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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

20th August 1881, No. 2,063 W.

General.
Establishment.

Read the following papers :—

No. 83. From F. N. THOROWGOOD, Esq., M. INST., C.E., Superintendent of Madras Harbour Works, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 12th August 1881, No. 36 W.

I HAVE the honor to address Government once more on the subject treated of in G.O., No. 1,844 W., of July 27th, 1881, viz., the absence from these works of Mr. G. W. Lowe, in the earnest hope that I may be permitted to retain his services should he perfectly regain his health.

2. Mr. Lowe has performed his duties on these works for six years in a manner that cannot be too highly commended. At any hour of the twenty-four and on any day of the week he has ever done his utmost, with great success, to forward the work; and I cannot do more than refer to my report of his conduct when asking that he might be re-engaged (letter with G.O., No. 1,191 W., May 19th, 1880).

3. Since the date of that letter he has spent another year of hard out-door work on the beach, and although in November 1880 he proceeded on his two months' leave kindly granted by Government in the order above quoted, yet he was unable to avail himself of this rest, for on November 21st two valuable Europeans were lost on the works by drowning, and Mr. Lowe, unasked, immediately returned to Madras and to duty.

4. The order on which I now venture with all respect to address Government sanctions the exact terms of Mr. Lowe's second agreement, and permits me to arrange for appointing another man in his place. At this stage of the work it would be impossible to provide a man who would represent Mr. Lowe, whose six years' experience can only be gained on this special work. It will be much easier for me to carry on the management for a time with my existing staff although more work will fall to all of us, than to instruct a new hand in details so full of peculiarities.

5. I have just learnt from Aden that Mr. Lowe is already greatly improved in health, and as I am confident that I may with justice consider him entitled to some special consideration, I venture to ask that it may rest with Mr. Parkes, under sanction of the Secretary of State, to re-engage Mr. Lowe if, in Mr. Parkes's opinion and that of the Home authorities, he is quite fit to return to duty and willing to do so.

6. There appears to me to be no chance of completing even the North Pier this year, owing to the alterations ordered in the Pier Head, so that Mr. Lowe's services would be of the greatest value to me in case he should be fit to return to duty in November or December, as he is so thoroughly acquainted with the details of the blocks to be used in the Pier Heads. To a new hand this alone would be a troublesome subject to learn.

7. In G.O., No. 907 W., dated 8th April 1880, the Government were so good as to grant to Mr. W. Allen, Foreman Diver, a gratuity of one month's pay. To Mr. T. Carter was given a (G.O., No. 1,058 W., dated 30th April 1880,) free second class passage, to which he had no real claim, as a reward for good service, but to Mr. G. Lowe, whose exertions could not have been surpassed, and who has lost his health in the service of the Government, nothing is given in the final settlement named in the order of July 27th which his agreement does not permit him to claim. The gratuity allowed is only part of his pay, and could be claimed by him as such, for it was a part of the terms on which he was re-engaged.

8. I therefore venture to ask that some special consideration be shown to so good and conscientious a servant of Government, who spared neither health nor time to do his duty; and considering how the two months' leave in 1880 was cut short by his sudden return to work already mentioned, I beg that he may now be allowed *three months' leave* on half pay, and that, as a special reward for his most excellent six years of exposure in a climate which has now knocked up or killed nearly the whole of my out-door staff at one time or another, he may be allowed the *full* gratuity of Rs. 1,000. I am aware that I am asking for a special favor, but I should be wanting in duty if I failed to make this appeal on behalf of such a valuable man as Mr. Lowe.

No. 84. ORDER THEREON, 20th August 1881, No. 2,063 W.

UPON the representation made by the Superintendent of the Madras Harbour Works in the letter above recorded, the Governor in Council is pleased to sanction to Mr. Lowe, Foreman of the Works, three months' leave on half pay from date of departure with permission to return to duty, at the end of this period, if he then be in a fit state of health. Mr. Lowe will also be allowed the full gratuity of Rs. 1,000 on the understanding that this, and the free passage to England already sanctioned, are held to satisfy all claims on these accounts under his present engagement.

2. Any further engagement after the expiry of his present agreement will be on distinct conditions.

3. The Secretary of State will be advised accordingly.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintendent, Madras Harbour Works.
,, Examiner of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. S. T. Austin.
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Govt. of (1881) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

The SUPERINTENDENT,
MADRAS HARBOUR WORKS,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated August, 20th.

Issued

Recd. *Encl.*

G. O., 20*th August* 1881, *No.* 2,063 W.

AUGUST.
Nos. 83-84.

Mr. Lowe, Foreman, Madras Harbour Works, granted three months' leave on half pay, and also the full gratuity of Rs. 1,000.

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From
The SUPERINTENDENT,
MADRAS HARBOUR WORKS,

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To Colonel R. H. Sankey, C.B. R.E.
Secretary to Government P.W. Dept,
Fort Saint George

Madras. 19th August 1881.

Sir,

I have the honor to address Government once more on the subject treated of in G.O. No. 1844 W of July 27th 1881, namely the absence from these works of Mr. G. W. Lowe, in the earnest hope that I may be permitted to retain his services should he perfectly regain his health.

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obdt. Servant
F. N. Harrowgood M. Inst. C.E.
Superintendent
M. H. Works

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P. W. C. No. 4575

Establishment

From,
The Superintendent
Madras Harbour Works

No. 36 W
Dated 12th August 1881
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No of Enclosures nil

Mr G. W. Lowe
Solicits 3 months leave on half pay and a gratuity of Rs 1000 for-

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

From the Supdt. M. H. Works No 36 W dated 12th August 1881.

FOR ORDERS.

Recommended

A. W. Stanley
Colonel R.E.
Secy to Govt. P. W. D.

I am perfectly willing to give the 3 mos.' leave on ½ pay. & to sanction return to duty at its close on the understanding that the free passage & the full gratuity satisfy all claims under present Engagement. Except of course pay for any

The Hon'ble the Governor

FOR ORDERS.

further time he may serve in India.

Further engagt. beyond Oct. 81. will of course be on distinct conditions.

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No. 2063 W PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 20th Augt. /81

Read the following :—

Letter from Superintendent Madras Harbour Works } H. E. No 36. W. dd 12th August 1881.

Upon the representation made by the Superintendent of the Madras Harbour Works in the letter above recorded, the Governor in Council is pleased to sanction to Mr Lowe, Foreman of the works, three months leave on half pay from date of departure with permission to return to duty at the end of this period, if he then be in a fit state of health. Mr Lowe will also be allowed the full gratuity of Rs 1000, on the understanding that this, and the free passage to England already sanctioned are held to satisfy all claims on these accounts under his present engagement.

2. Any further engagement

after the expiry of his present ~~leave~~ agreement will be on distinct conditions

Council 18-8-81.

3— The Secretary of State will be advised accordingly.

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Superintendent Madras Harbour works

Dept. 20-8-81

Examiner of Public Works Accounts

Despd 25-8-81

R. 26-8-81

P.W. Deptt.

No. 53/2064 W d/ 20th Augt/81

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To

The Right Honorable
The Secy: of State
for India.

My Lord Marquis.

Adverting to our Despatch No. 49/1969 W dated 16th August 1881, on the subject of Mr Lowe's connection with the Madras Harbour Works, we have now the honour to forward for your Lordship's information, a copy of our Proceedings No: 2063 W dated 20th Augt/81

R.S.

in which, looking to the special circumstances reported by the Superintendent of the Works, we have ~~been induced~~ to modify the terms of our former order, and to approve of Mr Lowe's returning to duty at the end of three months leave on half pay, if by this time he be in a fit state of health to resume work in Madras.

Your Lordship

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will also observe that we have approved the disbursement of the full gratuity of Rs 1,000 to Mr Lowe, instead of the proportionate sum previously sanctioned.

We desire to leave to your Lordship the settlement of the terms of any future engagement that may be entered into with Mr Lowe.

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Govt. of {1881} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

Dated

Issued

Recd. 21-8-81

Encl.

G. O. 30 Augt 1881, No. 2083/2084

Nos. 83-84

Mr Lowe, Foreman. M. H. works granted three months leave on half pay and also the full gratuity of Rs 1000

On the subject of Mr Lowe's connection with the Madras Harbour works.

Entd. in Receipt Regr.