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P. W DEPARTMENT

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

25th March 1879, No. 897 W.

General.
Establishment.

Read the following papers:—

No. 294. From Major L. CONWAY-GORDON, R.E., Examiner of Public Works Accounts, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, General Branch, dated Chepauk, 20th February 1879, No. 461 W.

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2. The Examiner, North-Western Provinces and Oudh, has returned these documents with the remarks that the subordinates under reference do not belong to the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, and that nothing is known of them there—*vide* copy of correspondence attached.

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4. If it is decided that their services should be dispensed with, the dates up to which pay is to be passed to them, also whether any travelling allowance for their return journey to Bengal is to be admitted, should be communicated to this office as was done in the case of Messrs. Oliver and Hardy.

From H. MARTEN, Esq., Examiner of Public Works Accounts, North-Western Provinces and Oudh, to the Examiner of Public Works Accounts, Madras, dated Allahabad, 28th January 1879, No. 324.

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From the same Officer, dated 29th January 1879, No. 353.

In returning the last pay certificate of Sub-Engineer E. P. Woods, received with your letter, No. 279 C, of the 24th instant, I have the honor to state that this upper subordinate was not transferred from these Provinces, and nothing is known of him here.

No. 295. From E. P. WOODS, Esq., late Sub-Engineer, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Benares, 18th February 1879.

I HAVE the honor to state that I was engaged in February 1877 by the Government, North-Western Provinces, under the orders of the Government of India, as a temporary Sub-Engineer, for employment on Madras famine works, and that I served in the Presidency up to the 8th January last, when I was informed that my services had been replaced at the disposal of the Government of India, and was directed to return to the station I had come from, and then to report myself for further orders.

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(True Extract.)

Major, R.E.,
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To the Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
" Sub-Engineer Woods.

Exd. C. Howarth.
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GENERAL
ESTABLISHMENT.

Gobt. of 11879, Madras

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

THE EXAMINER OF PUBLIC
WORKS ACCOUNTS,

dc., dc., dc.

Dated March 25th.

Issued

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 25th March 1879, No. 898 W.

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No. 894-296

Messrs. Woods and Bartram.—The travelling expenses of — on their return to the Province from which they were deputed for famine duty to be borne by the Madras Government.

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(Signed) J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, Colonel, R.E.,
Ag. Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
" Sub-Engineer Woods.

✓ No. 297. (DOCKET No. 898 W, dated 25th March 1879).
COPY forwarded to the Government of India.

Major, R.E.,
Ag. Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

Exd. C. Howarth.
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Govt. of Madras

PUBLIC WORKS.

THE SECRETARY TO THE
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

Dated March 26th.

Issued

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 26th March 1879, No. 504 W.

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Nos. 294-297.

Forwards copy of Proceedings relative to
the travelling expenses of Messrs. Woods
and Bartram on their return to the Province
from which they were deputed for famine
duty.

Copy of a letter No. 1419 X dated 12th March 1879 from
The Examiner P. W. Accounts Madras to Mr. J. J. Hardy
Eaton's Boarding House Rundall's Road - Teysery.

With reference to G. O. No. 543 W dated 24th
February 1879, I have the honor to forward herewith a
requisition for payment of the sum of Rs. 140. 8 - which
Mr. J. J. Hardy, Carriage of sum will be paid to you on
Horse Bellary to Madras 28 - 11 - presentation of the requisition
Do. Camp/Equipage - 16. 13 - tion to the Executive
Do. Do Madras to Paugam 45 - - Engineer Presidency Div.
Do. Horse - Do - 80 - -
Rs. 140. 8 -

2 Your claim to Salary and Carriage hire for 30th
November 1878 to 30th January 1879 is inadmissible -
there being no rule under which it can be admitted.

(True Copy) Josiah Marchant
For Superintendent Correspondence Br.
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GOVT.
OF MADRAS.

1879.

P. W.
DEPT.

SECRETARY.

Fort St. George, 15th Feb. 1879.

OFFICE NOTE.

To

b.

Your No 461 Wd/20th
instant.

Are Woods and
Bartram awaiting orders
here, or in Bellary?

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TO W.

THEIR WHEREABOUTS NOT KNOWN TO
THIS OFFICE. THEY WERE RELIEVED OF
THEIR DUTIES IN THE SALEM DISTRICT.

MR. WOODS- 8TH. JANV. 1879.
.. BARTRAM- 18TH. DEC. 1878.

THEY DID NOT PERSONALLY CALL AT THIS

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OFFICERS AFTER THEY WERE RELIEVED OF
THEIR DUTIES ON FAMINE WORK.

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GOVT.
OF MADRAS.

1879.

P. W.
DEPT.

SECRETARY.

Fort St. George,

14th March 1879.

OFFICE NOTE

To

b.

Please inform me
what has been passed
to Mr. Hardy with
reference to G.O. No. 573 W
of 24th Feby. 1879. A
case is now under dis-
posal which is slightly
connected with this.

OF

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W.H.

By W.
14. 3.

TO W.

HEREWITH A COPY OF MY LETTER NO.

1719. X. OF 12TH. INSTANT TO THE AD-

DRESS OF MR. HARDY, WHICH WILL GIVE

YOU ALL THE INFORMATION YOU REQUIRE.

1/3 c.

COPIES OF TESTIMONIALS.

Mr. E. P. Woods Served as a Sub. Engineer on Famine Relief Works in the Kottakunila Taluque, in my Section of the District for a period of 9 months, from March to November 1877. His conduct of his duties gave me entire satisfaction, and I formed a high opinion of his character as an active, careful, self-reliant, and trustworthy officer.

Special Assistant,
COLLECTOR'S OFFICE.

Kurnool.

27th February 1878.

HERBERT CLOGSTOUN.

SPECIAL ASSISTANT COLLECTOR.

In charge of Section No. I.

I am glad to be able to endorse the favorable opinion expressed by Mr. Clogstoun of Mr. Woods' good service throughout the most trying part of the Famine.

I understand he is a candidate for employment in the Public Works Department in this Presidency, and would be glad to have him posted to this District, which is sadly in need of good men of his class.

KURNOOL

28th February 1878.

R. DAVIDSON,

Acting Collector.

SUNGABASSOUM TAUL.

8th October 1878.

DEAR SIR,

I have much pleasure in expressing my entire satisfaction with the way in which you have carried on the Sungabasavum Tank work since you have been in charge with my best wishes for your future.

Yours truly,

A. C. CAMPBELL ROGERS.

Mr. E. P. WOODS,

Sub Engineer.

Mr. WOODS served under me for about 9 months as Sub-Engineer and during that time I always found his work very satisfactory. I had hoped he would get a permanent appointment in the Railway Branch where I have no doubt he would have given satisfaction. He is a thoroughly practical man and understands his business well. I regret exceedingly that I had no longer acquaintance with him.

R. DE VILLANIL,

Lieut. R. E.

OOSOOOR :

8th January, 1879.

No. 112.

DISTRICT ENGINEER'S OFFICE,
12th August 1878.

MEMORANDUM.
Letter dated 10th August 1878.

The above application for employment in the Mysore State Railway has been forwarded to Government with recommendation for favorable consideration.

2. The undersigned has every reason to be satisfied with Mr. Woods' discharge of his duties since he came to this District, and will be glad if he can obtain the employment he asks for.

3. The original testimonial from the Collector of Kurnool is returned herewith, the copy having been forwarded to Government.

W. BADDELEY,
Lieutenant R. E.

To SUB ENGINEER MR. E. P. WOODS, ASSISTANT ENGINEER,
THROUGH DARAMPURY, for District Engineer.
Sub Divisional Officer.

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NORTHERN BENCAL STATE RAILWAY,

Saidpur, January 13th, 1876.

Certified that Mr. E. P. Woods, served under my orders on the N. B. S. Railway, from August 1875 to September 1876, inclusive as 2nd Grade Sub-Engineer, and that his services were dispensed with on the reduction of Establishment.

Throughout the period of service abovementioned Mr. Woods held charge of a Sub-Division of 13 miles in length, the Earth-work of which was practically finished before his arrival with some small exceptions.

Mr. Woods' own work comprised the manufacture of Bricks, Lime and Soorki, the erection of Permanent Bridges of a minor class in brickwork, the search for and digging of shingle from old river beds for Ballast; its transport to, and laying down on the Railway formation, and the burning of clay Ballast; the measurement of work and payment of petty Contractors and daily labor, and the rendering of accounts of expenditure.

With the exception of the burning of Clay Ballast in clamps with coal which was work in which Mr. Woods had little or no former experience to guide him and which was not uniformly successful, he carried out the work assigned to him in a satisfactory manner.

Mr. Woods was instrumental in bringing on the works of the Railway some skilled labor of a good class from the North West Provinces.

So far as I am aware the personal conduct of Mr. Woods while serving under me was that of a steady and respectable man.

ROBT. REYNOLDS,
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, N. B. S. RAILWAY,
Late Incharge North Division.

J. LINDSAY,
MAJOR, R. E.,
Engineer in Chief,
January 20th, 1877.

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DELHI RAILWAY
District Engineer's Office,
No. 5 District.

Mr. E. P. Woods was in the service of the Delhi Railway Company as an Inspector of works for three years. About one and a half of which he was under me in charge of the Station and Terminal Works at Delhi.

I am happy to be able to state, that I always found him perfectly trustworthy and thoroughly up in all works with which he was entrusted.

He left this service for the Oude and Rohilcund Railway, consequent on the completion of the above works and the contemplated reduction of the staff, which shortly after took place.

He should have received a testimonial from the Chief Engineer, but unfortunately he is in England.

I give him this with pleasure and in the hope that should he require it at any future time, he may find it of service.

(Signed) JOSEPH STONE,
District Engineer.
Meerut, 14th May, 1870.

Oude and Rohilcund Railway Company, Resident
Engineer's Office.
ROHILCUND DIVISION.

Unghoorie, 5th December, 1874.

BAREILLY.

I hereby certify that Mr. E. P. Woods has been employed on the Oude and Rohilcund Railway from October 1st 1869 to December 31st 1874. He leaves on completion of work and consequent reduction of establishment. He joined as Inspector of works and has been promoted to Clerk of works. During these five years he has bestowed unremitting care and attention on the heavy works he has had under his charge from their commencement to completion. The work has invariably been done quickly, conscientiously, carefully, and thoroughly. With his office work he has shewn equal diligence and care. I consider him competent for employment on the heaviest Railway works and feel sure of his maintaining the high character he has earned here.

He is able to level and make ordinary surveys. Mr. Woods' salary is now Rs. 350 per mensem.

(Signed) ARCHD. CONSTABLE,
Personal Assistant for Chief Engineer.

(Signed) F. T. G. WALTON,
Resident Engineer, Division 3.

NORTHERN BENGAL, STATE RAILWAY.

Saidpore, October 27th, 1876.

Certified that Mr. E. P. Woods served under me on the Northern Bengal State Railway as temporary 2nd Grade Sub-Engineer in charge of a Sub-Division from August 1875 to September 1876, inclusive and that his services were dispensed with on reduction of establishment.

(Signed) ROBERT REYNOLDS,
Executive Engineer, North Division.
N. B. S. RAILWAY.

Proceedings of the Madras Government.
Under date the
Read the following:-

From the Examiner R.R. Deeks: (N.R. No. 461. N. of 10 Feb: 79)
From Mr. Sub. Inq: Woods (N.R. of 18 Feb: 79)

Ordered that the
Cont. of India be ad-
-dressed

(N.R. No. of)

to the Secy. to the
Cont. of India P.M.

Sir

With reference to

Major Steel's endorsement
N. 347. G. G. of 23 Feb: 79

I am directed to enquire

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Can be withdrawn as
I. when giving or is that
depend on date of duties
terminating. Mr. Lums
kin. get decision. He
give him in Famine S.

I see no objection to
refer - The officers same
in question were
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In No 897 of 25-3-79

whether it is the in-
-tention of the Govt.
of India that the
services of Messrs Woods
and Hartman are to
be considered as dis-
-pensed with from
the date they ceased
to belong to this
Presidency; and, if so,
whether their expenses
back to the A. N.
Provinces, from which
they were originally
transferred, are to be
paid.
I am directed to

dispute with the
Govt. within no longer
needed - their pay
ceased accordingly
the fact of their having
only been temporarily
engaged by the Govt.
makes no difference
to us -
the officers were sent to
these provinces so
far as allowed by
rule for their return
journey -
Madras does not
want permanent officers

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forward a petition in
original from Mr Woods,
and to state that His
Grace the Governor in
Council is unable
to find employment
for him in the P. N.
Dept. of this Presidency,
but will be glad if
he can be provided
with some permanent
post by the Govt.
of India.

Mr Woods, during his
service in this Presi-
-dency, performed his

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dates ^{very} efficiently

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Note

They are entitled to
their return expenses
to the place from
where they departed
in their own person
& there is an end of
them

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With reference to His
Grace's remarks, it is
explained that the services
of Messrs Woods and
Bartram were not
suspended with, but
replaced at the disposal
of the Government of India.
It could not ^{certainly} be inferred
that their appointments
were only intended to
hold good during the
continuance of the famine;
the Government of the
A. H. P. might have
wished to employ them
on other duty when their
services were no longer
required in Madras.

Lt

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MS. 573 RC22/3

It is submitted that the case cannot be decided under the rules; it is a peculiar case to which the ordinary rules cannot be applied: hence the Examiners request for instructions.

There has been only one parallel case, that of Messrs Hardy and Oliver, in which definite instructions were given to the Govt. by the Government of India.

Under the rules, the transit pay and travelling allowances of famine officers returning to their own provinces are borne

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by the Madras Govt.

The question which is now submitted for the consideration of His Grace is, - whether Messrs Woods and Bartram, sometimes temporarily employed by the Govt. of the N. W. Provinces, and deputed by them to Madras, are to have their expenses back allowed.

It has not been proposed to bring them on the Madras establishment.

Read the following papers 27-898-974

FROM THE EXAMINER, P. E. ACCOUNTS,

HARPER.

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TO THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

GENERAL BRANCH.

NO. 461. E.

CHICAGO, 20 FEBRUARY 1910.

SIR,

IT WAS UNDERSTOOD FROM P. E. NOTIFICATION NOS. 157 & 110 DATED RESPECTIVELY 21ST & 25TH JANUARY 1910 THAT THE SERVICES OF MESSRS. WOODS AND HARTMAN WERE REPLACED AT THE DISPOSAL OF THE GOVERNMENT OF NORTH WESTERN PROVINCES AND OGDEN. THAT LAST P. E. CERTIFICATE WERE ACCORDINGLY FORWARDED TO THE EXAMINER OF THOSE PROVINCES FOR DISPOSAL.

THE EXAMINER, NORTH WESTERN PROVINCES AND OGDEN, HAS RETURNED THESE DOCUMENTS WITH THE REMARKS THAT THE SUM ORIGINATES UNDER REFERENCE DO NOT BELONG TO THE NORTH WESTERN PROVINCES & OGDEN AND THAT NOTHING IS KNOWN OF THEM THERE. VIDE COPY OF CORRESPONDENCE ATTACHED.

LETTER NO. 384 OF 22-1-79 FROM
THE EXAMINER, N. E. PROVINCES & OGDEN.
NO. 500 OF 20-1-79 FROM CO. CO. } FROM C. O.
NO. 901 DEPARTMENT }
DATED 280. MARCH 1907. IT WOULD APPEAR THAT
BOTH MR. WOODS AND HARTMAN WERE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNMENT

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NORTH WESTERN PROVINCES UNDER ORDERS FROM THE GOVERNMENT
OF INDIA FOR EMPLOYMENT ON MADRAS FAMINE WORKS, AND AS IT
IS NOT CLEAR FROM THE PAPERS IN THIS OFFICE WHETHER IT IS
INTENDED THAT THEIR SERVICES SHOULD BE REPLACED AT THE DI-
POSAL OF THE GOVERNMENT OF NORTH WESTERN PROVINCES OR
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THEY CEASED TO BELONG TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THIS PRESI-
DENCY. I HAVE TO REQUEST THE FAVOR OF EARLY ORDERS OF
GOVERNMENT ON THE SUBJECT.

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PENDED WITH, THE DATES UP TO WHICH PAY IS TO BE PASSED TO
THEM, ALSO WHETHER ANY TRAVELLING ALLOWANCE FOR THEIR RE-
TURN JOURNEY TO BENGAL IS TO BE ADMITTED, SHOULD BE COM-
MUNICATED TO THIS OFFICE AS WAS DONE IN THE CASE OF MESSRS
OLIVER AND HARRY.

I HAVE THE HONOR TO BE,

SIR,

YOUR MOST OBEIENT SERVANT,

Lowry-Jordan

EXAMINER, P. & A. ACCOUNTS & MAJORS R. F.

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12-3-79

FROM THE EXAMINER, P. W. ACCOUNTS,

MADRAS.

TO THE SECY. TO GOVT. P. W. D.

GENERAL BRANCH.

No 25-3-77 Mr 878-77

NO. 461. W.

DATED 27 FEBRUARY 1879.

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REQUESTING CERTAIN INFORMATION
REGARDING THE TRANSFER OF MESSRS.
W. DE & BARTHEM TO NORTH WESTERN
PROVINCES & OUDH.

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Examiners Office N.W. Provinces & Oudh
No 324

From

Allahabad 28th January 1879

The Examiner of P. W. Accounts

North Western Provinces and Oudh

To.

The Examiner Public Works Accounts
Madras

Sir

I have the honor to return the
Last Pay Certificate of Mr. J. Bartram received
with your No 234, C of the 28th December last and
to state that Mr. Bartram was engaged specially
as a temporary Overseer for the Madras Famine
Works, that he did not at the time, nor does he
now, belong to the Establishment of these
Provinces

Sgd. H. Marten

Examiner P. W. Accts. N. W. P. & O.

(True Copy) W. E. J. P.

Superintendent Correspondence Br

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From.

(Copy) - M. 43
The Examiner P. W. Accounts
North Western Provinces and Oudh

To.

The Examiner P. W. Accounts
Madras

No 353 dated 29th January 1849

Sir

In returning the last pay certificate
of Sub Engineer E. P. Woods received with your letter
No 249 C. of the 24th instant, I have the honor to
state, that this latter subordinate was not
transferred from these Provinces, and nothing
is known of him here.

(Sd) J. Martens.

Exr. P. W. Accts. G. W. P. Oudh.

(True Copy)

J. E. E. E.

Superintendent Correspondence Bt.

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Regt. Genl. Binares

The 18 February 1879

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From
Mr. E. P. Woods
late Sub Engineer

To
The Secretary,
Govt. Madras P. W. D.

Sir,

I have the honor to state
that I was engaged in February 1877
by the Govt. of India under the orders of
the Govt. of India, as a temporary Sub
Engineer, for employment on Madras
Tamil Works, and that I served in
the Presidency, up to the 8th January last,
when I was informed that my services
had been replaced at the disposal of
the Govt. of India, and was directed to
return to the Station I had come from,
and there to report myself for further
orders.

I reported myself to the Asst.
Secretary, Govt. P. W. D. on the 29th
January, and on the 10th current, was
informed, that the Govt. of these pro-
vinces could not provide me with
an appointment.

I knew that my appointment was
a temporary one but I hoped that it
would eventually be made permanent.

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never, my having accepted the situation on a smaller salary than I had for the past eight years been receiving. — You will see from the accompanying testimonials, which some of the Officers I served under through my service, of the high standing the hard life I had to lead for two years in most unhealthy localities, and in the midst of most dangerous infectious diseases, I have received no recognition whatsoever for my service, but on the contrary been dismissed most summarily without even the month's notice or salary usually given.

Shortly previous to my transfer from Kurnool to Salem, I addressed a letter to the District Engineer of Kurnool, Major Hunter, asking to be recommended for a permanent appointment, and was informed by Mr. W. B. Christie, then acting for Major Hunter, that my application had been forwarded on to Govt. with the District Engineer's recommendation — but I received no reply to the application.

Again shortly previous to my getting orders to Belgaol, I again represented my case through Mr. de Villamil, Sub Div. Officer of Tanjore, and asked for my case to be placed before the Govt. of Madras, with a recommendation

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for a permanent appointment, or in case I could not be provided for in the Madras Presidency, that the Govt. of Madras be solicited to recommend me for such provision by the Govt. of India.

Mr. de Villamil informed me that he had recommended me strongly, and that the Lt. Engineer, Mr. Lowry had done likewise, also that the Supdt. Engineer had told him that the papers connected with my case would be forwarded on to the Government in due course.

However I have not up to the present received any official communication on the subject. — I once asked the Asst. Secretary Govt. N. W. P., R. & D. whether the Govt. of these provinces had, and he told me that it had not.

I therefore take the liberty of addressing the Govt. of Madras, in the hope that it will after communicating with the Officer I served under in the Madras Presidency be pleased to honor me with an official testimonial for my service of nearly 2 years (15th Feb/77 to 1st Jan/79) on the Tanjore Works, — and a recommendation to the Government of India, to provide me with a permanent appointment in the State Railway Dept., to which I belonged prior to my going to Madras.

Soliciting the favor of an early reply,
I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
R. P. Woods.

3 Enclosures —

Address

Care of C. L. Linn Esq
P. O. R. R.

Raj Ghat

Benares

N. W. P.

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- 22-2-77- 339.
- 1-4-78- 1638 H.
- 22-8-78- 3348 H. + 3349 H.
- 19-9-78- 3710 H.
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Raj Ghat

Benares

Dec 15 March 1879

To

The Secretary
Govt of Madras P.W.D.

Sir

I have the honor
to draw your attention
to my letter of the 17th
Ultimo, and solicit
the favor of an early
reply.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your obedient servant
H. P. Wood

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 25th March 1879
Read the following:—

From
The Examiner P. W. Accounts (N^o 461 Wd/20th Feb/79)
Mr. E. P. Woods — (a. " — 18th " —)
— do — do — (a. " — 15th March —)

The travelling
expenses of Messrs. Woods and Bartram,
on their return to the
province from which
they were deputed for
famine duty, will be
borne by the Madras
Government.

2. Their services will
be considered to have
been dispensed with

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from the date of their
relief in this Presidency.
3 The Govt are unable
to provide for Mr
Wood on the permanent
establishment.

He. No 898 Wd/ 25th March/79

Copy forwarded
to the Govt of India.

Exe P.W. Accounts ✓
Sub Eng^r Woods ✓
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Messrs Woods and Bartram
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