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the officers of the Public
Works Department concerned
Mans G.O. No 596
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Govt. of (1881) Madras
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To

THE ADJUTANT-GENERAL,

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Dated December, 1st.

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Encl.

G.O., 1st December 1881, No. 6379.

DECEMBER.
Nos. 3-6.

Communicating letter from the Government
of India, intimating that the revised scale of
pension for officers who entered the Staff Corps
subsequent to September 1866 published in
G.G.O., No. 489 of 1881, have been extended to
officers of the late Indian Royal Artillery and
Engineers.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

1st December 1881, No. 6379.

Retirements.

Read the following papers :—

- No. 3. *From Brigadier-General GODFREY CLERK, Adjutant-General, to Colonel E. L. HANKIN, Acting Secretary to Government, Military Department; dated Bangalore, 14th October 1881, No. 1321.*

I am directed to submit the accompanying letter from Colonel Sankey, C.B.,
No. 497, of the 19th September 1881. Royal Engineers.

2. The question raised is, whether officers of the Royal (late Madras) Engineers are to be considered as belonging to the "Indian Forces" as that definition is used in para. 1 of G.O.G., No. 650 of 1881.

3. The application of the revised pensions published in the G.O.G. above quoted would appear to be limited to the four classes enumerated in its 2nd paragraph, and as the Royal Engineers are not included in any of these classes, it would appear that, so far as the provisions of the "Pension Rules of 1881" are concerned, the definition "Indian Forces" is not intended to include officers of the Royal Engineers.

4. But, as Colonel Sankey requests that definite information may be obtained as to the prospects of officers of the Royal Engineers of the Madras Establishment as regards a revised scale of pensions, the Provincial Commander-in-Chief directs me to submit Colonel Sankey's letter for the consideration and orders of Government.

From Colonel R. H. SANKEY, C.B., Royal (Madras) Engineers, to the Adjutant-General; dated Ootacamund, 19th September 1881, No. 479.

On page 367 of the *Gazette of India* of the 3rd September 1881 is published a revised scale of pensions for officers of the Indian Staff Corps and the Indian Forces, to take effect from the 1st July 1881.

2. Although it appears certain from the classification of officers entered under para. 2 of the Resolution of the Government of India that the revised scale is not intended to apply to Royal Engineer Officers of the Madras Establishment, yet these officers certainly fall within the definition of "Indian Forces" to whom the rules are by para. 1 made applicable.

3. I have the honor to request that His Excellency the Provincial Commander-in-Chief may be moved to obtain definite information as to the prospects of officers of Royal Engineers of the Madras Establishment as regards a revised scale of pensions, the subject of which is understood to have engaged the attention of the India Office.

- No. 4. *To the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, dated 29th October 1881, No. 5686.*

No. 5. *From Colonel W. M. LEES, Officiating Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, to Colonel E. L. HANKIN, Acting Secretary to Government, Military Department, Madras; dated Fort William, 23rd November 1881, No. 1602-O.*

Retirements.

With reference to your endorsement, No. 5686, dated the 29th October 1881, submitting an enquiry as to the applicability of the provisions of G.G.O., No. 489 of 1881, to officers of Royal (late Madras) Engineers, I am directed to invite your attention to G.G.O., No. 596 of 1881, and to state, for the information of His Excellency the Governor in Council, that the revised scale of pension for officers who

entered the Staff Corps subsequent to September 1866, published in G.G.O., No. 489* of 1881, have been extended to officers of the late Indian Royal Artillery and Engineers.

No. 6. ORDER THEREON, 1st December 1881, No. 6379.

The reply of the Government of India communicated to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief and the Public Works Department.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) E. L. HANKIN, Colonel,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Adjutant-General.
,, Public Works Department.

Mis Ordinary ~~Routine~~ No. 3044, dated 7-12- 1881.

