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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

No. 28.

TO THE RIGHT HONORABLE THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA.

My Lord,—We have the honor to forward copy of a letter addressed to us by the Superintendent of the Madras Harbour Works, in which certain proposals are made as regards the terms of the future employment of Mr. Lowe, the Head Foreman on the works.

2. Mr. Thorowgood recommends an increase of allowance for house-rent; a gratuity, amounting to one month's pay, to be given on the termination of the present agreement; the grant of two months' privilege leave; and the payment of a lump sum of Rs. 1,000 when Mr. Lowe's services are finally dispensed with.

3. To the first and third of these proposals we are ourselves competent to give effect; to the second and fourth we have the honor to request your Lordship's approval.

4. We think that Mr. Lowe well deserves some such rewards as those suggested.

5. We should be glad to receive early intimation of your Lordship's concurrence in the proposals.

We have the honor to be,
My Lord,
Your Lordship's most obedient, humble servants,

(Signed) BUCKINGHAM AND CHANDOS.
(„) N. B. CHAMBERLAIN.
(„) W. HUDLESTON.
(„) DAVID F. CARMICHAEL.

OOTACAMUND,
28th May 1880.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

OOTACAMUND.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Letter to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India.

Dated 28th May.

No. 28 of 1880.

REQUESTING concurrence to certain proposals made for the future employment of Mr. G. W. Lowe, Foreman, Madras Harbour Works.

GOVT. OF MADRAS. } 1880. { P.W. DEPT.

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~~Fort St. George~~ July 2nd 1880.

OFFICE NOTE.

To S.W.

Re March 19th I addressed Govt about Mr. G.W. Lowe's being engaged on these works and asked that the Secretary of State might be addressed with a recommendation that the terms on which Mr. Lowe would stay should be accepted.

In three weeks time Mr. Lowe's time will have expired, and I have had no reply being letter and therefore can give none to Mr. Lowe.

At this late date the terms must be agreed to, or it will be very unfair on G.W. Lowe who has been waiting day after day & month after month for a reply & not hoping to get work elsewhere.

The G.O. 1191 W. of May 19th (Home

The Secretary of State -

If Govt do not think a state telegram necessary. I must telegraph to Mr Baillie & let me know what the India Office have decided because I cannot go on telling G.W. Lowe that as yet there is no reply -

Nine weeks have been lost in some unaccountable way between my letter of March 19th and the reply of May 13th - two months.

GWW Dft. PWW.

2.7.80

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Despatch No 28 of 28-5-80 -
G.O - 1191 W 19-6-80 -

cf. G.O. 1191 W. dated 19-6-80

July 8. 1915

To Sir H.

Mr. Lowe already knows that
[illegible] proposed arrangement
was agreed to. But his ground
for staying is that the whole
of the arrangement should be
sanctioned.
The proposals, as I said, were
made on March 19th after proposing
with Mr Fischer & Mr Lowe present,
that no information that an answer
be given positively one way, either
other before July 28th.
I cannot agree finally with Mr Lowe
now on any terms but those, before
because he asked for an increase of
the pay of the stages &, and the
terms was suggested by Mr Fischer as
alternative of the increase.
It would be a serious loss if he went
home this month, and I think
frequent inquiries I can give no
answer whatever except this, "Pay
proposals for you are not yet sanctioned.
Surely a telegram to England is
justifiable after an interval of 4
months since I requested Sir E Grey

The Government have
approved of Sir Jas Jamsetjee's
and I have informed the
Secretary of State that

Mr Montagu.
Indn. Affairs.
Suggest Sir H. to see.

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Months after the application,
I mean the matter just where
it was so far as I am aware.
I mean by that in para: 9
of my letter (66 W. March 19) I
asked that Secretary of State might
be addressed: as he made the
appointment.
I must give F. W. Lowe an answer
as he cannot go three weeks
up in less than three weeks.
Can you telegraph, saying that
the terms must be agreed to
or what can be done?

The Government have approved of Sir Jas Jamsetjee's and I have informed the Secretary of State that

Sir Jas Jamsetjee's 1 and 4 of
June 8 of Jan letter
Jan 66 W. 2 1/5 0 June,
which are in the Secretary of
Secretary of State have
been accepted & I have,
and I have recommended
to his sanction Jan
Jas Jamsetjee's 2 and 4 -
Jan can therefore
agree
accept finally with
Sir Lowe as to Jan 1
and 3, and inform
him that 2 and 4 must
be remain pending
receipt of Secretary of
Secretary of State's reply.
Jas Jamsetjee's that
question will be referred -

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Harbour Superintendents letter Enc 66 Br of 19th March 1880.

Received 20th March
Circulated 20th —"— —"—
Returned 29th —"— —"—
Recirculated 29th —"— —"—
Returned 5th April
Memo: to Examiner for remarks &c 6th —"— —"—
Examiner's reply received 11th May
Sent to Batacamund 14th —"— —"—
Returned - 19th —"— —"—

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FOR ORDERS.

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To Secy. of State.

Public Works Despatch
28, May 28.
Sanction by telegraph
requested.

Tel: despd 9/7/00

A.S.P. 9/7

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of this was in the
Senatorial office. -

Thos Ryan Esqr
Mayor &c
for Secy. to Govt
P.W.D.
7th July 80.

FOR ORDERS.

Govt

Lieut 4.50 p
9/7/00

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Lieut 6-7-80. Qtr. 13-7-80.
Capt 7-7-80. Qtr. 11-7-80.
Capt 6th Fus 12-7-80.

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17 September

Establishment

No. 66 W P/

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From

THE SUPERINTENDENT,
MADRAS HARBOUR WORKS,

To Colonel F. Kindersley, C.S. P.C.
Secretary to Government Public
Fort Saint George

MADRAS, 19th March 1850

SIR,

I have the honor to report that the period for which Mr George Love, Head Foreman on these works was engaged will expire on July 28th 1850, and to lay before Government certain proposals for his future.

2. Mr Love's appointment was for five years at a salary of Rs 400 a month and nominally five quarters but in reality Rs 20 a month was substituted for provision of quarters by himself.

3. Mr Love has on January 28th 1850 sent in his resignation six months notice and has expressed a desire to stay to the completion of the work hoping that an increase may be made to his salary for the remainder of his service after the 5 years have

expired. I have written to and received reply from Mr. Parkes on the subject and am now able to give expression to our joint opinions.

4. I feel some hesitation in placing before Government a report on the manner in which Mr. Love has performed his duties since his arrival in this country in 1875, because I am unable to say one single word which is not enormously in his favour. Yet I must be permitted to state briefly some of the leading points in his good service, as the progress made with the works is in such a great degree owing to his untiring energy and earnestness.

5. In the four years and 8 months that he has been on these works Mr. Love has never been absent for one single day except in one instance of sickness brought on by too much exposure to the sun during last September

and then he was kept away for only five days by order of the medical officer. The only thing that has influenced Mr Love has been whether there was work to be done and if work was to be done he was always there to look after it. From early morning till dark, on Sundays and week days, regardless alike of wet or of a May and June sun at midday he has for nearly 5 years been at his work, with the very small exception above referred to. I think that special notice should be taken of these hours of extra work which it must be allowed are not what would compel any covenanted Servant under me to undergo. For instance, it is generally supposed that between the hours of 12 and 2 work may be suspended, but with Mr Love this was not the case. Similarly, as Sunday is the only day available for repairs to the railways damaged blocks &c it has been only necessary for me to suggest

that certain things might be done on a Sunday, and Mr Lowe was invariably ready to get the work promptly carried out.

6. To be deprived of Mr Lowe's services now, when in all probability eighteen months more will see the completion of the Harbour, would be to me personally a severe loss, and I submit, much against the interests of the work and therefore of Government and as he himself is willing to stay if his position is improved for the remainder of his time, I suggest that his services be retained for a period of eighteen months beyond the first term of his agreement.

7. Now with regard to his remuneration although it is not probable that any one can hold him in higher estimation than I do (and I may also say Mr Parkes), yet it must be remembered that Rs. 400 a month and Rs. 20 for house rent is as much as the post of Head Foreman is worth. Individually Mr Lowe is I consider worth more, but the market value of a Foreman must be considered, and if Rs. 500 a month were paid in any one case as a regular salary, it would be quoted as a precedent on future works.

8. I therefore would respectfully place before Government what I have hinted to Mr Lowe himself. First, that no monthly increase of pay be given, but that Rs. 40 instead of Rs. 20 be allowed for house rent. I mention this because Mr Lowe actually pays Rs. 40 for house rent and for Rs. 20 a suitable house for a man of his stamp really cannot be obtained. This will more nearly provide the "Free Quarters" originally stipulated for.

Secondly, that at the termination of his present agreement on July 25 he may have a month's pay presented to him as a gratuity.

Thirdly, that in next November or December or at some other time when I may be able to spare him Mr Lowe be given two months'

privilege leave so that he may be able to visit Kurrachee where he has been on a previous occasion. In the event of Government agreeing to this, I would remark that I shall not ask for any one in his place during the two months of his absence. Finally that instead of paying an extra salary to Mr. Jones from August 1880 for the ensuing 18 months, he be paid at the end of the 18 months a lump sum of (pay) Rs 1000 which will be equivalent to a little over (£) 50 a month increase of pay and at the same time will not admit of a monthly rate being quoted as a precedent for future weeks. And that this Extra Gratuity be made payable to his widow or children in the event of his death.

As I have said before I believe Mr Parkes, who selected Mr Jones for his appointment, approves of all that I have suggested, I therefore trust that the Government of Madras may submit the proposals for the favourable consideration of the Right Honorable the Secretary of State at Home.

Allow the Hon'ble Sir,
Your most Obedt Servant
A. Brownrigg Lt. Col.
Superintendent
Mekran

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" 8-5-75 " 2550.

EXAMINER
No 7 APR 80
P.W.A. ENCE & ACCTS

Establishment

From The Superintendent
Madras Harbour Works
P.W.D.
20 MAR 80
Rec'd No 1665
Dated 19th March 1880

Submitted.

For orders.
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20/3/80

Mr. G. W. Love
Recommends extra allowance
10— on the expiration of
his term of service.

R-225-5-80
Govt. Sec. to G. 22-3-80

FROM MAJOR C.W.SMITH R.E.,

OFFG. EXAMINER, P.W.ACCOUNTS.

MADRAS.

TO THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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MADRAS, 3RD.MAY 1880.

NO.2[illegible]

SIR,

WITH REFERENCE TO YOUR NO.1050 DATED 6TH APRIL 1880 REGARDING THE PROPOSALS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT HARBOUR WORKS IN REGARD TO MR. LOVE.

PROPOSAL NO.1, IN REGARD TO THE INCREASED HOUSE RENT APPEARS ADMISSIBLE WITH THE SANCTION OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

PROPOSAL NO.2 LIKEWISE IS ADMISSIBLE UNDER SEC.IC, RULE 2 SUPPLEMENT P TO THE CIVIL LEAVE CODE AND G.O.NO. 2751 DATED 3RD.NOVEMBER 1879.

PROPOSALS 3 & 4 :- IN GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CIR.NO. 67.F.P.W. DATED 8TH.NOVEMBER 1877 THE GOVERNOR GENERAL IN COUNCIL ORDERS THAT ANY BATTA OR HONORARIUM PAID TO ANY PUBLIC OFFICERS IS TO BE RECORDED IN THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND TREATED BY THE OFFICER OF AUDIT AND ACCOUNT AS AN ADDITION TO SALARY AND BE MADE SUBJECT TO THE RULES WHICH GOVERN SUCH ADDITIONS.

BOTH THESE PROPOSED ADDITIONS WOULD RAISE MR.LOVE'S

THAT ABOVE £0,0,000 PER ANNUM (£[illegible] PER ANNUM, NET OF £0,000 PER ANNUM OR £0,000 PER ANNUM) SHALL BE WITHHELD FROM THAT DUE ACTIVITIES CAUSE MADE PERMITTED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT (0.0ff.) DATED 21ST AUGUST 1874 AS GRANTED WITHIN THE AUTHORITY OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

I HAVE THE HONOR TO BE,

SIR,

YOUR MOST OBEDIENT SERVANT,

MAJOR R.E.

CAPTN. EXAMINER P. W. ACCOUNTS.

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P.W.D.
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N.B.

FROM THE EXAMINER P.W.A. OFFICE,

CALCUTTA.

TO THE SECRETARY TO GOVT. P.W.D.

MADRAS.

DATED 3RD MAY 1880.

SIR,

POINTING OUT THAT THE INCREASED RATE OF PAY TO MR. LOWE FOREMAN MADRAS HARBOR WORKS CANNOT BE GRANTED WITHOUT THE SANCTION OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

Cultt. Jw 6-80 Entd. 8-80

EXAMINER
No. 7 APR 80
ENGR
PARLIAMENTARY

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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From the Supt. Madras Harbour Works.
No. 66 W of 19th March 1880.

FOR ORDERS.

Submitted.
Shd. any objection
be raised to
the proposed
increase
Pay
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Lr. No. 2496. 20-8-85.
" " 2550. 18-9-85.

FOR ORDERS.

No. 1191 W. Dy. No. 1191 W. 15

Pro: of the Madras Govt.

Under date the 19 May 1880

Read the following:-

From

The Supt. Madras Harbour Works

(No. No. 66 W dy 19th March 80)
(Lr. No. 218 dy 3rd May 80.

From Le. P.W.D.

Ordered that the Secy: of State be addressed.

Supt. M.H. Works
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Govt. of India Secret

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

Dated

Rec'd

Ans'd

Read

Ord. C. 19th May 1910 Ex. 11914

Nos. 32 – 33

Regarding Concurrence
to certain proposals
made for the future
employment of
Mr G. W. Lowe
Foreman Mr. Works.

Mr G. W. Lowe.
Foreman Mr. Works.

Ordered that the Govt.
of State be addressed
on "the re-employment
of the services of—