

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
26th September 1865*

No 615 Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel C H DICKENS,
R A , Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department,
(Establishment), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public
Works Department, dated Simla, the 23rd August 1865, No 1,438E —

SIR,

1 I am directed to forward copy of a Notification, Circular No 80 of 1865, prescribing certain further changes to be carried out in the organization of the Public Works Establishments, and which, with the approval of the Secretary of State, have been made applicable throughout India

2 I am to remark that the Government of Madras will no doubt perceive that the effect of these changes, together with those already carried out under the operation of Standing Orders Nos 85 of 1864, and 11, 12, and 13 of 1865, has, on the whole, been to improve the position of the Officers of the Department, as well as to remove the great difference in the rates of remuneration of the Civil and Military members of the Department, but there are one or two points on which I am to remark more particularly

3 The re-distribution of grades of Executive Engineers will occasion some sensible promotion to the higher grades in the Provinces immediately under the Government of India, and also, it is believed, in Madras, but the Governor General in Council requests that a Return may be supplied, with as little delay as practicable, showing the present distribution of Executive Engineers among the four grades, and the changes, if any, that will be caused by the new arrangement

4 As regards the Superintending Engineers, the Officers of this rank in Madras are all now of the first class, and their position should not be affected by the change, but in order to carry out the instructions of the Secretary of State, I am to request that the vacancies hereafter occurring may all be filled up by appointments to the second class, until the strength of the two classes is equalized

5 I am to request that a copy of the orders which may be issued by the Government of Madras, consequent upon the receipt of this letter and enclosures, may be furnished to the Government of India

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Proceedings of the Governor General of India in Council, Public Works Department, (Establishment,) dated Simla, the 23rd August 1865, Circular No 80

Revision of salaries and classes in the superior branches of the Public Works Department, introduction of maximum rates of salary for Military Officers, and re-adjustment of the proportion of grades of Executive Engineers

READ again Resolution in the Financial Department, No 3,877, dated 19th December 1864, passing under review the different proposals made in the Public Works Department for re-organization of the Engineer Establishments, and conveying approval to their adoption, subject to the sanction of the Secretary of State for India

Public Works Circular No 15 of 18th February 1865 (Standing Order No 13 of 1865), notifying so much of the changes sanctioned in the above Resolution as refers to the Assistant Engineers, and the extra allowances to be drawn by certain classes of Officers at the Presidency

Public Works Letters Nos 333F and 334E of the 18th February 1865, authorizing the extension, to the Presidencies of Madras and Bombay, of the new organization for Assistant Engineers, and grant of extra allowances at the Presidency, laid down in the above Circular

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Resolution in the Financial Department, No 3,364, dated 26th November 1864, reviewing the proposals of the Public Works Department, for re-organizing the Establishment of Upper Subordinates, and conveying sanction to those proposals

Public Works Circular No 90, dated the 19th December 1864 (Standing Order No 85 of 1864), notifying the revised organization in the Upper Subordinate Establishment sanctioned in the above Resolution, and extending it to the Presidencies of Madras and Bombay

Despatch No 23 of the 3rd March 1865, in the Public Works Department, to Her Majesty's Secretary of State, reporting for approval the changes of organization already ordered to be carried out in the Upper Subordinate Establishment, and in the Assistant Engineer Class of the Engineer Establishment, and requesting permission to carry out the further changes proposed in the organization of the Engineer Establishment

Public Works Despatch No 6 of the 8th June 1865, from Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India, replying to the above, and sanctioning the proposals made in it

Resolution in the Financial Department, No 1,174, dated the 27th March 1865, reviewing the proposals of the Public Works Department for determining a fixed Establishment of Public Works Controllers of Account, and for extending to Civil Controllers, First Class, the benefit of an increase of salary corresponding to that proposed for Civil Superintending Engineers, and conveying sanction to those proposals, subject to approval by the Secretary of State

Public Works Circular No 54 of 1865 (Standing Order No 36 of 1865), notifying so much of the above proposals as constitute a fixed Establishment of Public Works Controllers

RESOLUTION—His Excellency the Governor General in Council is now pleased to notify the changes remaining to be carried out, in order to give effect to the proposals which have been under consideration for the last two years, for completing the organization of the Upper Subordinates and Engineer Establishments of the Public Works Department, which proposals have received the sanction of Her Majesty's Secretary of State. These changes will have effect throughout India

2 *Executive and Assistant Engineers*—The rates of Civil consolidated and Military staff salary for the four grades of Executive Engineers will remain unaltered, but the following rates of maximum salary to be drawn by Military Officers holding these appointments (including their Military allowances drawn in the Public Works Department), are now established—

		RS
Executive Engineer, Fourth Grade	maximum salary	600
Ditto	Third Grade	750
Ditto	Second Grade	900
Ditto	First Grade	1 250

3 At the same time the distribution of the Executive Engineers between the four grades will be altered. Under present arrangements, two-fourteenths of the total strength belong to the first grade, three-fourteenths to the second and three-fourteenths to the third grade, and one-fourteenth to the fourth grade. The new distribution will be as follows—

I—The sanctioned number of Executive Engineers attached to a Province, or attached to all the Local Administrations taken together, will be divided by sixteen, three-sixteenths will belong to the first grade, four-sixteenths to the second and third grades each, and five-sixteenths to the fourth grade

II—Of any remainder after dividing the strength as above by sixteen, one-fourth will belong to each grade, and odd numbers will be distributed, if one to the first grade only, if two, one each to the first and second, if three, one each to the first, second, and third grades

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4 The following rates of maximum salary for Assistant Engineers, to be drawn by Military Officers in that class (including their Military allowances drawn in the Public Works Department), are established—

		RS
Assistant Engineer, Third Grade		450
Ditto	Second Grade	450
Ditto	First Grade	500

5 *Superintending Engineers*—The Officers of this rank will be divided into two classes, each class being divided into two grades, with staff salaries, maximum salaries to be drawn by Military Officers in this Department, and civil consolidated salaries as below—

RANK	MILITARY		Civil consolidated salary
	Staff salary	Maximum	
Superintending Engineer, First Class, First Grade	RS 800	RS 1,800	RS 1,600
Superintending Engineer, First Class, Second Grade	800	1,650	1,400
Superintending Engineer, Second Class, First Grade	700	1,550	1,200
Superintending Engineer, Second Class, Second Grade	700	1,350	1,000

6 The distinction of grades will affect the Military Officers only in respect of the maximum total salary to be drawn, the distinction of classes will affect their Staff salary also

7 Of the Superintending Engineers, one-half, adding one for any fraction, will belong to the first class, of those in each class, one-half, adding one for any fraction, will belong to the first grade

8 *Superintendents of Works*—The salaries of Superintendents of Works will be regulated on the same principle, with regard to the maximum to be drawn, as those of Executive and Superintending Engineers. For appointments of which the Staff salary is Rupees 700 and Rupees 800, the corresponding maximums and Civil salaries will be those of a Superintending Engineer, second class, second grade, and first class, second grade, respectively

9 *Chief Engineers*—The Chief Engineers will be divided into three classes with staff, maximum, and consolidated salaries as below—

	MILITARY		Civil consolidated
	Staff	Maximum	
Chief Engineer, First Class	RS {consolidated} 2,500	RS 2,500	RS 2,500
Ditto Second Class	1,200	2,000	2,000
Ditto Third Class	1,000	1,850	1,750

10 The Chief Engineers in Madras and Bombay, and those in Bengal, the North-Western Provinces and Punjab, will be of the first class. Of the remainder serving under the Government of India, one-half, adding one for any fraction, will belong to the second class, and the rest to the third class. The salaries attached to the two latter classes will be personal, without reference to the province or appointment in which the Chief Engineers may be serving

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11 The Chief Engineers in Hyderabad and the Straits Settlements will henceforward be classified and styled as Superintending Engineers.

12 The salary of the Chief Engineer in Sindh will form the subject of a separate reference to be made to the Government of Bombay

13 *Accounts Department* —The military, staff, and consolidated civil salaries of Controllers and Deputy Controllers will continue to be, as at present up to the rank of Controller, second class, but the total pay and allowances to be drawn by Military Officers, will be limited by the same maximums as have been fixed for the corresponding grades and classes of the Executive Branch

14 A Controller, first class, if a Military Officer, will be limited to a maximum salary of Rupees 1,800, if a Civilian, he will commence on a salary of Rupees 1,200, rising to Rupees 1,600 by annual increments of Rupees 75 per annum

15 The salary of the Accountant General will continue at Rupees 2,000 consolidated

16 *General conditions* —The foregoing changes will take effect from the 1st October next, but no reduction will be made in the salaries of those Officers who are at present in receipt of higher allowances than those now prescribed as the maximum of their grades. In the case of such Officers the change will be prospective only, and they will continue to draw their present salaries until they become entitled to an increase, by promotion to a class or grade the maximum salary of which exceeds their present allowance drawn in this Department in each case

17 The scale of consolidated and maximum salaries now fixed, is exclusive of the net Military pay drawn in the Military Department by Officers not belonging to the Staff Corps, which will be drawn in addition to the consolidated and maximum salaries herein laid down as admissible in this Department

18 The accompanying table brings into one view the new scale of salaries for all classes of the Engineer, Upper Subordinate, and Accounts Department, as now fixed by the above orders, including the changes previously made by Standing Orders Nos 85 of 1864, and 13 and 36 of 1865

Ordered that a copy of the foregoing Resolution be forwarded to all Local Governments and Administrations, for information and guidance

Also, that a copy, together with a copy of the Despatch from the Secretary of State cited above, be forwarded to the Financial Department for information

Also, that a Standing Order, embodying the above changes, be issued, and that the accompanying Table of Salaries be published in the *Gazette of India* for general information

Lieutenant-Colonel, R. A
Secretary to the Government of India, P W D

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Table showing the salaries sanctioned for Officers of the Engineer, Upper Subordinate, and Accounts Branches of the Public Works Department, with the distribution of grades and classes in proportion to total strength

ENGINEER BRANCH

Class.	Grade	MILITARY		Civil consolidated monthly salary	Remarks
		Monthly Staff salary	Maximum that can be drawn in the Public Works Department		
		RS.	RS.	RS.	
Chief Engineers		Consolidated			
1st Class		2,500	2,500	2,500	The Chief Engineers of Madras, Bombay, Bengal, the North-Western Provinces and Punjab, will belong to this class
2nd Class		1,200	2,000	2,000	One-half of the total in these two classes, adding one for any fraction, will be of the second class and the remainder of the third
3rd Class		1,000	1,850	1,750	
Superintending Engineers					One-half, adding one for any fraction, will be of the first class, of those in each class, one-half, adding one for any fraction, will belong to the first grade
1st Class	1st Grade	800	1,800	1,600	
	2nd Grade	800	1,650	1,400	
2nd Class	1st Grade	700	1,550	1,200	
	2nd Grade	700	1,350	1,000	Numbers and rates of salary within these limits fixed specially from time to time
Supts of Works		600	1,250	900	
		to	to	to	
		800	1,650	1,400	To ascertain the proportion of each grade in any total number of Executive Engineers sanctioned for any Province, divide the total by 16, $\frac{1}{16}$ will be of first grade, $\frac{1}{8}$ of second, $\frac{1}{4}$ of third, and $\frac{1}{2}$ of fourth. Of any remainder after dividing the total by 16, $\frac{1}{2}$ will belong to each grade, and odd numbers will fall, if one, to the first grade, if two, one each to the 1st and 2nd, if three, one each to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd grades
Executive Engineers	1st Grade	600	1,250	900	
	2nd Grade	500	900	750	
	3rd Grade	400	750	600	
	4th Grade	300	600	500	Of the total number of Assistant Engineers, one-third, adding one for any fraction, will be of the first grade, the remainder may be in any of the other three grades
Assistant Engineers	1st Grade	250	500	400	
	2nd Grade	200	450	300	
	3rd Grade	150	450	200	
	Apprentice			100	

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UPPER SUBORDINATE BRANCH

Class	Grade	Military monthly Staff Salary	Civil consolidated monthly salary	Remarks
		RS	RS	
Sub-Engineers	1st Grade	250	400	When the Military pay and allowances of an European Military Member of the Upper Subordinate Establishment, together with his staff salary, are less than the Civil consolidated pay of the grade he holds, so much additional staff salary will be allowed as will make his total pay equal to the Civil pay of his grade Native Soldiers appointed to the Upper Subordinate Establishment will receive pay at Civil consolidated rates Of the total number of Upper Subordinates sanctioned for a Province, the Sub-Engineers shall be one-eighth, adding one for any fraction not less than one-half. Of the Sub-Engineers, one-half, excluding fractions, shall belong to the third grade. Of the remainder, one-half, excluding fractions, shall belong to the second grade, the remainder will be of the first grade. The Supervisors shall form two-eighths of the whole Upper Subordinate Establishment, adding one for any fraction not less than one-half. Three-eighths of the Supervisors, adding one for any fraction not less than one-half, shall belong to the first grade. The rest will belong to the second grade. The rest of the Upper Subordinates will be Overseers, of whom three fifths, adding one for any fraction greater than one-half, shall belong to the first grade, one-half of the remainder, adding one for any fraction, to the second grade, the rest to the third grade.
	2nd do	200	300	
	3rd do	150	250	
Supervisors	1st Grade	120	200	
	2nd do	100	150	
Overseers	1st Grade	85	100	
	2nd do		80	
	3rd do		60	

ACCOUNTS BRANCH

Class	Grade	MILITARY		CIVIL CONSOLIDATED MONTHLY SALARY			Remarks
		Monthly Staff Salary	Maximum to be drawn in the P W D	Minimum	Annual increase	Maximum	
		RS	RS	RS	RS	RS	
Accountant General		2,000	2,000	2,000		2,000	
General Controllers		800	1,800	1,200	75	1,600	
1st Class		700	1,550	1,000		1,000	
2nd Class		600	1,250	900		900	
3rd Class	1st Grade	500	900	750		750	
	2nd Grade	400	750	600		600	
2nd Assistant Accountant General		...		600	25	700	
Deputy Controllers		300	600	500		500	
Accountants.	1st Grade			350	20	450	Mily men employed as Accountants will receive the Civil consolidated salary of their grade
	2nd Grade			250	15	310	
	3rd Grade			160	10	240	
	4th Grade			80	7	150	

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Sanctioned appointments of Controllers and Deputy Controllers

Province	Lowest Grade	Highest Grade
CONTROLLERS		
Madras	Controller, 1st Class ..	Controller, 1st Class.
Bombay	Controller, 1st Class ..	Controller, 1st Class
Bengal	Controller, 1st Class	Controller, 1st Class.
North Western Provinces	Controller, 2nd Class	Controller, 1st Class
Punjab	Controller, 2nd Class	Controller, 1st Class
Central Provinces	Controller, 3rd Class, 2nd Grade	Controller, 2nd Class
British Burmah	Controller, 3rd Class, 3rd Grade	Controller, 3rd Class, 1st Grade
Oudh	Controller, 3rd Class, 3rd Grade	Controller, 3rd Class, 2nd Grade
Mysore	Controller, 3rd Class, 3rd Grade	Controller, 3rd Class, 2nd Grade
Hyderabad	Deputy Controller	Controller, 3rd Class, 3rd Grade
DEPUTY CONTROLLERS		
Madras	Deputy Controller	Deputy Controller
Bengal		
North-Western Provinces		
Punjab		

Military Officers not belonging to the Staff Corps will draw the net Military pay of their rank in the Military Department, in addition to the consolidated or maximum salaries here laid down

No 616 ORDER THEREON, 26th September 1865, No 2,845

ESTABLISHMENT, No 58

1 Ordered that the letter from the Secretary to the Government of India above recorded, together with its enclosures, be communicated to the Superintending Engineers and the Controller of Public Works Accounts, with an intimation that as the changes therein notified in the organization of the Engineer Establishment will, on the whole, improve the position of the Officers, the Government have resolved to adopt them in this Presidency, with effect from the 1st October 1865

2 Under these orders, the distribution of the Executive and Assistant Engineers among the classes and grades prescribed will be as follows, as compared with the present Establishment —

Present			Proposed		
3	Executive Engineers,	1st Grade	6	Executive Engineers,	1st Grade
5	Do	2nd do	7	Do	2nd do.
6	Do	3rd do	6	Do	3rd do.
12	Do	4th do	7	Do	4th do.
6	Assistant Engineers,	1st do	9	Assistant Engineers,	1st do
20	Do.	2nd do	17	Do	2nd do

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3 The division of the Superintending Engineers into two classes, ordered in paragraph 4, will be carried out as vacancies occur

4 As respects the changes in the Upper Subordinate Establishment, His Excellency in Council considers that the distribution among the several classes as prescribed in the table appended to Circular No 80, above recorded, is unsuited to the organization of the Public Works Department of this Presidency. If the Taluq Overseers, 187 in number, whose employment was sanctioned by this Government in supersession of the former class of Sub-Overseers, be reckoned as Upper Subordinates, the proportion of one-eighth of the entire strength for the class of Sub-Engineer, and of two-eighths for that of Supervisor would, besides entailing a vastly increased expenditure, give numbers in those classes far in excess of actual requirements for the charge of Ranges, and leave an insufficient number of Overseers for the care of Taluqs. This will be explained to the Government of India, and sanction obtained to the present allotment in each of the classes of the Upper

	Present No	Proposed No
* Sub-Engineers, 1st Grade	3	4
Do 2nd do	2	3
Do 3rd do	9	7
Supervisors, 1st Grade	11	15
Do 2nd do	30	26

Subordinate Establishment remaining unchanged, and to the numbers in the several grades of Sub-Engineer and Supervisor respectively being fixed* in accordance with the principle of distribution laid down in the table abovementioned

5 With reference to the "Accounts Branch," the Government direct that only those portions of the table appended to Circular No 80 which relate to the salaries of the Controller and his Deputy shall be considered applicable to this Presidency

Ordered that the following letter be sent

(Here enter No 2,846, dated 26th September 1865)

(True Extract)

(Signed) J H M SHAW STEWART, Major, R E,

Under Secretary to Government

To the Superintending Engineers

- „ Controller of Public Works Accounts
- „ Special Executive Engineers
- „ Financial Department

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT SAINT GEORGE,
26th September 1865

No 2,846

No 617
From

MAJOR J H M SHAW STEWART, R E,
Under Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, P W D,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

SIR,

ESTABLISHMENT, No 59

1 I am directed by His Excellency the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter

No 1,432 dated 23rd August 1865, forwarding a copy of Circular No 80 of 1865, prescribing certain further changes in the organization of the Public Works Establishment, and requesting to be furnished with a copy of the orders which may be issued thereon by this Government

2 In reply, I am to state that His Excellency in Council, concurring in the remarks in paragraph 2 of your letter, has ordered the proposed changes, so far as respects the Engineer Establishment, to be carried out from the 1st proximo. A Statement showing the present distribution of Executive Engineers among the four grades, and the changes that will be caused by the new arrangement is enclosed.

3 The division of the Superintending Engineers into two classes, in accordance with paragraph 4 of your letter, will be carried out as vacancies occur

4 As respects the Upper Subordinate Establishment, I am to observe that the proposed distribution amongst the several classes is unsuited to the organization of the Public Works Department of this Presidency. Prior to April 1863, there were 340 men employed as Sub-Overseers, but on the re-organization of the Department, this class was abolished, and a more efficient body of Subordinates, under the designation of Taluq Overseers, was entertained instead. If the latter be reckoned as *Upper Subordinates*, which they must be, seeing that they are required to pass the test prescribed for the late Assistant Overseer grade in this Presidency, the proportion of one-eighth of the entire strength of the Upper Subordinate Establishment for the class of Sub-Engineer, and of two-eighths for that of Supervisor would, besides entailing

* Rupees 1,28,160 per annum

a vastly increased* expenditure, as shown below, give numbers in those classes far in excess of actual requirements for the charge of Ranges, and leave an insufficient number of Overseers for the care of Taluqs

Nos	Present Grades	Cost per mensm	Cost per annum	Nos	According to the Distribution prescribed in Circular No 80 of 1865	Cost per mensm	Cost per annum
	<i>Grades</i>	<i>RS</i>	<i>RS</i>		<i>Grades</i>	<i>RS</i>	<i>RS</i>
3	Sub-Engineers, 1st Grade, at Rupees 400	1,200	14,400	8	Sub-Engineers, 1st Grade, at Rupees 400	3,200	38,400
2	Do 2nd do at "	600	7,200	7	Do 2nd do at "	2,100	25,200
9	Do 3rd do at "	2,250	27,000	15	Do 3rd do at "	3,750	45,000
11	Supervisors, 1st do at "	2,200	26,400	23	Supervisors, 1st do at "	4,600	55,200
30	Do 2nd do at "	4,500	54,000	38	Do 2nd do at "	5,700	68,400
187	Taluk Overseers, at "	11,220	1,34,640	91	Overseers, 1st do at "	9,100	1,09,200
	Total		2,63,640	30	Do 2nd do at "	2,400	28,800
				30	Do 3rd do at "	1,800	21,600
					Total		3,91,800

5 Under these circumstances I am to request the sanction of the Government of India to the present allotment in each of the Upper Subordinate *classes* remaining unchanged and to the numbers in the several *grades* of Sub-Engineer

Grade	Present No	Proposed No
Sub-Engineer, 1st Grade	3	4
Do 2nd do	2	3
Do 3rd do	9	7
Supervisor 1st Grade	11	15
Do 2nd do	30	26

and Supervisor respectively being fixed in accordance with the principle of distribution laid down in the table appended to Circular No 80, above-mentioned The result of this arrangement is shown in the margin

6 A copy of the orders issued by this Government on your letter under acknowledgment is enclosed

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) J H M SHAW STEWART, Major, R E,

Under Secretary to Government

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21st May 1863*

No 507 Read the following letter from the Controller of Public Works Accounts, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Madras, 8th May 1866, No 123 —

1 I have the honor to forward, for the orders of Government, the accompanying Memorandum from the Controller of Military Finance, No 20, dated 7th instant, together with all the correspondence relating thereto. The orders of the Government of India, referred to by Colonel McGoun, have not been communicated to this Department by the Madras Government, and I am not aware therefore if they have been accepted here

2 I would further point out, that this additional charge of the pay proper of Military Engineer Officers employed in the Public Works Department has not been provided for in the Budget of this year, it is, moreover, an excess over and above the maximum salaries allowed to the several grades of the Department according to the instructions of the Government of India, which accompanied G O of the 26th September 1865, No 2,815, and further as Engineer Officers employed in the Public Works Department are not placed on a *seconded* list, I respectfully submit the orders above referred to do not apply to them

3 In conclusion, I beg to take the liberty of suggesting that when instructions are issued by the Head of one Department, affecting the Officers employed in another Department, the Head of the latter Department should be made acquainted with them, in order to steps being taken to avoid as much as possible unnecessary delay and inconvenience being caused to the Officers concerned, the first intimation I had of this charge was from Bangalore, another has since come in from Cuddapah District, and gradually I shall be hearing from all parts of the Presidency that this pay proper is refused by all Paymasters, whereas, looking at the dates on which these orders were issued, I could have arranged to pay all our Officers, provided the Government had been pleased to authorize the adoption of the plan sanctioned by the Government of India. On a former occasion a similar inconvenience had to be remedied by G O of the 24th June 1864, No 1,842

Memorandum from the Controller of Military Accounts, to the Controller of Public Works Accounts, Madras, dated Fort Saint George, 7th May 1866, No 20

Your Memorandum of 4th May 1866, No 87, enclosures herewith returned

- 1 Copy of Circular, No 39, dated 28th March 1866, and of the instructions under which that Circular was issued are herewith forwarded
- 2 The Proceedings of the Government of India on which those instructions were based appear to have been communicated to the Public Works Department

Circular from the Controller of Military Accounts, Fort Saint George, to all Paymasters, dated Fort Saint George, 28th March 1866, No. 39

Under instructions from the Government of India in the Financial Department, recorded in their Proceedings, No 613, dated 14th February 1866, I have the honor to inform you that the pay proper of all Officers seconded in the Royal Artillery and Engineers, consequent upon their

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employment in Civil Departments, or in the Department of Public Works, will in future be paid by the Department employing them

No 1,556 C

MILITARY DEPARTMENT,
Account Branch

Dated 5th March 1866

Copy of the annexed forwarded to the Controller of Military Accounts, Madras, for information and guidance

(By Order,)

Officiating Assistant Controller General
of Military Expenditure

No 613

Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India, in the Financial Department, dated 14th February 1866

Read the undermentioned papers relating to a proposition from the Controller of Military Accounts, Bengal, supported by the Accountant General in the Military Department, that the pay proper of all Officers who are seconded in the Royal Artillery and Engineers, consequent on their being in Civil employ, or in the employ of the Department of Public Works, should be paid by the Department employing them

Extract from the Proceedings of Government in the Military Department, No 137, dated 14th July 1865, and enclosures

Office Memorandum to Military Department, No 1,734, dated 3rd August 1865

Endorsement from do No 86, dated 4th December 1865

RESOLUTION

The Governor General in Council is pleased to sanction the proposition

Ordered that copies of the Resolution be sent to the Military and Public Works Departments, to the several Accountants General, and to the Deputy Accountants General in independent charge

(A true Extract)

(Signed) E H LUSHINGTON,
Secy to the Govt of India

(True Copy)

(Signed) J G TOUCH, Major,
For Controller of Military Accounts

No 508

ORDER THEREON, 21st May 1866, No 1,616

ESTABLISHMENT, No 46

1 In this letter the Controller of Public Works Accounts brings to notice that the Acting Military Paymaster of the Mysore Circle has declined to pass the pay proper of the Officers marginally noted, on the ground that it should be drawn in the Public Works Department agreeably to a Circular from the Controller of Military Accounts, wherein it is laid down that, under instructions from the Government of India, all Officers seconded in the Royal Artillery and Engineers consequent on their employ in Civil Departments or in the Public Works Department should be paid by the Department employing them

Captain Tulloch, Executive Engineer
Lieutenant Pennecuck, Assistant Engineer
Lieutenant Pennyfather, Assistant Engineer, Cuddapah

Bangalore

Financial Department, No 613, dated 14th February 1866

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2 As employment in the Public Works Department of Officers of Engineers

Vide Despatch No 74, dated 17th March 1865, communicated in Proceedings of the Government of India of the 20th May 1865, No 197, and circulated in G O of the Military Department, No 2,145, dated 8th June 1865. See also General Order Military Department, Fort William, No 321 of 1864

belonging to the establishment of this Presidency has been ruled by the Secretary of State as not necessitating their being placed on the seconded list, and as no Officer of Engineers so employed has yet been seconded, the objection of the

Paymaster of the Mysore Circle to pass the pay proper of the Officers above marginally named is clearly unfounded

3 The attention of the Controller of Military Accounts will be called to paragraph 2 of the letter from the Government of India, recorded in the Proceedings of this Government in the Public Works Department under date the 24th June 1864, and he will be requested to modify the instructions conveyed in his Circular No 39 of the 28th March 1866

No 1,842

(True Extract)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R E,
Secretary to Government.

To the Controller of Public Works Accounts

„ Do Military Accounts
„ Military Department
„ Superintending Engineers

Exd S T Augustin.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General
Establishment

READ—the following letter from A B SAMPSON, Esq, Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (General), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Simla, 21st June 1884, No 743 G —

I am directed to acknowledge your letter, No 1375 W., dated 2nd instant, pointing out that it is important, when increasing the Madras Engineer establishment by transfers from elsewhere, that the measure should be carried out in such a way that the interests of those officers already on the Madras list are not allowed to suffer. In reply, I am directed to state that, as a present arrangement, the plan will be followed of keeping officers so transferred on their own list for promotion, and this has been done in the cases of Messrs Lobb and Span, lately transferred from local administrations. But it will be necessary in this case for the Government of Madras to submit to the Government of India the half-yearly promotion rolls prescribed in paragraph 67, chapter I of the Public Works Code for officers on the local administration list, and to send recommendations to local Governments for officers who were on their lists previous to transfer.

2 I am to add that if the Secretary of State sanctions further changes in the organization of the Public Works Department, care will be taken to protect the interests of the officers serving under the local Governments to which transfers have been made.

ORDER—dated 7th July 1884, No 1690 W, Public Works

Recorded

2 The orders of the Government of India in respect to half-yearly promotion rolls in the case of officers transferred from foreign lists should be kept in view, Madras Form No 185 being submitted by officers concerned, as prescribed in paragraph 60 of the Public Works Code.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J SHAW-STEWART, Colonel, R E,
Secretary to Govt, P.W.D

To Superintending Engineers
To the Consulting Engineer for Railways
„ Engineers-in-Chief, State Railways
„ Chief Engineer for Irrigation
„ Superintendent of Works, Tank Maintenance Scheme
„ Examiner, Public Works Accounts

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PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated July, 7th

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G.O.. 7th July 1884, No. 1690 W.

JULY.

Madras Engineer Establishment

Letter from the Government of India promising that in increasing the strength of the — by transfer from other lists or otherwise care will be taken to safeguard the interests of officers already on that establishment, recorded with remarks

24TH OCTOBER 1884, No 2613 W., PUBLIC WORKS

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

General
Establishment

READ—the following papers —

From Lieutenant Colonel A T Fraser, R E, Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, dated 25th July 1884, No 112 S E
Endorsement thereon by the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle, dated 30th July 1884, No 210 T C

ORDER—dated 24th October 1884, No 2613 W, Public Works

Ordered that the application be forwarded to the Government of India.

(Here enter No 2614 W, dated 24th October 1884)

(True Extract)

(Signed) J SHAW-STEWART, Colonel, R E,
Secretary to Govt, P W D.

To the Superintending Engineer, VI Circle

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Dated October, 24th

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G.O., 24th Oct. 1884, No. 2613 W.

OCTOBER.

**Lieut.-Colonel A. T. Fraser, R.E.,
Executive Engineer**

Application from —, for retention of his
name on the Provincial list of the North-
West Provinces, ordered to be forwarded to
the Government of India

24TH OCTOBER 1884, No 2614 W, PUBLIC WORKS

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General
Establishment

LETTER—from

COLONEL J SHAW-STEWART, R E,

Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Public Works Department,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

I am directed to forward, for the consideration of the Government of India, the accompanying application from Lieutenant-Colonel A T Fraser, R E, Executive Engineer, in which he requests that, in accordance with the arrangement sanctioned in your letter, No 743 G, dated 21st June 1884, his name may be retained on the Provincial list of the North-West Provinces, on which it was borne prior to his transfer to the Madras establishment

2 Lieutenant-Colonel Fraser commenced his departmental service on the Madras establishment in 1860. He was transferred to the Hyderabad list in 1863, to the Central Provinces in 1866, to the North-West Provinces, Military Works Branch, in 1872, to the Provincial Branch in 1873, and to the Mysore Administration in 1875. In May 1879, Lieutenant-Colonel Fraser reverted to Madras, and his services were replaced at the disposal of the Military Department, whence he proceeded on furlough to Europe. On his return to Madras, in March 1881, he was reappointed to the Public Works Department as an Executive Engineer, 2nd grade, which rank he now holds

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

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

FORT ST GEORGE,
24th October 1884

Exd E Fernandez
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GENERAL
ESTABLISHMENT.

Govt. of (1884) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated October, 24th

Recd

Encl

24th Oct. 1884, No. 2614 W.

OCTOBER.

Lieut.-Colonel A. T. Fraser, R.E.,
Executive Engineer

Forwarding application from —, for
retention of his name in the Provincial list
of the North-West Provinces.

Trichinopoly Division Office
Trichinopoly 25th July 1884.

From

Lieut. Colonel A. T. Fraser R.E.,
Executive Engineer,
Trichinopoly Division

To

The Secretary to Government
Madras, P.W. D

through the Superintending Engineer,
6th Circle.

Sir,

I have the honor with reference
to Government Order No 1690 W of the 7th July,
to respectfully request in my own case
that my name may be retained on the
Government of India list, the North West
Provinces, Provincial Branch, being that
to which I belonged (before Mysore), and
in which viz. the North West Provinces
I was one of the some half dozen Senior
Executive Engineers in 1872, since which
year I have not permanently risen a grade.

2. If records are referred to it will be
found that my interests have been affected
by the unexpected changes in Mysore, caus-
ing supersession by contemporaries, and
Seniors, both on the Government of India
list, and that of Madras, and removing

with nothing compensatory the prospect
I had of succeeding to vacancies in an
establishment on which I had done con-
tinuously approved service from 1863 to
1881 or for eighteen years.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedt servt

W Fraser Lieut. Col. R.E.
Executive Engineer.

For No 210 T.C

Forwarded

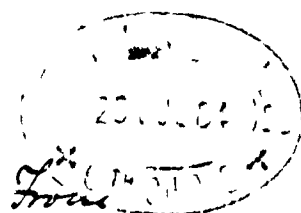
W Fraser

Supt Engineer

Trichinopoly.

30: July 1881.

G. Co. No 2963 & 2964 W. 9-11-82.
 B No 3307 W. 14-12-82.
 No 1170 " 8-1-83
 " 3600 " 5-2-83
 B No 1017 W. 3-4-83
 " 1018 " 3-4-83
 " 1366 W. 10-5-83
 G. Co. No 1375 W. 2-6-84
 " 1374 W. 2-6-84
 " 1690 W. 7-7-84
 " 2428 W. 2-10-84
 " 2006 W. 15-8-84
 " 2005 W. 15-8-84
 " 1690 W. 7-7-84



397 T.C.
 No 1479

Lt Col A. J. Fraser R.E.,
 Executive Engineer

To
 The Secretary to Government
 Madras P.W.D.
 Attn Supt. Engr. C. Crill

No 112 L.E.

Dated 25 July 1884.
 Recd 26
 Per 4/5/84

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Requests that his name may
 be retained on the Government
 of India list for reasons stated.

P.S. 40/8
 Cir: 18/10

To W.
 for orders. I fear
 it is not likely that I will
 consent to this. By
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Major A. J. Fraser
 R. E. requests with
 reference to G.O. No
 1690 W. 7.7.84. that
 his name may be
 retained, for purposes
 of promotion, on
 the N. W. Provinces,
 Govt. of India list.

Major Fraser com-
 menced his service in
 the P. W. D. on the Madras
 estate in 1860; he was
 transferred to the Hyderabad
 list in 1863; to the
 Central Provinces in
 1866; to the N. W. Provinces
 Civil Branch in 1872;
 to the N. W. Provinces
 Provincial Branch
 in 1873; & to the Mysore
 70 W.

letter of 21.6.84, which
apparently applies to
future trans fers.

For orders.

Cu
5.8.84

Is not a somewhat
unalogous case, that
of W. Target, been
forwarded to India
for consideration?

W
8.8.84

To W

Mr Target's case
is to go forward. The
papers were sent to
Madras for issue on the
5th Inst.

Major Fraser's case
does not seem quite
analogous. Major F.
originally belonged to
the Madras Establish-
ment, and the J. & S
have already declined
to entertain any claim
from that office as
against their general
list.

K.S.
8.8.84

8/8/84

2nd
English
No 2613 W P W Dept

Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 24th 7/84.
Read the following.

From

Lt Colonel A. J. Fraser R.E.
Executive Engineer PWD } (H.E. No 112 S.E. d/25th July/84)

Endorsement thereon by the
Supg Engineer VI Circle } (210 J.C. d/30th)

Ordered that the
application be forwarded
to the Government of
India.

(H.E. No 2614 d/24.5.84)
To the Secy: to the Govt of India
P. W. Dept.

Sir,
I am directed to

S.E. VI Circle.

forward, for the consideration
of the Government of India,
the accompanying application
from Lt Colonel A. J.

Fraser R.E., Executive Eng^r,
in which he requests that,
in accordance with the
arrangement sanctioned
in your letter No. 743 G
of 21st June 1884, his name
may be retained on the
Provincial list of the
N. W. Provinces, on which
it was borne prior to his
transfer to the Madras
Establishment.

Lt Colonel Fraser
commenced his departmental
service on the Madras
Estab^t in 1860. He was
transferred to the Hyderabad

list in 1863; to the Central
Provinces in 1866; to the
North West Provinces
Military Works Branch
in 1872; to the Provincial
Branch in 1873; and to
the Mysore Administration
in 1875. In May 1879,
Lt Colonel Fraser reverted
to Madras, and his
services were replaced
at the disposal of the
Military Dept^t, whence
he proceeded on furlough
to Europe. On his return
to Madras, in March
1881, he was reappointed
to the P. W. Dept^t as
an Executive Engineer
2nd grade, which rank
he now holds.

W.S.

13.10.84

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G.O. 24 Dec 1884 No 2613
2614

At Col A. J. Fraser, R.E.,

Engr.

Application from - for

retention of his name.

on the Provincial list

of the North Western

Provinces and Oudh.

As directed by the Government of India

At Col A. J. Fraser, R.E., Engr.

Application from - for

retention of his name

on the Provincial list

of the North Western

All communications
should be addressed
to the Secretary

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

GENERAL.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras
Public Works Department.

Simla, 7th November 1884.

Sir,

In reply to your letter No-2614 dated
24th October, forwarding an application from
Lieutenant Colonel A J Fraser, to be replaced
on the Provincial list of the North Western
Provinces and Oudh, for purposes of promotion,
I am directed to state that the orders conveyed
in Public Works Department letter No-743 G
dated 21st June 1884, do not apply to Lieutenant
Colonel Fraser's case

I have the honor to be,
Your most obedient servant

N.B. Buckley.

Under Secy to the Govt of India

W Department
 No. 1865 Ca/17th November/84
 Letter from the Government of India No. 1315 G
 of November 7th 1884

Recd 14/11/84


No. 1865 Ca/17-11-84

Communicated to
 the Supt. Registrar
 the order for Lieut.
 Colonel Fraser's information
 to, with reference to
 G.O. 2613 W of 24th Oct 1884

Better simply info in 21st 21st
 Fraser that the S. of D. do not
 succeed to the request in
 his letter dat. 25-7-84 20
 112.

S. E. T. 13-11-84

The S. E. VI Lieut. is
 requested to inform Lieut.
 Colonel Fraser, with
 reference to his application
 recorded with G.O. 2613 W
 of 24th October 1884, that
 the Govt. of India have
 ruled that the orders
 conveyed in their letter
 printed with G.O. 1690 W
 of 7th July 1884 do not
 apply to his case and
 that he cannot, therefore,
 be replaced on the

15-11-84

Final list of the
North Western Provinces
and Oudh for purposes
of promotion

Cd.
15-11-84

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G.O. #2614, Waj 24-10-84.
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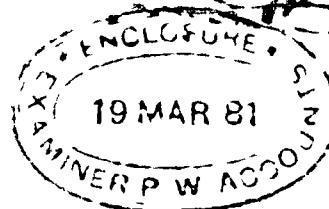
To C. No. 2912. P. & Dept

Notification

Major A. J. Fraser R.E.
will be brought on the
strength of the Madras
P. & Department on return
from furlough in the
rank of Executive Engineer
2^d grade, and will be
posted to the Second
Circle for charge of the
Chingleput Division.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

General
Establishment

No 1,507 W

No 13

FROM

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,
Public Works Department

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

SIR,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram of the 15th March, placing Colonel Chrystie, Major Fraser and Colonel Johnson at the disposal of this Government in the Public Works Department. I am to express regret that under present circumstances it is not possible for this Government to find employment for all those officers in this Department.

2 Colonel Chrystie has been brought on to the Public Works Establishment, the services of the other officers have been placed at the disposal of the Commander-in-Chief.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Major, R E,
for Secy to Govt, P W D

FORT ST GEORGE,
2nd June 1879

Exd S T Aust
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*Exd 810 of 29th March/81
L. E. Lubert*

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THE SECRETARY TO THE
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

Dated June 2nd

Issued

Recd.

Encl.

G O, 2nd June 1879, No 1,507 W

JUNE.

No 13.

STATUS of Colonel Chrystie has been
placed on the Public Works Department,
and the services of Major Fraser and
Colonel Johnson have been placed at the
disposal of the Commander-in-Chief

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

2nd June 1879, No. 1,506 W

General
Establishment

Read the following papers —

No 11 Telegram from the Secretary to the Government of India, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated 15th March 1879

In consequence of reductions in Public Works, Lieutenant-Colonel Chrystie and Major Fraser together with Colonel Johnson will be placed at your disposal

No 980

TRANSFERRED to the Military Department

By Order,

(Signed) J H M SHAW-STEWART, Col, R E,
Ag Secy to Govt, P W D.

FORT ST GEORGE,
19th March 1879

APPOINTMENTS—TRANSIERS

No 1,532

COMMUNICATED to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief

(Signed) C G MASTER,

FORT ST GEORGE,
20th March 1879

To the Adjutant General

No 11-A Proceedings of the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Establishment—General,) dated Simla, 16th May 1879, No 804 E—G

THE following is forwarded to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, in continuation of Public Works Department No 498 E—G, of 15th March 1879, with remark that, as explained in Public Works Department No 498 E—G, of 15th March, the return of Major Fraser to his own Presidency cannot be avoided in consequence of compulsory reduction of Public Works Establishments

The transfer is in the interests of the public service

By Order,

(Signed) J G THORPE,
for Under Secy to the Govt. of India

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, 2ND JUNE 1879, No 1,506 W.

Copy of Public Works Department Notification No. 230, dated 16th May 1879

The services of Major A. T. Fraser, R.E., Executive Engineer, 2nd Grade, Mysore, are placed at the disposal of the Government of Madras.

No 12

ORDER THEREON, 2nd June 1879, No. 1,506 W

ORDERED that the following letter be sent

(Here enter No. 1,507, dated 2nd June 1879)

(True Extract)

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

To the Military Department.
" Examiner of Public Works Accounts

Exd S T Austin
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ESTABLISHMENT.

Gobt. of (1879) Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

To

THE MILITARY DEPARTMENT,
&c, &c, &c

Dated June 2nd

Issued

Recd

Encl

G. O 2nd June 1879, No 1,506 W

JUNE.
Nos. 11-12.

Colonel Chrystie, Major Fraser, and
Colonel Johnson — The Government of
India addressed on the subject of the trans-
fer of — to the Madras Public Works
Establishment

MEMORANDUM

Letter Number 804 Ely.

dated the 16th May 1879

from the Government
India
from the District Engineer of

Please state how
Major Fraser Rs. is to
be provided for in the
Madras Establishment.

27.5

To W
His can he see
tell the papers circulated
today are returned?
M.P.
28/5

29/5/79

Office

draft reply to
Jf I in accordance
with the last note
by R. G. in C

Att

30/5/79

draft herewith
Jf P
31/5

Say to my /

acknowledge the facts
+ of the report. That
under present circumstances
it is ~~not~~ ^{not} ~~possible~~ ^{possible}
for the fact of
the employment for
H. in P. -

of Lewis Francis's
standing would have
seriously taxed the
ability of the Provincial
Funds in which it will
fall; but since the
receipt of the order
alluded to the difficulty
of so doing has been
enhanced to such a
degree that his Grace
is unable to see how
he can consistently
meet the requirements
of H.C. the P.P. in C in
this instance

28/1/79 *Att*

P.S. I attach copy of
a previous order in
this case

Received of the
 Treasurer of the
 Board of Education
 the sum of \$100.00
 for the year 1900

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11/10/1901

Chapter - 61

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the month, however,
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June 10/10

To His Grace the Governor
Kent 10/10

For Order

Received from the
note by His Grace the
Governor dated 26th
last in answer to
letter drafted to the
Govt declining for
the reasons assigned
to bring Major A. T.
Fraser R.E. in the
strength of the P.M.D.
Establishment in the
Presidency I herewith
attach for approval
the accompanying draft
of letter to the Secy of War
India

In doing this I trust
it may not be out of
place for me to submit
his Grace's re-consideration
of the decision in regard

Cir 2d 15/79. Rtd 31-5-79.
P. S. Hill 53 May

Fraser's Case

This Officer belonging to the Old Corps of Madras Engineers (in which I believe elected for Local Service) entered the department in ^{August} 1860 and after serving in it in Northern as well as in Southern India was promoted to 2nd Grade Executive Engineer in October 1875 in which capacity he has for some years served in Mysore as an Engineer of the Bangalore District in the late Famine. In that Province he had charge of the Mysore Railway works under the Local Engineer. Though not what I should consider all round a first class Executive Engineer he

is a most valuable man in some respects particularly in Architectural and Mechanical taste and knowledge. In Chemical and Electrical studies he must be ranked as a highly Scientific Officer. I do not wish to simplify the grounds of personal proficiency. I should say that he would be an acquisition to the Department. But as a question apart from this I should be glad if his case could be taken into consideration by the Government. The fact that all Officers of the Old Madras Corps of Engineers who like Major Fraser are strictly Local Officers and have not in any way been serving either in England or the Colonies does anything to vitiate

their status as such
 have always been held
 to have a distinct
 claim in Service in the
 R.W.D. Service
 So strongly has this
 position been maintained
 that not an Officer of the
 Old Madras Engineers
 ever held an appointment
 outside of the strictly
 professional position.
 They were even barred
 from taking service in
 the Revenue Survey Dept.
 On the other hand
 Madras Engineers thought
 for the first year of their
 Service attached to the
 Madras Quarter of Labour
 and Ammunition were not
 allowed to remain
 with the Corps as Com-
 manding Companies which
 were invariably held
 by Infantry Officers
 The Commandant

If the status of the
 Madras Engineers
 was not held
 as a distinct
 claim in Service
 in the R.W.D.
 Service
 I am not sure
 that the position
 would have been
 maintained
 They were not
 of the R.W.D.
 Service
 I do not think
 they have an actual
 right of being
 R & S but
 it is a matter
 of fact that
 they have been
 in the R.W.D.
 Service

and Adjutant alone
 were Engineer Officers
 In other words the
 department was all
 along not only looked
 upon as the home of the
 Madras Engineers, but
 they had no position or
 calling outside of it
 In fact it is understood
 that in a certain case
 a General General
 endeavored himself to the
 effect that an Engineer
 (of the Old Corps) declining
 to go into the department
 ought to be tried by
 Court Martial
 But in any case it
 would seem that the
 claims of Officers in the
 position of Major General
 are morally quite
 as strong as those of
 either the Standing
 or Colonel's title Engineers
 whose rights are pro-

-testimony by Agreement
under the 5th of June 1878

Should his Grace
be still indisposed
to assent to the
introduction of charges
I would solicit an
-direction to abort
his transfer to the
Military Department
and no more be made

Yours Obedt

29/5/78

(1/15/78)
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INDIAN TELEGRAPH.

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FROM (Station)

Simla

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OFFICIAL INSTRUCTIONS—

To (Person)

Mypore Works +

FROM (Person)

Works +

Fraser

Transferred

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Madras

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W. S. M. J.

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Telegraph.

02:11 a.m.
2-17-79
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To His Grace the Governor

For Orders

Telegram relating to
the transfer of Major
A. T. Fraser R.E. at present
Engr Engineer in charge to
Madras

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24.5.79

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for pay & allowances
from Government &
Cant. receipt office
Post Office. Madras
Communicated by
Special Order of State
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All communications
should be addressed
to the Secretary

No 814 E. G.
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
Establishment,
General.

Simla 1st May 1879.

The following is forwarded to the Secretary to
the Government of Madras Public Works De-
partment, in continuation of Public Works De-
partment No 498 E. G. of 15th March 1879, with
remark that, as explained in Public Works
Department No 498 E. G. of 15th March, the
return of Major Fraser to his own Presi-
dency cannot be avoided in consequence of
compulsory reduction of Public Works Es-
tablishments.

The transfer is in the interests of the
Public service.

By Order.

J. J. Thorpe

For Under Secretary to the Government of India

Ad

Recd 28.5.79. Del 31.5.79
Cir 27.5.79. Del 27.5.79
O. L. Sheel 5.3 May

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copy of P. W. Department Application No 230
of 15th May 1879

The services of Major A. J. Fraser R. E. &
Executive Engineer 2^d Grade Mysore, are
placed at the disposal of the Government of
Madras.

1879
No. 1506 Wd/2nd June/79
Read again telegram from
the Govt of India dt 15th March/79.
From the Govt of India (H. E. 60254.
of 16th May 1879)

Ordered that the fol-
lowing letter be sent.

H. E. No. 1507 Wd/2nd June/79

To The Secy to the
Govt of India

Sir,

I am directed to
acknowledge the receipt
of your telegram of the
15th March, placing Col.
Chrystie, Major Fraser,
and Col Johnson at
the disposal of the
Govt. in the P. W. Dept.
I am to express regret
that under present cir-
cumstances it is not
possible for this Govt.

to find employment
looky for all those officers
of 15th in this Dept.

been brought on to the
Mr. Eschschmuntz;
services of the
the other officers have
been placed at the
disposal of the Com-
mander in Chief

J.P.
30/5

Attlt

and copy Despatch 2/6/79

Despatch 650.
14.6.79

Govt. of 1879 Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

To

Dated

Issued

Recd

Encl

G 6, 2 June 1879, No. 1506 w

Nos

Col. Chrystie, Major Fraser,
and Col. Johnson. The
subject of the transfer of
to the Madras P. Works.

States that the Col.
Chrystie has been brought
on to the P. Works. and
the services of Major Fraser
& Col. Johnson have been
placed at the disposal
of the Commander-in-Chief.

To the Military Department
Examiner P. W.

Desp. 14/6/79

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

20th October 1880, No. 2,428 W

General
Establishment.

Read the following paper —

No. 90 Docket from the Government of India, Public Works Department,
(General,) dated Simla, 1st October 1880, No. 1,706 G

The following is forwarded to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public
Works Department, for information, with request that the decision of the Governor-
General in Council may receive attention on Major Fraser's return to India

(By Order)

(Signed) A B SAMPSON,
Under Secy to the Govt. of India.

From the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, to the Secretary to
the Government of Madras, Military Department, dated 1st October 1880, No. 1,705 G

In reply to your letter No. 4,505, of 7th July 1880, to the address of the Government of
India in the Military Department, forwarding a memorial from Major A. T. Fraser, Royal (late
Madras) Engineers, asking to be re-instated in the Public Works Department, I am directed to
state that on Major Fraser's return to India an early opportunity should be taken to provide
him with employment in the Public Works Department in Madras, but the Governor General
in Council cannot now assent to his being replaced in that Department merely for the purpose
of giving him special leave or additional absence allowances

No 91. ORDER THEREON, 20th October 1880, No 2,428 W

ORDERED to be recorded

(True Extract)

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

To the Military Department

Exd S T Austin
Spare Copies

GENERAL
ESTABLISHMENT.

Cobt. of (1880) Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

To

THE MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Dated October, 20th

Issued

Recd

Encl

G O, 20th October 1880, No 2,422 W

OCTOBER.

1880.

Major A T Fraser, Royal (late Madras)
Engineers — Docket from the Government
of India, Public Works Department, for-
warded for information copy of letter
addressed to the Military Department direct-
ing that on the return of — to India he
should be provided with employment in the
Public Works Department in Madras,
referred

Caw
Before sending this to the W.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

15th October 1880, No 6518

Memorials—Officers.

Read the following paper —

No 247. From A B SAMPSON, Esq, Under-Secretary to the Government of
India, Public Works Department, to Colonel J MICHAEL, CSI, Secretary
to Government, Military Department, Madras, dated Simla, 1st October
1880, No 1705-G

In reply to your letter, No 4505, of 17th July 1880, to the address of the
Government of India, in the Military Department, forwarding a memorial from
Major A T Fraser, Royal (late Madras) Engineers, asking to be reinstated in the
Public Works Department, I am directed to state that, on Major Fraser's return to
India, an early opportunity should be taken to provide him with employment in the
Public Works Department in Madras, but the Governor-General in Council can-
not now assent to his being replaced in that department merely for the purpose of
giving him special leave or additional absentee allowances

No 248 ORDER THEREON, 15th October 1880, No 6518

Communicated to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, with reference
to Proceedings of Government, No 4504, dated 17th July 1880

(True Extract)
(Signed)

J MICHAEL, Colonel,
Secretary to Government.

To the Adjutant-General

„ Public Works Department, with a copy of
Proceedings of Government, No 4504 of 1880

Exd A Raitt.

Communicating the decision of the Government of India on Major Fraser's memorial requesting to be reinstated in the Public Works Department

OCTOBER.
Nos 247-248.

Dated October, 1880

Recd

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G O A VII October 1880, No 18

To
Colt. of 118801
MILITARY.
THE ADJUTANT-GENERAL
&c, &c, &c

Mis No. 2476 Wq 27-10-80

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Ld. R.H.

Perhaps Col. Fraser might be informed that his promotion, now about to be gazetted, will date from the 1st Jan'y, and that consequently the period qualifying him for the first increment of salary as EE 1st grade has already commenced.

No further concession appears to be now feasible - so far as Madras is concerned - but Col. F. might be asked to state whether this promotion does not meet his claim as brought forward in his two last letters, or whether he wishes to urge anything further.

CS.

9.2.85

It seems to me that it will be sufficient if, after issue of coming Gazette, Lt. Colonel Fraser be referred to the fact that his promotion to 1st grade dates from 1-1-83, and that the period qualifying for his first increment of salary has already begun. W.

9.2.83

Caw

Before sending this up to W
for order it may be as well to
ascertain what correspondence
passed between the Mysore and
Madras Governments at the time
Major Fraser was transferred to
the Presidency. The order in W
is likely Department at that time
may throw some light on Major
Fraser's position — C.F.

6.1.85

Submitted, with
the correspondence
referred to above.

L.S.
7.1.85

W. C. 861

To W for order.

C.F.

7.1.85

To stand over until
after the promotions in
Exec: grades, recently
sanctioned, are made.

W. C. 861
8.1.85

From

L. Col. A. T. Fraser R.E.

To The Secretary to the Govt. of Madras
P.W.

through the Super Engineer 6th Circle

Trichinopoly

December 6. 1884

Sir,

I have the honor with reference
to Public Works Memorandum No 185C
of the 17th Nov; and letter from the
Govt of India No 1315 G dated 7th
Nov. 1884, to mention that I was
Executive Engineer 2nd grade in the
North West Province in 1873-74 and
came down on privilege leave to obtain
charge of the Nilgerry Railway Works.
I was under encouragement to accept,
being known to have studied narrow
gauge Railways while on furlough,
in Wales by permission of the India
office, and on the Continent.

2. The Railway fell through, and I
was posted to the Head Quarters Division
of the Mysore P.W. by which I was

Saved a long return journey, and about
Senior of the grade when in 1879 the
Establishments were dissipated -

3. After all precedent I should have
been posted to another Province under
the Govt of India, but from the question
being dealt with in the Foreign and
not the Public Works Department,
some misapprehension must have
occurred. I have never been able
to remove -

4. Since 1875, I have been a considerable
loser by the "Maximum Scale" regarding
which I should have nothing to
say, if the provisions of the Circular
of the Govt of India when the maximum
was promulgated in 1865 could have
been carried out. As it is, on net, ^{LS 602845} _{d/26 Sep 05}
promotion I shall not only have
a mere nominal Staff Salary,
but less than now owing to aug-
mented Service fund subscription -

5. All the consideration I can attempt
to ask, in the circumstances, the Govt
of Madras is, that my name may

be entered in the departmental list in
italics as 1st grade Executive Engineer
purely (Honoris Causa). It is not only
unlikely that I should have been
nearly twelve years attaining this
grade either in the N. W. Provinces
but I find that while the average
Service of the Second grade Engineers
in Madras is, including fractions,
seventeen, mine is twenty four years.

6. There is nothing in the graded list
to indicate that the cause is four years
in the Mysore P.W.D., which have cost
me rather dear, and the longer Service
would be apt to be set down to having
had an unusual amount of leave.

7. I would also request that as after
the full average time spent in
the 1st grade and an allowance
of furlough there would only be
two or three years left in which
I could attain anything higher.

Please send
para: 535-?
JP.
11/22/26-

Your most obt^d Servant

Executive Engineer, Kachinapog²

Forwarded.

Superintendent, Engineer

8: December 8th.

C. 2c: 10, 736

C.S.
S. I. B.

To W. Case of Lt Col Frazer

His case is an illustration of the proverbial rolling-stone, & seems to me a very hard one. He entered the headvas P.W.D. in 1860, was transferred to the J of S list in 1863, and subsequently served in several Provinces, until he found his way back to headvas P.W.D. in 1881 as the Engineer, 2^d grade. His position compares very unfavorably with the great majority of Officers of his own standing, and that, he alleges, through no fault of his own, but because of his returning to the headvas list in 1881, as an 2^d. 2^d grade. Had he remained on the Local Administration list, to which he belonged before the reduction of his pay, no doubt he would now be a 1st grade — would have been one some years, I should say.

He will gain nothing pecuniary by promotion now, & the boon he asks for is not much.

It is that he be allowed to count
from the present the period which qualifies
an E. E. 1st grade for an increment of
salary. Also that in the Classified List a
satisfactory remark be entered opposite
his name.

Col. Fraser is wrong in assuming that the rule regarding increments is that an I. S. 1st Grade can draw Rs 100 additional salary after 5 years service.

P. H. Dept.

Memorandum.

Indorsement of the Supt Engineer
VI Circle No: 454 J.C dated 8th Dec 84 on
letter from Lt. Colonel A. T. Fraser R.E.
dated 6th December 1884.

The following
passage in the
letter from Lieut.
Col. Fraser, forwarded
by the Supt Engineer
with his indorsement
quoted above, are
not understood. It
is requested that
they may be fully
explained

Para 4. "Since 1872
"I have been a consi-
"derable loser by the

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From
Lt. Colonel A. T. Fraser R.E.,
Executive Engineer

To
The Secretary to Govt
P. H. D
Madras

thru the Supt Engineer,
6th Circle.

Dated 6th }
Recd 8th } December 1884.



Requests that for reasons
stated his name may be
entered in the Departmental
list in italics as 1st Grade
Executive Engineer (Honoris
Causa).

An E. & 1st grade can, provided he
surrender all claim to further promotion,
draw Rs 50 after 4 years service in
that grade, and a further increase of
Rs 50 after another 4 years.

The question would, I think, have
to be laid before the Govt of India, as
the honours for it is not competent
to deal with it.

Cd
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maximum scale,
regarding which I
should have nothing
to say, if the provisions
of the Circular of the
Govt of India when
the maximum was
promulgated in 1865,
could have been
carried out.

This is not clear in
what way the pro-
visions of the Circular
have failed. In
their effect as regards
Lieut Colonel Fraser.

Para 7 "I might be
allowed to count,
from at present,
the five years qual-
ifying for the

"Compensation addition
to staff salary under
whatever Government
employed"

The nature of the
"compensation addition
to staff salary" referred
to above should be
explained, and the
rule ^{qualifying for same after} ~~fracture~~ ^{which}
^{5 years service} ~~is claimed~~, quoted

Cd.

13.12.84

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13.12.84

S.E. II Circle.

per 10/12/14

R.S.

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Trichinopoly

23rd December 1884

From

Lt Col A. T Fraser R.E.
Executive Engineer

Trichinopoly

To
The Secretary to the Govt of
Madras - P.W.D.

Sir
I have the honor with reference
to your office Memorandum No.
2082 C of the 16th Dec? Calling
for paragraphs 4 & 7 of my letter
of the 6th December not quite un-
derstood to be fully explained,
I have the honor to respectfully
submit the following explanatory remarks.
2. About 1865 when departmental
Salaries were consolidated (General
Strachey being at the time Secretary
to Govt) the alternative was
offered to Royal Engineers of
selecting the old scale of Staff

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Salaries in preference to the new consolidated salaries, which, though they afforded to some, advantages, might press inconveniently upon others. At the same time a maximum to be drawn in the Public Works Dept. was introduced for each grade, & a circular was issued by the Govt. of India, of which I have no copy, but remember the contents perfectly, which detailed the principles upon which the maximum had been calculated, and it was necessary to do this, because by former practice under the East India Company Engineers always drew their salary in full, as the Staff Corps do now, in addition to the Military pay & allowances of their rank.

3 - This Circular distinctly laid down that the maximum

2.0.5.5.1/26 Sept 65?

Scale contemplated that members of the Department would, one with another, attain the 1st Executive grade when Majors Junior of their rank, the lower grades of Supt. of Works or Superintending Engineer as Senior Majors, and higher grades as Lt. Colonels and Colonels, and although there could be no express guarantee in such a question, the Circular conveyed ^{me} to the decided impression that it would be unlikely while under the Govt. of India I could lose much by the operation of the maximum, and made my decision accordingly, to draw the old Scale of Staff Salary in addition to the pay and allowances of my rank -

4 - As mentioned, I was Executive Engineer 2nd grade in the North West Provinces in 1872 and have been so (except for three or four months) since ^{and} have regularly

40. lost Rupees 177 monthly under the maximum since promotion to Major in 1875, the exact amount being ascertainable from the Warman.

5. What I meant to be understood by my para 4, is, that I would not consider that I had anything to speak of had my average departmental grading kept pace with that indicated as the "ordinary rate" in the Government of India Circular alluded to.

6. As a fact however I have been I may say in the same grade for eleven years, and after a service of twenty four years in the department have not reached the first grade of Executive Engineer.

7. How this came about

is as follows. Up to 1871 I was on the list of India but fell on the minor administrations, viz Hyderabad, Central India, and Rajputana, the Central Provinces, Mysore, and Burmah, and received no promotion in time, and I have been in all these administrations except Burmah, without retardation of my prospects:

8. Subsequently this arrangement was broken up, a number on the list, myself among them, were transferred to the New Building Works Branch. I was in the Special Works and posted Executive Engineer Peshawar in 1871 though I joined elsewhere. Being applied for by the Govt of the N W P in 1872 I joined their list, and as Superintending Engineers are on a general list for promotion under the Govt of India, changing from one Administration to

at Rupees 144 monthly under
to another I did not anticipate, nor did it, affect promotion.

9 - The provisions of the Govt of India Circular were thus carried out I consider, even while under the Mysore Administration, that I lost a little under the maximum.

10 When however Mysore was handed back in 1879, the chief Engineer at the time happened to be a Staff Corps officer, imperfectly aware of the claims and privileges of the Engineer Branch of the Service, and the Chief Commissioner still less, so that instead of being retained as shown I think have been the case in the Gradation list of the Public Works Establishments under the Govt of India, I was treated by the Foreign office as if I belonged to the Mysore Commission, and not even

offered Special Leave. In consequence I have been superseded right and left by those who used to rise with me on the Govt of India Minor Administration list, the Military Works, and the N. W. P. list, so much so that, it will be found that those who were my Assistant Engineers are now in higher grades than I am myself.

11 It being now a days all one Service, being superseded simply on account of serving four years in the Mysore P.W.D. seems unusual, and would be the principle of departmental promotion depending on being in one place most of the time of one's Service - that the 1st grade of Executive Engineer is one that every efficient member of the P.W.D. can look forward to, while the grades beyond are entirely to be attained by selection, has I think been laid down in

Govt of India: Notification from
time to time -

12. In para 7, after stating
that I was classed in the 2nd
grade, the rest of whom have
on an average much less service,
I requested that to obtain the benefit
of the Govt of India ruling (the
exact No and date of the Circular
I do not recollect, it was about
1871) that an Executive Engineer
1st grade might draw Rs 100
additional salary after five
years in that grade its provisions
might be placed within reach
by inserting my name in that
grade in italics, and I did so
because under the 55 years
rule I have only a certain number
of years still to serve, 24 of
which have only taken me
up to 2nd grade Executive Engineer,
and allowing the average time

vide para 535 of
P.W. Code -

in the 1st grade, and some further,
I need have only a year or two
left for succession to any thing higher
13. Besides there is no doubt that
without some qualifying remark
in the classified list, the appearance
of my name as 2nd Grade among
Second grade Executive Engineers
after seven years less average service,
a grade below that the Govt
of India have said it is desirable
should be attained by every one
in at least twenty years service,
is suggestive, and what I need
bring forward is, briefly, that
for financial reasons only, I am
styled, after twenty four years
in the department, a 2nd Grade
Executive Engineer, and am besides
out of ^{the} line of succession to
vacancies caused even by
retirements of some of those
on the Madras list above

me

Govt employed under the Govt of India
which would make early removal
of this stigma probable —

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedt Servt

W Fraser L Co R R

Executive Engineer

Through the Sup^g Engineer's Office, with
reference to his No 472 T.C of the 18th instant
by W herewith returned.

23.12.84

No. 485.T.C

Forwarded.

 L Co R R
Sup^g Engineer B. B.

24/12/84.

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Hardly know
what circular Col^l
Fraser alludes to.
He gives neither
No nor date and
we have no re-
cords here of 1865-
Have gone through
our Index of 1865 &
can find nothing
on the general
subject of Salaries.
In the index of
1866 I have found
G.O. No 1616 of 21-5-66
but this does not
seem to be what
is wanted. Perhaps
the G.O. quoted in
para 2 of the Controller's
letter at page 2168
of the volume herewith
sent may contain
something on the
subject. It seems
almost useless to
send the paper
to the General
Records as it is
not likely to be necessary.

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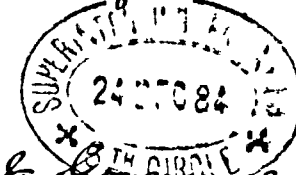
Under date the 23rd Dec 84

Read the following

Letter from Lt Col: A. J.
Fraser R.E. Ex: Engr: H.E. No. — of 6th December/84
Encl^d thereon by the Suptg:
Engineer. II Circle — " — 454.TC of 8th December/84
Letter from Lt Col: A. J.
Fraser R.E. Ex: Engr " — " — of 23rd December/84
Encl^d thereon by the Suptg " — " 485.TC of 24th Decr/84
Engineer II Circle

Lt Col. Fraser is
referred to the Fort St.
George Gazette of the
10th February 1885, in which
his promotion to the
rank of Executive Engr:

From
Lieut. Col. A. J. Fraser R.E.,
Executive Engineer.
To
The Secretary to Government
P.W. & D.
Thro' the Sup^r Engineer,
Ist Circle.



Dated 23rd }
Rec^d 27 } December 1884.

Submits further explanation
required regarding his letter
dated the 6th Decr/84 anent
his promotion as Executive
Engineer 1st grade.

1st grade is notified in the
effect from the 1st

January 1885. The period
qualifying for the
first increment of
salary, under para 535
of the P.W. Code, has
thus already begun.

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