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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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General.
Establishment.

No. 232 W.

No. 189.

FROM

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,
Public Works Department,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
Public Works Department.

SIR,—In paragraph 31, Section II, Chapter I, of the Government of India Code, it is prescribed that of the total number of Assistant Engineers under each local Government, and under the local Administrations taken together, one-third, adding one for a fraction of two-thirds, will be Assistant Engineers of the 1st Grade, the remainder will be of the 2nd and 3rd Grades and Apprentices.

2. One-third of the number of Assistant Engineers allowed will thus be of the 1st Grade, and two-thirds will be of the 2nd and 3rd Grades and Apprentices. No other restriction is imposed, and it is understood that, provided the proportions as thus laid down are duly maintained, a local Government is free to alter the numbers in the lower grades as circumstances may require, within the limits of the total number of Assistant Engineers fixed for these three grades, which as above stated is two-thirds of the aggregate.

3. I am to inquire whether this interpretation of the rules is concurred in by the Government of India.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

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

FORT ST. GEORGE,
18th January 1879.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.
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GENERAL.
ESTABLISHMENT.

Govt. of [1879] Madras,

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

The SECRETARY to the
GOVERNMENT of INDIA.

Dated January 18th.

Issued

Recd. Encl.

G. O., 18th January 1879, No. 232 W.

JANUARY.

No. 189.

Inquiring whether certain interpretation of the rules relative to the apportionment of the number of Assistant Engineers in the several grades is concurred in by the Government of India.

G.W.1

232/3.

As it now stands it is 15 – 1st
22 – 2d
7 – 3d
44

Prop.
15 – 1st
24 – 2d
4 – 3d
43

This proposal was a reduction of one altogether but what is now asked is power to vary the numbers so as

With reference to His Grace's remark, the Secretary would point out that although it may as a rule be more advisable to maintain much such a proportion in each of the three grades (2nd, 3rd and apprentice) as now exists, and thus to prevent the stagnation which His Grace fears might ~~sometime occur~~ the

Local Government should nevertheless have full power to exercise their discretion in the matter.

This Government has hitherto maintained the principle which it is now desired to have recognised by the Government of India.

It will be seen by Colonel Chesney's demi-official dated 26 Feby. 1876 to General Walker that he interpreted the rules in the same way, his experience as Accountant General to the Government of India rendering his opinion in this matter of some weight.

The total number of Assistant Engineers allowed to Madras is 44. One third of these, or 15 (adding 1 for the fraction of two-thirds) are of the First Grade, leaving 29 for the second and third grades, i.e. 22 in the second grade and 7 in the third.

Under the Reorganisation it is proposed to allow 24 in the second grade and 4 in the third, and thus reduce the aggregate by 1.

EKF 10/1

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permission to leave

15 – 1st
28 – 2d
0 – 3d
43

in fact to abolish the 3d without any corresponding saving but an increase of expenditure – & a corresponding expansion of the second without increase of pay – which officers will go through – & I fail to see the advantage

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I have no objection to omitting from the draft letter to G. I. the passage excised by H.G.

All that I contemplate is to ascertain from G. I. whether we still have a discretionary power as to distribution between 2d & 3d grades, or are concluded by an existing distribution wh. was once reported to G. I. as actual at the moment. [illegible] Govt. to determine what the proportion in each grade shd. be at any time

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P. W. D.

Note. 23/7

The Secretary begs to circulate the accompanying draft order for approval in connection with the correspondence which has arisen out of Lieut: Love's appointment to the Department as a 2nd Grade Assistant Engineer - It will be observed that although the appointment has now been admitted, the principle on which it was originally made is still a matter of contention - It is desirable therefore that an authoritative ruling

MH

R.P.

Cr H.1.79 R18-1

should be obtained.

Hon W. Huddleston
Hon S F. Carmichael
His Ex. the Governor

E A Ward Col: R.E.
Secy: to Govt. P.W.D.

20 Decr. 1878.

Lr. R.A.S. C. 9812 Recd 11.1.79 RB.

February 26th 1876

THE ROYAL INDIAN ENGINEERING COLLEGE
MENTE MANUQUE

232/6

My dear Colonel Walker

I had a letter from young Bulton by the last mail; he appears very uneasy at the prospect which he says is before him of being for 2 or 3 years on the 3rd grade of assistant, and so being superseded by one or more succeeding batches of Coopers Hill men. I had told him & the other two men who were in the same predicament with him, that I believed the different Govts were able under the rules to promote a Third grade Assistant to the Second grade to which disqualifies a man for appointment, and but whatever may be the standard fixed, there will always be found one or two out of a large number who will run the risk of shipwreck by steering too close to the reef. But of course the absolute difference between the man who just fails — in only one of a great many subjects — & the man who just succeeds in passing, is practically nil as regards efficiency either intellectually or in any other respect. Indeed Mulcane was one of the cleverest men of his year, and

Boulton has the makings of an excellent officer. They have been very severely punished by going out in the lower grade at all, & I think it would be a misfortune if they were to be superseded by the next batch of Coopers Hill men. I would take the liberty therefore of expressing a strong hope that it may be found practicable to restore these three men to an equality with the rest of their batch — supposing of course that they have given satisfaction in other respects — before the succeeding instalment of Coopers Hill men reach India next autumn. A young relative of mine at any time, without reference to the occurrence of vacancies in the latter — & this certainly was the rule when I was in India — & that I hoped they would get their advancement in a few months; but he seems to think this is not so, and has asked me to interest myself in the matter. I have replied that it is one in which I could not possibly move officially; all I could do would be to write & try to interest you in this case, which I promised to do.

You will readily understand the necessity in a place like this for establishing a standard of qualification of some sort, failure to come up

THE ROYAL INDIAN ENGINEERING COLLEGE
MENTE MANUQUE

lately appointed to the Punjab in the 3rd grade got his promotion in a few months, without reference to any vacancy; he was nothing like so well qualified as these men are. 732/8

I am in hopes from the present temper of the P.W. Committee, that the wretched Troop Ship arrangement will be knocked on the head. Private.

Believe me
Yours very truly
George Chesney

Colonel Walker R.E.

should be obtained. Hon W. H. Mast

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Extract from Para: 31. Sec: II. Chapter I of the Government of India Code.

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Of the total number of Assistants under each Local Government, and under the Local Administrations taken together, one third, adding one for a fraction of two-thirds, will be Assistant Engineers of the 1st Grade, the remainder will be of the 2nd and 3rd Grades and Apprentices.

Letter from Lieut. H. D. Love R.E. dated 21 Sept. 1875.

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Enqr. P.W.D. If there is a vacancy duly admit him, if not, amongst the returning Coopers Hill men supernumerary.

FOR ORDERS.

Lieut. Love R.E. applies for employment in the Public Works Department. There being now 3 vacancies in the Assistant Engineer grade, the Chief Engineer recommends his appointment as Assistant Engineer, 2d grade, and in accordance with G.O. no 802 dated 22d March 1875 that he be entered in the Public Works List next below Mr. C. H. Burlton, Assistant Engineer.

The

I thought the vacancies in the Establishment of Assist. Engineers had been filled up – but if there is a vacancy Mr Love may be brought in I ~~think~~ –

Of course there can be no personal objection to Lt. Love's admission

The Chief Engineer solicits early orders on the subject as intimation has been privately received from the District Engineer, Malabar, that Capt. Bailey in charge of the South Malabar Division has met with a serious accident requiring his immediate relief which it is proposed shall be effected by appointing Lt. Dobson RE to take immediate charge of the Division, Lieut Love RE being posted to Cannanore to take Lt. Dobson's place.

[illegible] Col RE
Ch Engr & Secy to Govt
PWD

28th Sept 78

FOR ORDERS.

His Exc the Governor
Hon W. Hudleston
Hon Sir W. Robinson KCSI
Hon D. F. Carmichael

Ins

G.O. No 3883 W-4-10
to the Secy

Seen
2/10 W

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P.W.D.

To C

Notification 2 32/11

TO W.

YOU WILL OBSERVE FROM THE ACCOMPANYING STATEMENT THAT THERE ARE NO VACANCIES IN THE 1ST. AND 2ND. GRADES OF ASST. ENGINEERS TO ADMIT OF LIEUT. LOVE'S APPOINTMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT AS ASST. ENGINEER 2ND. GRADE.

WHEN THE REORGANIZATION OF THE P.W.D. IN THIS PRESIDENCY IS SANCTIONED AND THE PRESENT NO. OF ASST. ENGINEERS 2ND. GRADE INCREASE BY 2 BY REDUCING THE NO. OF 3RD. GRADE BY 4, AS PROPOSED, THE APPOINTMENT OF LIEUT. LOVE WILL BE ADMISSIBLE. BUT UNTIL THEN THE APPOINTMENT OF LIEUT. LOVE AS A SUPERNUMERARY IN THE 2ND. GRADE WILL REQUIRE THE SANCTION OF THE GOVT. OF INDIA.

L. C.
16/10.

To C

Your list shows that there are only 24 effective men in the 2d & 3d grades against 29 allowed. Hence it is considered that there is room for Lt Love in the 2d grade

W
21.10.78.

To Secy 18-10-78

R 4/10
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Adverting to the Notification of the Military Department placing the services of Lieut. H. D. Love R.E. at the disposal of the Public Works Deptt, that Officer is brought on the permanent strength of the Deptt as an Assistant Engineer 2nd Grade and posted to the Malabar District.

4.10.78.

Copy of the above forwarded to the

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District Engineer Malabar
with intimation that
Lieut: Dobson R.E. may
be instructed to relieve
Captain Bailey who is
understood to be ill
and that Lt. Love may
take Lt. Dobson's place.

4.10.78

Lt. H. D. Love R.E.
D. E. Malabar. D

m s despd. 4/10/78.
+ m s despd 5/10/78.

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To Acty 30-10-78

29/10

T. O.

To
C.

Lt Love's appointt. to the 2 Grade was based on Govt of India Code Chap. 1 Sec ii para 31. — (dash 5 lines) —
The number of Apprentice and Engineers of the 2 & 3 Grade taken together is below the sanctioned strength hence Lt Loves appt to the 2 Grade is in order —

4.11.70

5/11

I AM VERY DOUBTFUL WHETHER [illegible] CODE I.II. [illegible] BEARS THE MEANING YOU ATTACH TO IT, MORE ESPECIALLY WHEN READ WITH THE LATTER END OF PARA I OF LETTER FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA NO. 401.E-G DATED 18TH. MARCH 1873, AND WITH THE FACT THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HAVE ESPECIALLY SANCTIONED CERTAIN NUMBERS IN EACH GRADE OF ASSISTANT ENGINEERS AS THEY UNDOUBTEDLY HAVE DONE. FURTHERMORE, YOUR READING IS CONTRARY TO PARA 5 OF LETTER FROM THIS GOVERNMENT TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA REGARDING THE REORGANIZATION. IF THIS GOVERNMENT HAS THE POWER OF ALTERING THE NUMBERS IN THE 2ND. AND 3RD. GRADES, WHERE [illegible] THE NECESSITY OF APPLYING TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FOR SANCTION TO A CHANGE OF NUMBERS ?

2. THE CLAUSE OF THE CODE REFERRED TO DEALS WITH THE RECOGNIZED NUMBERS IN EACH GRADE; IN OTHER WORDS IT CONTAINS INSTRUCTIONS TO GUIDE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN DRAWING OUT PROPOSALS FOR CHANGES OF THE PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT. IT SAYS THAT IN SUCH AND SUCH GRADES, THERE MUST BE SUCH AND SUCH PROPORTIONS, AND IT IS NO USE SUBMITTING PROPOSALS EXCEPT IN THESE RECOGNIZED PROPORTIONS. AS REGARDS 2ND. AND 3RD. GRADE ASSISTANT AND APPRENTICE ENGINEERS, IT SAYS THERE IS NO RECOGNIZED PROPORTION, AND HENCE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS CAN SUBMIT WHAT PROPOSALS THEY LIKE REGARDING THE NUMBERS IN EACH GRADE, BUT THERE IS NOT A WORD TO SHEW THAT AFTER THE NUMBERS HAVE ONCE BEEN SANCTIONED THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT HAS THE POWER OF ALTERING THE NUMBER SANCTIONED WITHOUT REFERENCE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

3. AT PRESENT, I THINK THAT THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT HAS NO SUCH POWER, AND ON THIS POINT, I WOULD REFER YOU TO THE PAPERS PRINTED WITH G.O. NO.2,907 OF AUGUST 30TH.1876; TO THE PAPERS REFERRED TO IN MY FIRST PARA AND TO THE FACT THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HAVE SPECIFICALLY SANCTIONED CERTAIN NUMBERS IN EACH GRADE OF ASSISTANT ENGINEERS.

4. I SHOULD THEREFORE BE OBLIGED BY THESE REMARKS BEING CIRCULATED TO THE MEMBERS OF GOVERNMENT BEFORE THE NOTIFICATION REGARDING LT. LOVE'S APPOINTMENT IS INSERTED IN THE GAZETTE. UNLESS IT BE DECIDED THAT LT. LOVE IS TO BE APPOINTED TO THE DEPARTMENT IN ANTICIPATION OF THE APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TO THE REORGANIZATION SCHEME. IN THAT CASE, THERE BEING NO DEPARTURE FROM PRINCIPLES, THIS OFFICE WILL RAISE NO FURTHER OBJECTION TO THE PROPOSED NOTIFICATION.

7/11
C.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Office Note from the Examiner, P.W. Accounts, dated 7th November 1878.

232/19.

FOR ORDERS.

The Chief Engineer does not admit the correctness of the Examiner's view on the subject. Para 4 of the letter to the Government of India regarding the Reorganization of the Department was drafted by the Examiner in his function of Financial adviser. Public Works Dept. Under the circumstances it is proposed that Lieut Love RE be brought on the strength of the Department in accordance to para 4 of

I agree

I do not think Lt. Love

of the Examiner's note.

FOR ORDERS.

E A Wood Col R.E.
Chief Engr & Secy to Govt
P.W.D.

Cannot be brought on as proposed – He cannot be a supernumerary officer in the grade at once we do not want to increase our numbers – He must wait a vacancy

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Submitting to Council
[illegible]

Recd 25/12
Cn 8-11-78 229-11- Recd 2/12

List of vacancies in the Engineer Establishment of the Public Works Department on the 1st September 1878

2 2/15

Class	Grade	Sanctioned Regular	Sanctioned Extra	Sanctioned Total	Names	Effective Regular	Effective Extra	Effective Total	Non effective	Difference More	Difference Less	Remarks
Superintending Engineers	1st	2	–	2	Farewell Colonel Staff Corps W.T.F.	1	.	1				
					Vacant						1	[illegible]
		2	–	2		1	.	1	.	.	1	
	2nd	2	.	2	Beatty Lieutenant Colonel R.E.				1			[illegible]
					Vacant						1	
		2	–	2		–	–	–	1	–	1	
	3rd	1	–	1	[illegible]	.	.	.	1	–	1	[illegible]
G.O. 1142 2/7/[illegible]					Mobrly Colonel R.E. F. J.	1	–	1				Officiating
					Prendergast Lieutenant Colonel R.E. H.C.	1	–	1		1		
		1	–	1		2	–	2	–	1		
		5	–	5	Total	3	.	3	1	1	2	
Executive Engineers	1st	6	2	8	[illegible]				1			[illegible]
					[illegible]				1			[illegible]
					[illegible]							[illegible]
					[illegible]				1			[illegible]
G.O. 1095. 16/4/72. 3379. 2/12/74					[illegible]							[illegible]
					Chisholm Mr R. F.		1	1				Architect
					Hunter Lieutenant Colonel R.E. J.A.	1	–	1				Supernumerary Returned from furlo in Jan/78
					Harington Mr H.S. M.I.C.E.	1	–	1				
					Rundall Mr J.W. M.I.C.E.	1	–	1				
					[illegible]				1			[illegible]
					Mead Major R.E. H.R.	1	–	1				
					Smalley Major R.E. H.	1	–	1				
					Montgomerie Major R.E. P.	1	–	1				
					Wood Major R.E. H.W.	1	–	1				Supernumerary
G.O. 2410 W. 7/6/78					Burton Major R.E.	1	–	1				on Special duty in Bengal
		6	2	8		8	1	9	3	1	.	

	Sanctioned					Effective			Non	Difference		
Class	Grade	Regular	Extra	Total	Names	Regular	Extra	Total	Effective	Non	Life	Remarks
Executive Engineers	2nd	8	1	9	Vibart Major R.E. H. M.	1	-	1				
					Leggatt Mr W. B. A.I.C.E.	1	-	1				
					Pennycuick Major R.E. J.	1		1				
					Vonstaveren Mr T.		1	1				
					Thompson Major R.E. Ross	1	-	1				
					Morant Major R.E. J. L. L.	1	-	1				
					[illegible]				1			[illegible]
					Walch Mr G. T. M.I.C.E.	1	-	1				
					Kennedy Lieutenant Colonel Infy R. B.	1	-	1				
					Brockman Captain R.E. R. R. E.	1	-	1				
		8	1	9		8	1	9	1	.	.	
	3rd	9	-	9	O'Ratigan Mr P.	1	-	1				[illegible]
					Paynter Mr L. W.	1	-	1				
					O'Shaughnessy Mr J.	1	-	1				
					Harris Mr T. G.	1	-	1				
					Audry Captain R.E. A.	1	-	1				
					[illegible] Mr R. E.				1			[illegible]
					Nordman Mr R. F.	1	-	1				
					Bailey Captain & Deputy Comy H.	1	-	1				
					Clarke Captain R.E. G. C.	1	-	1				
					Smith Captain R.E. A. C.				1			[illegible]
					[illegible]				1			
					[illegible] D McPhail				1			
					Hannan Mr J.	1	-	1				
		9	-	9		9	-	9	4	1	.	
	4th	11	1	12	Lowry Mr R. J.	1	-	1				
					Legolett Mr G. R.	1	-	1				
					Norris Mr W. R.	1	-	1				
					Morris Captain R.E. R. F.	1	-	1				
					Wybrow Mr G. D.	1	-	1				
					Peters Mr C. J.	1	.	1				
					[illegible]				1			
					Grant Mr J. D. A.I.C.E.	1	-	1				
					Brickwell Mr F.	1	-	1				
					[illegible]							[illegible]
					[illegible]							
					Bell Mr J. M.	1		1				
					[illegible]				1			[illegible]
					Smart Lieutenant R.E. A. W.	1	-	1				
					Rawson Lieutenant R.E. C. C.	1	.	1				
					Dorward Lieutenant R.E. A. R. F.	1	.	1				
					Dobson Lieutenant R.E. A. E.	1	-	1				
		11	1	12		13	.	13	2	2		
		34	4	38	Total Executive Engineers	38	2	40	10	4	-	

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	Sanctioned					Effective			Non	Difference		
Class	Grade	Regular	Extra	Total	Names	Regular	Extra	Total	Effective	Non	Life	Remarks
Assistant Engineers	1st	15		15	Smither Lieutenant & Deputy Comr T.	1	-	1				
					[illegible] Lieutenant & Assistant Comr [illegible]				1			[illegible]
					Grimes Mr J. H.	1	-	1				
					Lyon Mr H.	1	-	1				
					Henderson Lieutenant R.E. C. B.	1	-	1				
					Boddy Lieutenant R.E. O. V.	1	-	1				
					Hunter Mr A. W.	1	-	1				
					Langley Lieutenant R.E. L.	1	-	1				
					Romilly Lieutenant R.E. F. J.	1	-	1				
					Jackson Lieutenant & Asst Comr W.	1	-	1				
					Nofer Mr C. H. T.	1	-	1				
					Hamilton Lieutenant R.E. R. E.	1	-	1				
					Baddeley Lieutenant R.E. W. L. C.	1		1				
					De Winton Mr W. B.	1	-	1				
					Plummer Lieutenant & Deputy Asstt Comr C. C.	1	-	1				
					Vincent Mr C.	1	-	1				
						15	-	15	1	-	-	
		15	-	15								
	2nd	22	1	23	Montserratt Mr W. M.	1	-	1				
					S. Subroyachari B.C.E.	1	-	1				
					Garrett Mr A. H.	1	-	1				
					De Morgan Mr W. C.	1	-	1				
					Davidson Mr J. P.	1	-	1				
					Johnston Mr J. C.	1	-	1				
					Hutchings Mr H. B.	1	.	1				
					Bird Mr W. L.	1	.	1				
					Smith Mr G. M.	1	.	1				
					Taylor Mr H. S.	1	.	1				
					Russell Mr A. S.	1	.	1				
					Paul Mr J. E.	1	.	1				
					Corless Mr G. P.	1	.	1				
					Traill Mr J.	1	.	1				
					Maclean Mr A. D.	1	.	1				
					Burlton Mr G. H. B.	1	.	1				
					Evans Mr H. E. G.	1	.	1				
					Nesher Mr C. J.	1	.	1				
					Manson G. E.	1	.	1				
					Malet Mr A. A. G.	1	.	1				
					[illegible] Mr [illegible]							[illegible]
					Young Mr B. H.	1	.	1				
					Lambert Mr G. B.	1	.	1				
					Lieutenant & Deputy Assistant Comr of J. Joyce	.	1	1				Godavery Workshops
						23	1	24	-	1	-	
		22	1	23								
	3rd	7	-	7	Ruthnasabapathy Pillai N. B.A. & B.C.E.	1	.	1				
					6 vacancies						6	
						1	.	1	-	.	6.	
		7	-	7								
		44	1	45	Total Assistant Engineers	39	1	40	-	1	6.	

L Conway-Gordon

Examiner P.W. Accounts and Major R.E.

M.S. 16/10

23/17.

Letter from Lieut H. D. Love R.E. dated 21st Septr 1878,
Office Note from Examiner P.W. Accts — 16th Oct —
— Do — to — Do — 21st Oct —
— Do — from — Do — 29th Oct —
— Do — to — Do — 4th Novr —
— Do — from — Do — 7th Novr —

FOR ORDERS.

Circulated to the Hon'ble W. Hudleston for final orders.

The Chief Engineer contends that a vacancy does exist under the operation of the provision of the Govt. of India Code, Chap I Section II, para 31 (Extract in the file). The Examiner is willing to admit the appointment under the special circumstances described in para 4 of his Office Note dated 29th Oct 1878. If the Government accept the Examiner's

The further vacancies remove the difficulty Sanctioned.

R.S.

interpretation of the orders of the Govt. of India on the subject they will surrender the principle which the Chief Engineer has contended for.

It has to be decided then on what grounds Lieut: Love's appointment is considered to have been made.

Since this discussion arose, two other vacancies have occurred

(1) by Mr de Morgan's reduction to 3rd grade Assistant Engineer, and

(2) by dismissal of Mr Hunter, Asst: Engr 1st grade

[illegible] Col.
Deputy Chief Engineer and
Under Secty to Govt P.W.D.

2 Dec 1878

18-9-78. No 3675W.
30-8-76. " 2297
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FOR ORDERS.

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G.O. No 232 W—
18-1-

To C

It is presumed that you will now have no further objection to the issue of the Notification.

[illegible]
9.12.78

TO W.

THE FURTHER TWO VACANCIES REFFERED TO BY THE CHIEF ENGINEER HAVE REMOVED THE DIFFICULTY THAT PREVIOUSLY EXISTED, AND CONSEQUENT THIS OFFICE WILL MAKE NO FURTHER O JECTION TO THE ISSUE OF THE NOTIFICATION REGARDING LT. LOVE'S APPOINTMENT AS ASST. ENGINEER 2ND. GRADE. THE DRAFT NOTIFICATION DATED 4TH. OCTOBER 1878 HAS BEEN RETAINED BY THIS OFFICE AND WILL BE SENT ON TO THE PRESS FOR ISSU IN THE NEXT GAZETTE.

16. 12.

P. W. D.

232/18

No. 232W 17th Jany/79

To,
The Secy: to the Government of India.
P. W. Department.

Better keep & Commn
I don't think [illegible]
right - [illegible]

Sir,

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I am to enquire whether this interpretation of the rules is concurred in by the Govt. of India.

WH 19.12.78

Despd. 28-1-79

I think this goes too far - unless a proper proportion is maintained in 2 & 3d grade then all apprentices may be brought to 1 & 2d grade -

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Expense increased as well as introduction of new men as apprentices stopped & eventual stagnation will arise in the 2d [illegible] 20 Dec

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