

N^o 226
E.M.

Superintg Engineer's Office 4th circle
Camp Cotacamund, 12th May/84

From

To

Sir,

Enclosure 1

Estimate.

sanctioned

Purposes

at W.

This is not

last year

which has

J. V. Beatty - Col. R.E.,
Supg Engineer, 4th circle.

Per P.O. (11)

Govt. of 1884! Madras.

TO

HIS EXCELLENCY

THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL,

FORT SAINT GEORGE,

MADRAS.

The humble Memorial of V. SOOBRAMANIA
SASTRI, Overseer, 3rd Grade, Public
Works Department, North Arcot
Division.

MOST RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH,

1. That your Memorialist entered the Department of Public Works in August 1877; and though it is now over 6 years, he still remains on the 3rd grade of overseers. In the *Fort Saint George Gazette* of 20th November last, he saw notification of promotions to 9 upper subordinates of the rank of overseers of 1st grade and supervisors of both the grades, but of none to overseers of 3rd and 2nd grades. One would expect that, if vacancies occurred in the higher grades of a branch of service, those at the bottom of that service would necessarily have a lift. But alas! This is unfortunately denied to your Memorialist and those situated like him.

2. That your Memorialist ventures to bring to your Excellency's notice the sad cause of such a denial of just reward, with the firm hope that the same will be redressed by your Excellency's benign Government.

3. That since the introduction of the apprentice-system, about 4 years ago, a number of students from the Madras Civil Engineering College have been appointed every year, directly, as apprentice overseers, 1st grade, and apprentice supervisors, 2nd grade; and, after one year's period of probation, they have been brought on to the permanent strength of the Department, on those respective grades. This has, at once, had the most unfortunate effect of stopping the promotion of deserving men on the 2nd and 3rd grades of overseers.

4. That the Government of India somehow came to be aware of the practice of direct appointments from the College to supervisors, 2nd grade; and having in view the effect that such a practice was inevitably to have, on those of the overseers grades, have recommended, to your Excellency's Government, the discontinuance of same, as will be seen from the letter of the Under Secretary to Government of India, dated Fort William, 13th March 1883, No. 414g, addressed to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department. The Government of India were probably not aware of similar direct appointments to the 1st and 2nd grades of overseers; and your Memorialist thinks, that if they had been so aware of it, they would have similarly recommended the discontinuance of this practice also.

5. That your Memorialist sees, with pleasure, though it is of no avail just yet to him and others of his class, that this recommendation of the Government of India, so far as it goes, has been cordially acted up to, by your Excellency's Government; and, accordingly, no students from the College seem to have since

73 Ha.
10-2-84



No. 84
9W.

Forwarded for the information
of the Chief Engineer and for submission
to Government if he considers it necessary.
Though other 3rd Grade Overseers may have
ground for grumbling at some of the
arrangements complained of, the
petitioner has not individually as yet
suffered seriously.

Camp Baroot } L. V. Scatty - Colonel R. E.
12th February 84 } Supg. Engineer. 4th Circle

No 317 Cay 11-2-84
 Ep. 3129 Way 5-11-83
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 No 2141 Cay do
 " 479 Cay 24-10-83
 Ep. 302: No 670 Cay 4-10-83
 No 1785 Cay 22-8-83
 No 1200 Cay 25-6-83
 Ep. 1361 Way 9-5-83
 " 976 Way 30-3-83
 " 580 Way 22-2-83
 " 571 Way do
 " 572
 " 535 Way 17-2-83
 " 108 Way 11-1-83
 " 3087 Way 18-11-82
 " 3055 Way do
 " 3008 Way 14-11-82
 " 2849 Way 30-10-82
 " 2722 Way 18-10-82
 " 2484 Way 24-8-82
 " 2183 Way do
 Ep. 302: No 204 Cay 8-8-82
 No 420 Cay 15-7-82
 Ep. 1512 Way 16-6-82
 " 1336 Way 29-5-82
 " 673 Way 16-3-82
 " 2862 Way 16-11-81
 " 2733 Way 4-11-81
 " 2703 Way 2-11-81
 " 2317 Way 6-10-80

From
 The Supg. Engineer,
 Fourth Circle.

No 457 Day 10-3-84

Dated 12th
 Decr. 13th } Feb. 1/84.

No 84
 G.H.

Forwarding for information & submission to Government a Memorial from Overseer Coobramamia Exstoy complaining regarding his backwardness to promotion.

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 23.5.84

Memorial from Overseer Coobramamia.

This memorial treats of the hardships inflicted on men of the lower grades by the direct appointment of military students to 1st grade officers.

These direct nominations of military students no doubt interfere, and interfere seriously with the prospects of the officers of 2nd & 3rd grades - the result must, however, have been foreseen and duly considered.

Para 15 of Mr. Frigg's minute of 6th Sept^r, No. 6159, on the subject of future appointments to the establishments touches on the position of military competition, but there is nothing definitely laid down as yet.

The subject is a difficult one & seems to me to call for serious consideration.

C.S.
 18-2-84

Was taken yesterday - is now submitted. - C.S.
 7-3-84

7-3-84

Cho: 1375

The appointment of
Military men to the
1st Grade of Overseers
under paras 109⁴¹¹³ of the
S.W. Code undoubtedly
has the effect of
retarding promotion
from the grades
below.

R.S.

15-2-84

C.A.W.

Please put up the minute
regarding open competition for
all grades. - I think a reference
is made therein to this matter.

C.C.

15-2-84

To B.W.

Please C.C.'s note
recorded with L.D. 313 of
18 Decr. 82 (Educational).
The particular grievance
now brought to notice
does not seem to be
provided for.

R.S.

16-2-84

No 317 Cay 11-2-84

What is the existing practice
with respect to Soldier
Students in the C. S.
College?

Is any guarantee given
of employment in the
P. W. Dept? - in any
particular grade?

J. W.

W.
7.3.84

Please see J. W.
Code paras 109 & 113.
They are guaranteed
employment in the
1st Grade.

L. S.

7.3.84.

Have those rulings
not been modified
under recent orders
from India?

Is employment now
given to every passed
Soldier Student,
without reference to
rank?

W.

7.3.84

N^o 317 C of 11-2-82

To W
Appointments are made only on condition that there are vacancies. In this connection please see G.O. 2882 W of 16 Nov: 81 and the subsequent correspondence ending with G.O. 1361 W of 9th May: 1883.

R.S.
8-3-82.

N^o 1304 W Public Works Department
Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 23rd May 1884

Read the folly:—
Memorial from V. Sookramania Sastri, Overseer 3rd grade,

P.W. Dept., dated January, 27th 1884.

Encl^{re} therein by the S.E. W Circle N^o 84 W of Feb: 12. 1884

The question of supersession of Overseers of the lower grades has engaged the attention of Government, and arrangements have been sanctioned in separate Proceedings under which a more rapid flow of promotion will be secured.

+ No 1291 W of 23-5-84

S.E. W Circle / 23/5/84

20-5-84

Govt. of 1884 Madras.

PENSION.

No: 1307 W of 23rd May 1884

Recorded

Sof J. S. S.

Issued

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 6th May 1884, No. 356.

No: 1307 W of 23rd May 1884

MAY.

Retiring Allowance.

Directing that K. Nadamuni Naidu, late sub-
overseer, Local Fund department, North Arcot,
is not at present entitled to any —, and that in the
event of his re-entertainment in the public service
his former service under Government will count
towards pension subject to certain restrictions.

No: 1304 W of 23rd May 1884

M.
23/5

Superintendent

for the order

the 20/5 - only