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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT. 792
ESTABLISHMENT.
General.

Fort William, January 25, 1878.

Copy of the following forwarded to the Local Governments and Administrations and Officers noted on the margin, for communication to all Officers of Royal (late Indian) Artillery and Engineers serving under their orders in continuation of Public Works Department Circular No. 89, dated 15th December 1876.

The Governments of Madras and Bombay, in the Public Works Department, General, Irrigation and Railway Branches.
The Governments of Bengal, North Western Provinces and Oudh and Punjab, in the Public Works Department, General and Irrigation Branches.
The Chief Commissioners of the Central Provinces, British Burmah, Mysore and Coorg, and Assam.
The Resident at Hyderabad.
The Agents of the Governor General for Central India and Esjputana.
The Superintendent of Port Blair, and Chief Commissioner, Andaman and Nicobar Islands.
The Accountant General, Public Works Department.
The Inspector General of Military Works.
The Directors of State Railways, Central, Western and North-Eastern Systems.
The Director of State Railway Stores.
The Consulting Engineers to the Government of India for Guaranteed Railways, Calcutta, Lahore and Lucknow.
The Director General of Telegraphs.
The Director-in-Chief, Indo-European Telegraph.
The Director, Persian Telegraph.
The Deputy Director, Persian Gulf Telegraph.
The Superintending Engineer, Simla Imperial Circle.

[By order,]

W. L. Simpson

Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 293 M, dated 25th October 1877.

From—The Secretary of State for India,

To—The Government of India.

Pay and Allowances.

I have received and considered in Council your Excellency's military letter No. 100 of 1877, submitting the decision passed by your Government on certain questions raised in connection with the election by officers of the late Indian Artillery and Engineers for local or general service.

2. Your Government also beg to be favoured with an authoritative ruling on the question whether officers of the Indian Artillery who elect for local service should not be considered in every respect as officers of the Indian Army, and entitled to the rights and privileges of other officers of that Army, as also to claim to elect the rules of 1854, 1868, or 1875, their furlough applications being disposed of by Government in the same manner as in the case of officers of the staff corps or Indian Army.

3. In respect to the decisions passed by your Government, I approve of those numbered 1, 2, and 3 in your Secretary's letter No. 611 of 15th November 1876. With regard to the 4th, I consider that, as it was known that the whole question of promotion and retirement of officers of Her Majesty's British Forces was under consideration, the language of your decision should have been more guarded. I do not, however, consider it necessary

By The Secy to the Govt of India
Public Works Department Branch

that your Lordship should notify any change in its terms, as the Royal Warrant recently issued will show sufficiently to what extent change in regard to the employment and promotion of officers in the cadres of the late Indian Artillery is contemplated.

4. With regard to the point on which you request an authoritative decision, I observe some indefiniteness in the question proposed, as it seems to indicate a claim for the officers in question to partake of all the conditions of service of local officers, in addition to the claim to choice of furlough regulations, and to form a distinct line of demarcation between these officers and those who have elected for general service.

5. I do not consider that any such distinction should be made. The officers of the Royal Artillery of the late Indian cadres, who elect for local service, differ in no respect from the other officers of the corps in regard to service, except that, whereas one portion of the officers of the old Indian cadres have elected to serve anywhere, the other portion, availing themselves of the option afforded them, elect to serve Her Majesty in India only.

6. There appears to me to be no ground in this for drawing any further distinction between the officers of these cadres.

No. 374, dated 9th January 1878.

Endorsed by Military Department.

Copy of the above forwarded to the Public Works Department for information, with reference to Military Department endorsement No. 8, dated the 2nd April 1877.

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
ESTABLISHMENT.
General.

To

Circular No. 7 Public Works.

Dated January 25, 1878.

Received

Decision of Her Majesty's Secretary of State
on the question of pay, allowances and pension
of Officers of the Royal (late Indian) Artillery
and Engineers.

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Port Welbiana, January 25, 1878.

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The Chief Commissioners of the Central Provinces, British Burmah, Mysore and Coorg, and Assam.
The Resident at Hyderabad.
The Agents of the Governor General for Central India and Rajpootana.
The Superintendent of Port Blair, and Chief Commissioner, Andaman and Nicobar Islands.
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The Superintending Engineer, Simla Imperial Circle.

[By order,]

Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 203 M, dated 25th October 1877.
From—The Secretary of State for India,
To—The Government of India.

Pay and Allowances.

I have received and considered in Council your Excellency's military letter No. 100 of 1877, submitting the decision passed by your Government on certain questions raised in connection with the election by officers of the late Indian Artillery and Engineers for local or general service.

2. Your Government also beg to be favoured with an authoritative ruling on the question whether officers of the Indian Artillery who elect for local service should not be considered in every respect as officers of the Indian Army, and entitled to the rights and privileges of other officers of that Army, as also to claim to elect the rules of 1854, 1868, or 1875, their furlough applications being disposed of by Government in the same manner as in the case of officers of the staff corps of Indian Army.

3. In respect to the decisions passed by your Government, I approve of those numbered 1, 2, and 3 in your Secretary's letter No. 521 of 15th November 1876. With regard to the 4th, I consider that, as it was known that the whole question of promotion and retirement of officers of Her Majesty's British Forces was under consideration, the language of your decision should have been more guarded. I do not, however, consider it necessary

The Secretary of the Govt. of Madras
P. W. D. Department

that your Lordship should notify any change in its terms, as the Royal Warrant recently issued will show sufficiently to what extent change in regard to the employment and promotion of officers in the cadres of the late Indian Artillery is contemplated.

4. With regard to the point on which you request an authoritative decision, I observe some indefiniteness in the question proposed, as it seems to indicate a claim for the officers in question to partake of all the conditions of service of local officers, in addition to the claim to choice of furlough regulations, and to form a distinct line of demarcation between these officers and those who have elected for general service.

5. I do not consider that any such distinction should be made. The officers of the Royal Artillery of the late Indian cadres, who elect for local service, differ in no respect from the other officers of the corps in regard to service, except that, whereas one portion of the officers of the old Indian cadres have elected to serve anywhere, the other portion, availing themselves of the option afforded them, elect to serve Her Majesty in India only.

6. There appears to me to be no ground in this for drawing any further distinction between the officers of these cadres.

No. 374, dated 9th January 1878.

Endorsed by Military Department.

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
ESTABLISHMENT.
General.

To

Circular No. 7 Public Works.

Dated January 23, 1878.

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Decision of Her Majesty's Secretary of State
on the question of pay, allowances and pension
of Officers of the Royal (late Indian) Artillery
and Engineers.

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
ESTABLISHMENT.
General.

Fort William, January 25, 1878.

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The Governments of Bengal, North Western Provinces and Oudh and Punjab, in the Public Works Department, General and Irrigation Branches.
The Chief Commissioners of the Central Provinces, British Burmah, Mysore and Coorg, and Assam.
The Resident at Hyderabad.
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The Director, Persian Telegraph.
The Deputy Director, Persian Gulf Telegraph.
The Superintending Engineer, Simla Imperial Circle.

[By order,]

W. Simpson
Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 293 M, dated 24th October 1877.
From—The Secretary of State for India,
To—The Government of India.

Pay and Allowances.

I have received and considered in Council your Excellency's military letter No. 100 of 1877, submitting the decision passed by your Government on certain questions raised in connection with the election by officers of the late Indian Artillery and Engineers for local or general service.

2. Your Government also beg to be favoured with an authoritative ruling on the question whether officers of the Indian Artillery who elect for local service should not be considered in every respect as officers of the Indian Army, and entitled to the rights and privileges of other officers of that Army, as also to claim to elect the rules of 1854, 1863, or 1875, their furlough applications being disposed of by Government in the same manner as in the case of officers of the staff corps or Indian Army.

3. In respect to the decisions passed by your Government, I approve of those numbered 1, 2, and 3 in your Secretary's letter No. 621 of 15th November 1876. With regard to the 4th, I consider that, as it was known that the whole question of promotion and retirement of officers of Her Majesty's British Forces was under consideration, the language of your decision should have been more guarded. I do not, however, consider it necessary

The Secy of the Govt. of Madras
to the Dep't Railway Branch

that your Lordship should notify any change in its terms, as the Royal Warrant recently issued will show sufficiently to what extent change in regard to the employment and promotion of officers in the cadres of the late Indian Artillery is contemplated.

4. With regard to the point on which you request an authoritative decision, I observe some indefiniteness in the question proposed, as it seems to indicate a claim for the officers in question to partake of all the conditions of service of local officers, in addition to the claim to choice of furlough regulations, and to form a distinct line of demarcation between these officers and those who have elected for general service.

5. I do not consider that any such distinction should be made. The officers of the Royal Artillery of the late Indian cadres, who elect for local service, differ in no respect from the other officers of the corps in regard to service, except that, whereas one portion of the officers of the old Indian cadres have elected to serve anywhere, the other portion, availing themselves of the option afforded them, elect to serve Her Majesty in India only.

6. There appears to me to be no ground in this for drawing any further distinction between the officers of these cadres.

No. 374, dated 9th January 1878.

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
ESTABLISHMENT.
General.

To

W. J. J. J. J.

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Dated January 25, 1878.

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