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LETTER—from

COLONEL R. H. SANKEY, R.E., C.B.,

*Secretary to Government, Public Works Department,
Madras,*

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

I am directed to bring to the notice of the Government of India the inconvenience that is now felt in the Madras Public Works Department owing to the inadequate provision made for absentees in the scale sanctioned for the Engineer Establishment of this Department. In the Civil Departments under this Government a proportion of 20 per cent. is allowed—*Vide* Rule I under Section 49 of the Civil Leave Code, a ruling which it is understood has lately been extended to the Ecclesiastical Department, while in the Public Works Department a proportion of only 10 per cent. has been added to the sanctioned scale for casualties of this nature, 3 Executive and 4 Assistant Engineers only having been provided for out of a total numerical scale of 92. See the Distribution Statement submitted with my letter No. 2277 W., dated 1st October 1880, also paragraph 5 of No. 1697 W., dated 9th July 1881.

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or 22 per cent. of the sanctioned scale.

3. There is moreover always a large proportion of officers on short leave, absent from ill-health, principally, whose duties have to be provided for, which, if taken into account, raises the total number of non-effective to at least 25 per cent., a matter which occasions serious embarrassment. The failure of the Civil Engineers from Cooper's Hill College in respect of health is particularly noteworthy. Of the 34 officers of this class on the rolls of the establishment there are no less than 7 absent at the present moment, and several others are known to be so out of health as to make it a matter of certainty that they must soon take leave for recovery. This circumstance does not seem abnormal as absence from failure of health of young Cooper's Hill Engineers has frequently had to be provided for in previous years.

4. I am, under these circumstances, to press earnestly on the attention of the Government of India the desirability of fixing the proportion for absentees at a figure more in consonance with actual experience, which, so far as the Public Works Department of this Presidency is concerned, approximates closely to that which has apparently been gained in the Civil Departments and in accordance with which a proportion of 20 per cent. has been allowed for absentees in those Departments.

5. Without a concession of this character it is felt that, owing to the several causes above enumerated, the establishment can never maintain the effective strength which was intended and without which it will be unable to perform satisfactorily the duties it is meant to fulfil.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) R. H. SANKEY, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

OOTACAMUNE,
10th June 1882.

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Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
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- P.W. Department -

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 Statement submitted
 with my letter No 22774
 of 1/10/00 also para 5 of No
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~~has been from little~~
~~cause, in fact failure~~
~~of health, has accounted~~
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~~varying periods during~~
~~the 5 previous years~~

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Govt. of (1882) Madras.
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