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Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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General

Malabar District Engineer's Office
Calicut. 1st May 1877.

From,

The District Engineer
Malabar.

To,

The Chief Engineer
P. W. Madras.

Sir,

P. W. D. No. 223

d/30th Decr 1/76.

With reference to G.O. No. 2277
dated 11th Decr 1876, Major General
Walker in his remarks of 7th October 1876
states that North Wynad, as a sub-
Division, had the advantage of the super-
vision of Lt. Robson as Range Officer,
and of Mr. Supervisor Laperais as
Sub-Divisional Officer, but at the
date of the order, this was not so, as
I had relieved Lt. Robson of the charge
and given Mr. Laperais the Range,
since then the Taluk Officer has been
removed for employment on Famine
Relief Works in Kurnool, he was not
of much use when he was at his re-
gular post, nor do I look forward
to his return at any time with
any

very impatient. Mr. Lafrenais is a most promising hardworking intelligent Subordinate, who distinguished himself at the Engineering College, by passing out as Assistant Engineer, but I find that, in spite of the best will, and greatest exertions, he is overtaken and I am anxious to revert to the former arrangement, i.e. giving St. Robson charge of the Kurumbanaad Range as well as of the Cannanore, and posting Mr. Lafrenais to North Wynaad as Sub-Divisional Officer. I have not a fault to find with Mr. Lafrenais that he can help, nevertheless it is the case that, work as hard as he will, his work is falling into arrears, and I am most unwilling that so promising a Public Works Officer should be disheartened by failure at the commencement of his career.

2. I do not anticipate that it will be necessary to keep up this arrangement for any length of time but at present Mr. Lafrenais' want of experience, and absence of a good Taluk

Taluk Overseer, make it impossible to leave him in charge of the Range duties.

3. I have never concealed my opinion that the present arrangement of joining on a piece of Wynaad with a low country Taluk as a Range is decidedly objectionable, but I will not argue for a reversal of it, presuming that to do so would be but loss of time, but I will only add that it very much increases the difficulties of the Range Officer, who has such a charge, especially if he is not provided with thoroughly efficient subordinate assistance such as can seldom be got from new comers from the Engineering College. Mr. Lafrenais is in this predicament of having no Taluk Overseer in North Wynaad, and a new hand in Kurumbanaad.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedt. Servant

W. B. Kennedy, Esq.

District Engineer, Malabar

General

P.W.D.

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The District Engineer
Malabar

Dated 4th May 1877

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By Order of Mr. J. J. D. B. 1877

States that as the works of
the Hummibranaad Range are
falling into arrears, the District
Engineer wishes to appoint
St. Robert as Range Officer in
addition of the Pannare Range
and Mr. Lefman as Sub. En. Officer.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 14th May 1877

Read the following:-

From

The District Engineer

Malabar

(No 13 d/1st May 1877)

[15]

Colonel Kennedy's
proposals are approved.

2. The subject to which
the third para of his letter
refers has been already
sufficiently discussed,
and finally disposed
of by Government.

GAJ

7/5/77

H. Malabar ✓

Sp. W. Accts. ✓

A.P.

Dr. 24-5-77

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G. O. 11th May 1877, No. 53 W

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Reestablishment Col.
Kennedy's proposals to
appoint Mr. Dobson in charge
of Kumbhramad Range
as well as of the Cannanore
Range and to post Mr.
Lafrenais to North Division
as Sub Divisional Officer.
Approved

For Mr. P. P. P.

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and Mr. Lafrenais as Sub. Div. Officer