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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

25th February 1878, No. 913 W.

General.
Establishment.

Read the following paper :—

No. 271. From Colonel P. P. L. O'CONNELL, R.E., Superintending Engineer, Chingleput, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Camp, Red Hills, 5th February 1878, No. 499.

I HAVE the honor to bring to your notice that Manicka Mudali, Overseer of the Madras Municipality, and at present temporarily employed in the supervision of famine relief works in this district, was under arrest on a charge of homicide from the 24th November 1877 to the 10th January 1878. He was acquitted and returned to duty on the 13th ultimo. On a question submitted to me by the Range Officer as to whether any pay and allowance is to be drawn for the Overseer for the above period of his absence from duty, I referred the matter to the President of the Madras Municipality and enclose copy of his reply. Under the circumstances stated therein, and as the Overseer from the fact of his having been acquitted appears to be entitled to pay and allowance, under paragraph 14, Chapter III, Madras (old) Public Works Code, for the period of his absence on the charge in question, I request sanction for the payment of the same.

From L. R. BURROWS, Esq., Acting President, Municipal Commission, to Colonel P. P. L. O'CONNELL, R.E., Superintending Engineer, Chingleput, dated Madras, 28th January 1878, No. 1,160.

In reply to your letter of the 25th instant, No. 333, inquiring whether any pay and allowance is to be drawn for Overseer Manicka Mudali for the period during which he was under arrest, I have the honor to state that I am not aware of any rule against it. I consider that the case against him was concocted, and that he has been most cruelly treated. It is of course very difficult to say what took place, but the Court acquitted him of murder with which he was charged apparently on the dying declaration of the person whose death gave rise to the case. The Overseer himself says that he has nothing to do with the death, and knows nothing of it, and this statement I entirely believe. But supposing that the death was caused accidentally by the Overseer trying to stop the coolies from running away and leaving work which Mr. Pearson had ordered to be done, it seems very hard that in addition to a long term of imprisonment on a cruel and unjust charge the Overseer should also lose his pay. I gave the services of the man because he was one of the quickest and most zealous and intelligent of the Municipal Overseers, and it is mainly because he has done his work faithfully and has made those under him do the same, that he has made himself enemies and got himself into this trouble. Should there be any objection to giving the man his pay I feel sure that a representation of the matter to Government will elicit an order in his favor. For it would be most detrimental to the public service if during the pendency of charges such as this, to which any public servant who has to make himself unpopular in the execution of his duty is exposed in this country, the Government aggravated the man's misfortune by cutting his pay.

2 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, 25TH FEBRUARY 1878, No. 918 W.

No. 272. ORDER THEREON, 25th February 1878, No. 918 W.

FULL pay will be passed to Overseer Manicka Mudali for the period in question.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

To the Superintending Engineer, Chingleput.
" Financial Department.
" Examiner of Public Works Accounts.

Ed. S. T. Austin.

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PUBLIC WORKS.

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
CHINGLEPUT.

Dated February 25th,

Issued

Recd.

G. O. 25th February 1878, No. 1187.

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No. 271-272.

Overseer, Manicku Mudali, Chingleput District—Full pay to be paid to — for the period he was under arrest.

No. 499

Chingleput Superintending Engineer's Office,
Camp Road, Chingleput,
Saint Thomas Mount, Feb. 1878.

From

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER.

Chingleput.

To

The Chief Engineer,
Public Works Department.

Sir,

Enc:

1 Copy of a letter
from the Asst. Pres.
Municipal Comm.
No. 11604/28
Jan. 178.

I have the honor to bring to your notice that Manicku Mudali, Overseer of the Madras Municipality, and at present temporarily employed in the supervision of Famine Relief Works in this District, was under arrest on a charge of homicide from the 24th November 1877 to the 10th January 1878. He was acquitted and returned to duty on the 13th ultimo. On a question submitted to me by the Range Officer as to whether any pay and allowance is due drawn for the Overseer for the above period of his absence from duty, I referred the matter to the President of the Madras Municipality and enclose copy of his reply. Under the circumstances stated therein, and as the Overseer from the fact of his having been acquitted appears to be entitled to pay and allowance, under para 14 Chapter III of Madras (old) P.W. Code, for the period of his absence on the charge in question. I

request caution for the payment of the
same.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Yours most obedient servant

P. H. Connell Colonel R.B.
Super Engineer, Chingleput.

N. 1160
Municipal Commissioners Office
Esse Engineer's Department
Madras 28th January 1878

From
L. R. Burrow
By President, Municipal Commission.
To Colonel P. H. Connell R.B.
Super Engineer, Chingleput. 918

Sir,
In reply to your letter of the 26th inst. N. 333 enquiring whether any pay and allowance is due drawn for Overseer Mahika Mudaly for the period during which he was under arrest I have the honor to state that I am not aware of any rule against it. I consider that the case against him was concocted and that he has been most cruelly treated. It is, of course, very difficult to say what took place, but the Court acquitted him of murder with which he was charged apparently on the dying declaration of the person whose death gave rise to the case. The Overseer himself says that he has nothing to do with the death and knows nothing of it, and this statement I entirely believe. But supposing that the death was caused accidentally by the Overseer, trying to stop the coolies from running away and leaving work which Mr. Pearson had ordered to be done, it seems very hard that in addition to a long term of imprisonment on a cruel and unjust charge the Overseer should also lose his pay. I gave the services of the man because he was one of the quickest and most zealous and intelligent of the Municipal Overseers, and it is mainly because he has done his work faithfully and has made those under him do the same, that he has made himself enemies.

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I have &c

Signed A. R. Burrows.
As President M.C.
(True copy)

Wm. Colwell Esq.
Superintendent, Chingleput.

N^o 918 W Public Works Department. 3
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Instally.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 25th Feb 1878

Read the following:—

Letter from the Suptg Engr Chingleput (H. C. N^o 499 d/5th February 1878)

Full pay will be passed to Overseer Manicka Mudali for the period in question.

[Signature]

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District Engineer Chingleput. — 16
Financial Department. — 17
Examiner, P.W. Accounts. — 17

[Signatures]

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From the Sup^y. Engineer
Chungking D^y

No. 499

Dated 6th } Feb^y 1878
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Relief Works - Requests
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for the period he was
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For remarks.

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EXAMINER, P. W. ACCOUNTS.

Madras, 18TH. FEBRUARY 187 .

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To *Mr. S. C. Chingapat*

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