting. In reporting the facts to Mr. Weekes I expressed my strong disapproval of Sergeant Green's conduct, and in a demi-official communication remarked that it merited a reduction in grade. Mr. Weekes in passing orders expressed his disapproval of Sergeant Green's conduct, and remarked that had Sergeant Green asked for leave when the date of the meeting was fixed, as he ought to have done, he would probably have refused to grant it by reason of the confusion prevailing on the work. I still think that this was a most grave case of breach of duty meriting severe punishment.

6. I again visited the work on the 22nd ultimo, when I found that little improvement had taken place. Sergeant Green was just beginning to weed the coolies. Nominal rolls ought to have been checked that morning, whereas they were not all ready until noon on the 24th ultimo. No attempt had been made to measure the work done by each gang.

7. On the 12th ultimo forty gangs were transferred by Sergeant Green to collect metal on the Bellary road, near Kotasanikottapally, under Public Works Department Maistry Venkatasami Naidu. The latter admitted that there were numbers of coolies belonging to other taluqs on the works, but stated that he had received no orders from Sergeant Green not to admit them, or to turn off either this class of persons or those who were too old or ill for work, or who had other means of livelihood. Sergeant Green had unwisely allowed these gangs to work nearly five miles from his head-quarters, where it was not easy to visit them frequently. He does not indeed seem to have visited them once.

8. Sergeant Green has complained that he has had no Public Works Department Maistries to assist him. He has had six months, however, to teach those he had, and has been frequently told to do so. He does not seem, however, to have done anything in this direction.

9. Sergeant Green has never sent in a single weekly return, including the return showing the numbers at work on the last day of the week, since I assumed charge of the division. I have asked the Range Officer to stop the allowances of Sergeant Green until the required returns are submitted.

10. Sergeant Green has had, for the last two months at any rate, power to appoint and dismiss sub-maistries and head coolies, and to keep their pay in hand until they obeyed orders.

11. For the last two months Sergeant Green has not sent in the nominal rolls and accounts of the payments made by him. He threw the blame on the 1st-Class Revenue Inspector, saying that the latter had omitted to submit nominal rolls and accounts for the gangs he had paid, and that in consequence he (Sergeant Green) could not submit his own accounts. The Revenue Inspector was then called upon for an explanation, and the Deputy Collector has reported (1) that Sergeant Green has exonerated the Revenue Inspector from all blame; (2) that on the Revenue Inspector's proposing to deliver over his accounts to Sergeant Green, the latter directed him to keep them until his (Sergeant Green's) own accounts were ready. From this it appears that Sergeant Green's statement cannot be depended upon.

12. Sergeant Green's late writer, named Arland, charges him with withholding his travelling allowance for February, which was received by Sergeant Green on the 28th March last. On the 6th ultimo Sergeant Green was requested to immediately explain, but he has up to the date failed to do so. On asking him verbally a few days ago why he had not replied, his only explanation was that the writer knew very well that the money had not been received.

13. On the 3rd August the Range Officer requested Sergeant Green to report on what date writer Arland had resigned, and at the same time he sent the writer's service book for remarks to be entered. As no notice was taken of this letter, the Range Officer referred the matter to the District Engineer, and on the 30th August the papers came to me. They were forwarded on the

same day to Sergeant Green to give the information and explain the delay. Up to date he has taken no notice of the matter.

14. In conclusion I would remark that Sergeant Green has shown a great want of diligence and method, and a great deal of insubordination. He has neither attended properly to his work out of doors or to correspondence. He has no doubt had a difficult charge, but he could have shown far more satisfactory results had he exhibited in a moderate degree the qualities which officers in his position ought to possess. The Range Officer's opinion of him is, I believe, very unfavorable. I shall be glad to have a Sub-Overseer, or even a good Public Works Department Maistry, in his place.

No. 556.

ORDER THEREON, 15th October 1877, F. R. No. 2,365.

Miscellaneous.

THE Governor in Council regards with much displeasure Sergeant Green's neglect to keep his accounts and nominal

rolls in a proper manner. He will be directed to report himself to the Chief Engineer at Madras, and will be posted by that officer to the Presidency or Chingleput District, in view to his employment on the Cooum or Cochrane's Canal works, with a warning that any inattention, want of punctuality, or connivance on his part at neglect of duty by others will be followed by dismissal.

2. The Chief Engineer is requested to send a Sub-Overseer to take Sergeant Green's place.

(True Extract.)

L. F. Goodall

Additional Secretary to Government.

To the Collector of Cuddapah.
.. the Board of Revenue.
.. the Public Works Department.
.. the Accountant-General.

Exd. A. F. Goodall.

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Proceedings of the Madras Port.

Read endorsement of
the Collector of Cuddalore on the
following letter from the Divisional
Relief Officer, Jammalamadugu,
dated, 7 October 1877, No 241.

I have the honor to report
that Sergeant Green went into
Cuddalore on the 25th ultimo, with
my permission in order to obtain
medicine and a medical certificate.
He returned on the same day,
but without a medical certificate.
Nevertheless up to the night of the
1st instant when I met him
at the Muddanoor Railway
Station, he had neither visited
his coolies, nor done anything
towards making up his accounts.
or

or answering letters of long standing.

2. I now hear that he went into Buddapah, without leave on the 5th Instant

3. On the morning of the 4th Instant an urgent letter was sent to him directing him to at once, seal up his nominal rolls and accounts of payments for the last two months and send them along with the cash balance to the Dalung office. It was intimated that his failure to do this would be followed by suspension. He appears, however, to have taken no notice of the letter. He will neither make up his accounts himself, nor deliver up the papers in order that the Tahsildar may make

make them for him. He appears to be incorrigibly lazy and subordinate.

—
No 2272 Extra.

Submitted for the information and orders of Government, in continuation of my letter No 684, dated, 5 October 1877.

2. Sergeant Green's conduct is such, that I have considered it necessary, pending the receipt of instructions, to suspend him from duty. (R.C.)

3. I reached Buddanoor on the 6th Instant and, on making enquiries, learnt that Sergeant Green had gone to Buddapah on the night of the 5th and that he did not appear to have anything the matter with him. He

He left cookies unpaid, and
everything in great confusion.
The work superintended by
him is disgraceful.

Cuddapah
Collector's Office
Camp Jammalamadugu
October 9/77

Sd. J. F. Rice
Ag Collector

Order thereon 18 October 1877 No 2430

Sergeant Green should be
ordered ~~to~~ to Madras to give
any explanation he may have
to offer and the Public Works Dept.
will detail another man to
take his duty immediately.
The Collector's action is
meanwhile approved.

True Extract,

No 180 A

J. H. Faint

Asst Secy to Govt.

To
The Public Works Department

Telegram

To
The District Engineer Cuddapah.

Dated 20th October 1877.

Order Sergeant Green report
to me Madras. Replace him by good
substitute.

Signed/ C. A. Ford Colonel R.E.

Chief Engineer P.W.D.

C No 11442

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Cuddapah
Shelby

N^o 88 D.

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Divisional Relief Office
Camp Maideroor - 23rd October 1877

From

H. Gillen Esquire
Divisional Relief Officer
Jammalmadgoo

To

J. F. Price Esquire
Ag. Collector of Cuddapah

Sir

In continuation of this office N^o 74

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reporting the conduct of Sergeant Green overseer D.P.W.
late incharge of the Jammalmadgoo, Mooddanoor
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2. With reference to this explanation submitted
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that I was never aware that Sergeant Green was in the habit of going into Cuddapah to draw his pay and I do not believe that Mr. Weekes was aware of the fact either. Moreover as the Treasury is, I believe, closed on Sunday Sergeant Green probably went in on Saturday or stayed till Monday on these occasions. In fact you passed through Moodanoor on Saturday the 6th instant on which date Sergeant Green admits he was absent and from this it may be inferred that he was always absent on Saturday as well as Sunday. As he never, as far as can be ascertained, asked for leave to make these journeys he must be held to have made them without leave. Sergeant Green could easily have obtained a Transfer receipt on Jammahuzoor Treasury had he so wished while it would not have been difficult for him to have requested the Range Officer to make his bills payable on that Treasury.

3. I have not the slightest recollection of Sergeant Green ever reporting to me either in writing or verbally that he had gone to Cuddapah to fetch a man to shoe his horse. He certainly told me that the farrier I saw at Moodanoor had come on his account but I did not at all understand him to say that he had brought him from Cuddapah himself. He could surely have trusted his laciers to fetch a man to shoe his horse.

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to the effect that Sergeant Green, on a recent occasion, took a trip to Madras and back.

He certainly did not obtain leave to do so.

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8. Sergeant Green has not yet replied to the letters mentioned in paras 12 & 13 of this office N^o 748 above quoted. In fact for the last 3 months I doubt whether he has answered a single letter addressed to him. I have etc.

Signed H. Gillon
Divisional Relief Officer

(True Copy)
N^o 2430 Extra.

9/10/77

Communicated with copy of enclosure to the District Engineer in reference to this office N^o 2376 dated 5th October 1877.

2. The information received in regard to Sergeant Green's having been to Madras was from a reliable source.

Cuddapah Collectors Office
Vannipenta - 25th October 1877
Signed J. Fr. Price
Ag. Collector
(True Copy).

N^o 135

From Sergeant J. Green
overbur D.P.W.

I

The Divisional Relief Officer

Jammalmudogoo

Dated, Cuddapah 17th October 1877.

Sir

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Divisional Relief Office
23rd October 1877.

I have etc.
/Signed/ Sergeant Green
overing P.W.D.
(True copy)
/Signed/ A. Gellon
Divisional Relief Officer
J. F. Price
Ag. Collector.

/True Copies/

A. Hall.
Ag. District Engineer
of Cuddapah.

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Camp Gummunda - 5th November 1877.

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From

The District Engineer
of Cuddapah

I

The Chief Engineer
Public works Department
Madras

Sir

I have the honor to forward
for disposal the accompanying copy of
Endorsement dated 25th ultimo No. 2430
Extra received from the Acting Collector
relative to the conduct of Serjeant-Oversers
Green Overseers on famine works.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient servant
A. S. A. S.

Ag. District Engineer

Enclosure in letter No. 1960
dated the 5th November 1877.
From the District Engineer
Cuddapah.

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A. S. A.

Establishment

From

The District Engineer
Cuddapah

To

The Chief Engineer
Public Works Department
Madras.

Dated 5th / 8th } November 1877.
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No. 1960 Eee. 1.

Sergeant Green our senior
Famine Works. Forwarded
for disposal copy of
Endorsement No. 2430 Extra
dated the 25th October 1877
relative to the Conduct of

General
No 1731 W Public Works Department.
PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT. 12

Under date the 20 Nov 77
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Letter from the District Engineer } " 1960 " 5th November.
Cuddapah.

Communicated to
the District Engineer,
Presidency, under whose
orders Sergeant Green has
been placed.
2. Sergeant Hilton R.E.
has been posted to the
Cuddapah district in
the place of Sergeant
Green.

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Dist. Engr. Cuddapah ✓
Rev. (Famine) Dept. ✓
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Encl.

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Papers regarding the conduct
of command to the D.R.

Residency

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