

Copy of letter from the Examiner
C. W. Acromb. to the Superintendent
Engineer 1st Circle, No. 772. S. E. 1st
Dated 23rd March. 1881.

With reference to your
No. 3437 dated 12th March. 1881,
I have the honor to state that
the additional pay due to
Sergeant Smith in consequence
of his promotion to Overseer
1st grade will be finally
admitted by this Office
as the objection has since
been removed.

/ True copy /

W. T. Jackson

Supt. Correspondence Branch.

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Notes of Inspection
Nelson Executive Engineer's
Office and Stores
5th March 1881.

There are many jamine tools, in excess of requirements, there have been brought on the returns with the ordinary tools. The greater part are in good order, but the Executive Engineer will be glad to get rid of a large number. Nothing will be done with these surplus tools till the orders of Government are issued on the report of the Committee.

2. The stock account has been raised lately, by articles being brought on, which had been overlooked, or not entered at a money value, previous to Lieutenant Henderson taking charge of the Division. There are windows, ventilators, and other articles to the value of Rupees 327, but the Executive Engineer

Engineer expects to utilise
~~these~~ within the next 12 months.
The reduction of the stock reserves
limit, which has been recom-
-mended by the Committee for
this Division, viz Rs 1500 +,
cannot thus be effected just
at present.

3 The Office is on the old stan-
-dard plan, & was built 20
years ago. The roof is in a
bad state, and leaks very
much. An Estimate will
be prepared by the Executive
Engineer for repairs. The work-
-shop roof is also deteriorated,
but the tiled sawyer's shed
is getting into a dangerous con-
-dition, an Estimate will
be prepared for the necessa-
-ry repairs.

4 There is machinery about
the store yard which the
Executive Engineer would put
under cover, if he had any
room. Some space will be
available, if the Farming tools
are taken away. A small
store room is also required,
for the safe keeping of wood,
when cut up. An arrangement
can be made economically, by
building in, a portion of the
verandah

verandah of the Division
Store shed. An Estimate
will be made.

5 In the store yard, there
are broken pieces of wood,
amounting in all to 650 Cubic
feet, and valued at (8 annas
per foot) Rs 325. This rubbish
was put together lately by the
Executive Engineer, when the
useful wood was cleared out of
the yard, and there is nothing
else to shew for the book value
Rs 325. The system has been,
that in cutting up wood, during
several years past, the small
pieces have been valued at
the prices at which it was
thought they could subsequent-
-ly be used, but the result,
on taking stock is, that there
are 650 Cubic feet, which can-
-not be turned to account.

6 The workshop accounts used
to be separate from those of
the Division, but under the
Examiner's instructions, the ac-
-counts were amalgamated
in January 1880, there was
then a credit of Rs 3481, which
was taken over as a Provincial
credit. The fragments which
have accumulated to the book
value

value of Rs 325, nearly all belong to the workshop operations in the time during which the balance of Rs 3481 was earned by the workshop, and the loss of Rs 325 or nearly that sum, by the sale of the useless wood ought fairly to have been met, from the profits, before the latter were handed over to Provincial Funds - It will be impossible now to distribute the loss in any way to specific works, and I recom- mend that the useless wood be sold, and that the loss on stock account be written off to profit and loss.

7 The tools and stores have lately been sorted and arranged, by Lieut Henderson's orders, and they all are now stored in such a way that all tools and stores of one description are put to- gether, so that it is easy to trace what may be wanted, and to count them all. The general state in which the stores are kept is very creditable -

8 - Code para 99 b. There are Revenue Survey Maps of taluqs in the Executive En- gineer's Office -

9 Code para 1565. There are Measurement books, which are called pit-books. These

The question of the promotion of Upper Subordinate So long under dis- cussion with the Examiner has now been finally settled.

R. J. 26/3

These are in a simple and suitable form. The headings are written, and the lines ruled, by hand; it will be a saving of time and trouble, if these forms are printed.

10. Overseer Sergeant Smith represented to me, that he had not received the pay of his present grade (1st) to which he was promo- ted by the Chief Engineer's Memo No 2704 of 3rd December 1880. The Overseer had the higher rate of pay drawn for him for December, but it was retrenched by the Examiner, and disallowed subsequently -

On return to Madras, I wrote to the Examiner, asking if he had now re- moved his objection, but I see from one of his monthly Lists that he has referred the matter to the Chief Engineer.

There is, in my opinion,

something

Something wrong, when
the pay due to promotion
made by the Chief Engineer
of the Department, is
withheld by the Examiner
for 3 months.

On the reduction of the
Department, Overseers were
deprived of their writers;
and clerical work now falls
on the Executive Engineer's Office,
as an additional require-
ment. I lately expressed
my opinion that there was
a severe strain in the Ex-
ecutive Engineer's Offices
in Nellore and Cuddalore
in my letter No 2946 of the
15th January 1881, when giving
explanation of the delay in
the accounts sent to the
Examiners. The delay in
Nellore was less than in
Cuddalore, being only 1 day
on average; and in my
examination of the Office
at Nellore, I elicited from
Lieut. Henderson (he did
not

with Mr Arnold
under compilation

not offer the information)
that he has been paying an
additional clerk himself
to enable him to cope better
with his office work. This
circumstance evincing a
commendable anxiety
to escape arrears, is, I con-
sidered a strong point in
exemplification of the
difficulty experienced
in the Division Office,
in the submission of the
accounts with the existing
scale of Establishment.

Chas Henderson Esq
Lt Col R.E.

Superintending Engineer
Tat Circle

23 March 1881

To The Chief Engineer
P. W. D.
Madras.

To C. 344 ch.

Please note with regard to para 10.

by W. 28/3

28th March 1881.

TO W. No. 6 2/4/81

PLEASE SEE THE ACCOMPANYING COPY OF LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER, 1ST. CIRCLE, FROM WHICH YOU WILL OBSERVE THAT THAT OFFICER HAS ALREADY BEEN INFORMED THAT THE ADDITIONAL PAY DUE TO SERGEANT SMITH IN CONSEQUENCE OF HIS PROMOTION TO OVERSEER 1ST. GRADE WILL BE FINALLY ADMITTED BY THIS OFFICE, AS THE OBJECTION HAS SINCE BEEN REMOVED.

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W. C. 10/4/81

The Chief Engineer

Date 23rd March 1881
Recd. 24th

Notes of Inspection
Yellow Executive
Engineers Office and
Stores.

To

No 9794

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 12th April 81
Read the following:—

From the Supg. Engineer } H. E. A. d/23rd March 1881
1st Circle —

The proposal to sell the useless wood, and to write off to profit and loss, the loss on stock account is sanctioned.

2. The objection on account of overseer Sergt. Smith's pay has been removed.

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W. Henderson says
The value of the
Expense of parade
check of possible

3. The S.E. 1st Circle will report the period for which the extra clerk referred to in para 11, has been employed and the rate of salary paid to him, together with his own opinion

To The Supg. Engr
1 Circle
"Ex. P.W. A. Desad
12-4-81

opinion as to the
necessity for his
employment -
employment -

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