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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

No. 2378W

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 18th September/86.

READ the following

Letter from the Examr. P.W.A. H.C No. 31W d/ 19.5.86
—— Do —— Do — " No. 62W d/ 30.7.86.
Office Note - Do. —— D. — " No. 321 d/ 30.7.86.
Letter from the Executive Engineer Chingleput Division
H.E. No. 3137 d/ 23.8.86.
Endt. thereon by the Supg. Engineer V Circle No. 2610 d/2.9.86

Captain Langley's explanation is accepted, it being evident that the accountant - who has since been dismissed - made false statements and purposely misled both the relieved and relieving officers

2 It is however considered that the relieving officer, Mr. Hamman is to blame in not having taken steps to satisfy himself that the

statements

Statements made by the Accountant were correct and there is no excuse for carelessness in the fact that the office was examined by the Deputy Examiner between the dates of preparation and submission of the report.

~~The Hon. H. E. [illegible]~~

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10/9/86.

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No. 2378 W of 18th Septr/86

To
The Supdg. Engr. I Circle,
" " Supdg. Engr. V Circle
" " Exam P. W. Accts.
with transfer report.
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No 2378 W of 18/9/86
" 2777 C. 13.8.86
" 1963 C. 28.5.86

No. 4145 C.

Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

Chepâk, 23rd Novr 1886.

OFFICE NOTE.

From D.W.

To C

Please furnish for reference the original transfer report returned to you with G.O. No 2378 W dated 18th Septr/86.

(Sd) W.L.C.
D.W.

Desp 23-11-86.

rec 27th

W

If as would appear from his explanation in letter No 1712 of 9th October 1886 Mr [illegible] did not sign the transfer certificate on the day that he relieved Capt [illegible] vide 13th para. the Govt ~~[illegible]~~ exonerate him from the charge of carelessness, but it was an error in judgment to assume that it was unnecessary to send in the transfer certificate in the usual manner.

24.11.86

Draft order accordingly

24/11/86. CAW

No. 4145 C.

Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

Chepâk, 23rd Novr 1886.

OFFICE NOTE.

From D.W. R.N 525
24-11-86

To C.

Please furnish for reference the original transfer report returned to you with G.O. No 2378. W. dated 18th Septr: 86.

22.11.

D.W.
22.11.86.

To No 594 / 25-11-86 Endorsement
Herewith

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Desp 26/11/86

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Rd 26.11.86

Please forward for reference the original Board report referred to in G.O. No 2378 W dated 18th Sept 86

No 1712

Rushikulya Division Office
Berhampore 9th October 1886
Despd 9-10-86.

From
The Executive Engineer
Rushikulya Division

To
The Secretary to Government
Public Works Depart.
Thro' the Supg. Engr. 1st Circle

Enclosure one
One Supg Engr's endorsement No 5249 N d/ 2-10-86.

Sir,

I have the honour to point out that G. O. No 2378 W dated 18th September 1886 appears to have been written under a misapprehension of the facts of the case.

2. Para 1 states that both the relieving and relieved officers were misled by the Accountant. This statement is only correct as far as the relieved officer Captain Langley is concerned. There is nothing in the entire correspondence to show that I was misled or imposed on in any way. The Accountant certainly tried his best to mislead me but he failed signally and with rather

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disasterous results to himself -

3. Para 2 states that I am to blame for not having satisfied myself of the Correctness of the Accountants replies to the Queries in the transfer report. It was impossible for me to satisfy myself of their Correctness from the nature of the case but I fully satisfied myself of their incorrectness and what is more and a much more difficult matter to do I satisfied the Chief Engineer that the replies were not only incorrect but wilfully so. As pointed out by Captain Langley in his letter No 3137 d/23-8-86 on the very day of his departure I got a letter from the Executive Engineer Vizagapatam Division which showed that at least one answer was incorrect and with my knowledge of the Accountants antecedents this quite satisfied me that answers to the queries generally were unreliable. It however took me some months to establish the Charges against him. In the meantime I had submitted more than one special report to the Superintending Engineer on the disorganized state of the Office. All the time that I could spare from more important duties connected with the charge of two separate Divisions and the revision of the Rushikulya project was devoted to the elucidation of affairs in this Office - In clearing off arrears and in making special reports on the subject of these arrears and in doing this I was thwarted (not misled though) in every way by the Accountant who not only intercepted letters but actually falsified the Despatch Register. I am still clearing off these arrears and submitting Completion reports for works which should have been submitted two years ago -

4. I shall feel obliged by your laying these remarks before Government with a view to their rescinding the Censure conveyed in the G. O. under reference or in case these Explanations are not Considered sufficient I trust that I may get an opportunity of defending myself against the Charge of Carelessness by being informed what I should have done that I have left undone –

5. In case my not submitting a revised transfer report is the cause of the Censure of Government I beg to point out that I thought that the Affairs of the Office being under investigation, it having been Examined by the Deputy Examiner and special reports and Explanations on its Condition having been submitted by me to the Superintending Engineer and finally the Superintending Engineer

himself

himself having Examined it, that the Submission of a transfer report which is simply a report to show the Condition of an Office when a transfer of Officers takes place was under the circumstances superfluous and unnecessary. At most its non-submission was an error of judgement not meriting the Censure of Government.

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your most obt. Servant

J Hammett
Executive Engineer
Rushikulya Dn

501 G.N.
17-10-86

From

The Executive Engineer
Rushikulya Division

To

The Secretary to Government
Public works Department
Thro' Supg. Engr. 1st Circle

Dated 9th
Despd 9th } October 1886
Received

Recd
P.W. 9004/86

No. 1712.

Enclosures One

J. Hannan Esquire

Submits explanation with a view to the Government rescinding the censure conveyed in their order on — owing to the late affairs of the Ganjam Division

[illegible] 21/11/86

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22-10-86

No. 643. G.N.

FROM

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER

FIRST CIRCLE.

TO

THE CHIEF ENGINEER P. Wd. Department ~~FOR IRRIGATION.~~

DOWLAISHWARAM, 6th November 1886
Despd 11-11-86.

Encl. 1.
1 No. 1712 of 9-10-86
from Mr. Hannan
I

SIR,

× No. 1712-9-10-86.

I have the honor to forward herewith a letter× from Mr. Hannan with reference to G.O No. 2378 W. 18-9-86.

2. It seems to me that Mr. Hannan is correct in saying he was more thwarted than misled by the Accountant.

3. Mr. Hannan's excuse for not sending in any transfer report I must confess I do not understand; even had the Examiner & the Supg. Engineer just examined the Office a transfer report would have been necessary, but as a matter of fact the Deputy Examiner did not examine the Office till nearly 2 months, & the Supg. Engineer not till more than 3 months, after the date× of the transfer,

× 13-1-86.

when the transfer report (which has never been sent) should have been immediately sent in.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your most obedient Servt

C. Ewald

Supt Engr 1st Circle.

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P.W.C. No. 9004✓

FROM,

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER
FIRST CIRCLE.

TO,

THE CHIEF ENGINEER
P.W. Department
~~FOR IRRIGATION.~~

DATED 6th
DESPATCHED 11
RECEIVED 18 } November 1886

No. 643 Gl.

SECRETARY TO GOVT IN P.W. DEPARTMENT
18 NOV 86

ENCLOSURES. one.

No. 4145 ca/ 23rd Novr/86

Discrepancies of late Ganjam Dn —
Submits Mr. Hannan's explanation regarding —

For orders
20.11.86

Cro 6905: Oct 13/89

Capt Langley's explanation may be accepted, as it is evident that the wrong numbers entered in the transfer certificate were due to the Accountant (since dismissed) having suppressed some letters, & withheld them so that it was impossible for the E.E. to know the true state of the office

6/12/86

order

Capt Langley's explanation is accepted, it being evident that the Accountant – who has since been dismissed – made false statements & purposely misled

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The facts are as stated by A. D. W.

The transfer report seems to have been made up by the Accountant (since dismissed) and to have been signed by both the relieving and relieved officer without the books and records being examined.

The Certificate was signed in Jany. 1886 but the relieving officer Mr. Hannan apparently thought that it was unnecessary to forward it as the office was going to be inspected by the Deputy Examiner. but C points out in his No. 31W dated 19th May 1886 that at the time Mr. Hannan took charge he must have been wholly unaware that the Deputy Examiner was likely to visit the Division

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It would seem that after the transfer certificate was made out, the irregularities practised by the Accountant were discovered and therefore Mr. Hannen went over the transfer certificate carefully and made red ink remarks and in many cases contradicted flatly what had been previously written and apparently signed by himself the date was also altered January being struck out and 16th April inserted

It is a doubtful point whether the certificate was signed by Mr. Hannen in January or April. Perhaps Captn. Langley might be asked ~~how~~ when he signed the certificate which was afterwards found by the relieving officer to be full of incorrect statements.

The certificate might be forwarded to Captain Langley and he might be asked whether it was signed by Mr. Hannen at the same time as he himself signed it.

4/8/86

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Note by DW

COPY OF LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RUSHIKULYA DIVISION, TO THE EXAMINER, P.W.ACCOUNTS, MADRAS, NO.$\frac{31}{C}$ DATED, CAMP SEERADA, 16TH APRIL 1886.

TRANSFER REPORT OR REPORT ON THE RELIEF OF EXECUTIVE ENGINEER CAPTAIN L.LANGLEY R.E. BY EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, MR.HANNAN DATED 13TH JANUARY 1886.

I HAVE THE HONOR TO FORWARD HEREWITH THE TRANSFER REPORT MARGINALLY NOTED.

THE ANSWERS TO QUERIES IN BLACK INK ARE THOSE MADE BY ACCOUNTANT NAGAYYA REDI. THOSE IN RED.INK ARE MADE BY ME AFTER EXAMINATION OF THE OFFICE. YOU CAN CALL UPON CAPT.LANGLEY FOR HIS EXPLANATION IF YOU CONSIDER THERE IS NOW ANY USE IN DOING SO.

2. IT WAS THOUGHT THAT MR.HEAVEN'S EXAMINATION OF THE OFFICE SUPERSEDED THE NECESSITY FOR THE REPORT OF TRANSFER AS THE OBJECT OF SUCH A REPORT IS TO BRING TO LIGHT THE CONDITION OF THE OFFICE AND THIS HAD BEEN EFFECTUALLY DONE BY HIM. THE ONLY THING TO BE REGRETTED IS THAT HE WAS NOT SENT SIX MONTHS SOONER.

ENDORSEMENT ON THE ABOVE.

ENDORSEMENT NO.45 S.E.1ST.DATED 18TH MAY 1886.

RETURNED TO THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER WITH REMARKS THROUGH THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER, 1ST CIRCLE, THROUGH WHOM THIS TRANSFER REPORT SHOULD HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED TO THIS OFFICE.

CERTIFICATES A & B REFERRED TO IN CODE PARA 404

TOGETHER WITH THE DETAILED LIST OF SURVEYING AND MATHEMATICAL INSTRUMENTS REFERRED TO IN CODE PARA 405 HAVE NOT BEEN RECEIVED WITH THIS REPORT. A LIST OF UNUSED CHEQUES SHOULD ALSO HAVE ACCOMPANIED *it*.

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SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER'S ATTENTION IS DRAWN TO THE FACT THAT THOUGH THE COLUMN FOR 'EXPLANATION WHEN NECESSARY BY RELIEVED OFFICER' IS SIGNED BY CAPT. LANGLEY ON THE 13TH JANUARY 1886 THE 'REPLIES BY RELIEVING OFFICER' ARE DATED 16TH APRIL 1886 - WHILE THE TRANSFER OF THE DIVISION TOOK PLACE ON 13TH JANUARY 1886. THE TRANSFER REPORT IS PRACTICALLY USELESS AS WILL BE SEEN FROM THE MANY CONTRADICTORY BLACK AND RED INK ENTRIES SENT AS REPLIES BY RELIEVING OFFICER AND WANT OF ANY EXPLANATION BY THE RELIEVED OFFICER.

Enclosure retained.

(TRUE COPIES.)

G. E. Hatton
SUPT. CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH.

Cw
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Copy of letter from the Superintending Engineer, Ist. Circle, to the Examiner, P. W. Accounts, No. 298 G. N. dated 2Ist. July 1886.

With reference to your letter No. 100 S. E. Ist. dated 24th. June 1886, I have the honor to return the transfer report of the Rushikulya Division received with your No. 45 S. E. Ist. dated 18th. May 1886, which was sent to the Divisional Officer with this Office endorsement (No. 113 G. N. dated 28th. May 1886) as follows:-

" Forwarded to the Executive Engineer who should pay attention to the Examiner's remarks in future".

(True Copy)

G. E. Hatton
Suptt. Correspondence Branch.

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N.B.—In any future communication on this subject, the number and date of this letter should be quoted.

[C. No. 2.]

No. 31-W.

From

THE EXAMINER,
PUBLIC WORKS ACCOUNTS,
MADRAS,

To

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department.

Madras, 19° May 1886.

Sir,

With reference to para 8 of my letter No. 140 W. dated 20th March 1886, I have the honor to forward for information of Government copy of letter No. 31 C dated 16th April 1886 from Mr. Hannan, Executive Engineer Rushikulya Division.

2. The Transfer Report has been sent by me to the Superintending Engineer through whom it should have reached me.

3. Mr. Hannan points out that "the object of such a report is to bring to light the condition of the office", yet though Mr. Hannan took charge of the office on the 13th January 1886, he did not prepare any Transfer Report, and was at that date wholly unaware that Mr. Heaven was likely to visit the Division.

4. I may remark that the form sent bears Captain Langley's signature under date 13th January 1886, the black ink entries referred to were made in the same month, the red ink entries generally contradict the black ink ones and

refer to a date in April and are those which Mr. Hannan acknowledges, and regarding which he suggests I might obtain Captain Langley's explanation.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant,

D. C. Gordon

Examiner P. W. Accounts,
Madras.

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No. 1963 C of 28th May 1886.

To C.

Please resubmit this letter accompanied by the Transfer Report on receipt of the letter from Supdg. Engineer.

25-5-86 W.

21-5-1886

EXAMINER
No.
31 MAY 1886
ENCLOSURES
P. W. ACCOUNTS

From

The Examiner P. W. Accounts,

Madras.

To

The Secy. to Government,

Public Works Department.

No 31 W

Dated 19 May 1886.

Recd. 20

Enclosure - 1.

Forwards for information of Government copy of letter No. 310 dated 16th April 1886 from Mr Hannan Executive Engineer Rushikulya Division.

AGL. 109/5.

C. 21.5.86 A. 27.5.86

[C. No. 8.]

GOVT. OF MADRAS. } 1886. { P. W DEPT

EXAMINER, P. W. ACCOUNTS.

Madras, 30th. July 1886.

Office Note No. 321.

To W.

Encl.-2.

Your O. N. No. 1963 C. dated 28th. May 1886.

Resubmitted as desired, and further reference made in this office No. 62 W. dated 30th. July 1886.

C.

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Keep-with Genl. No.

dated 188 .

Regd No. 2745
13-8-86

No. 2777C of 13th August 1886.

Referred to the Suptg: Engineer V Circle, who will call on Captn. Langley to explain his signature to a transfer report which was afterwards found by the relieving officer to be full of incorrect statements.

Captn. Langley should also state whether the document was signed by Mr. Hannan at the same time with himself.

J. [illegible]
Col. R.E.
11-8-86
Secy: to Govt. P.W.D.

13/8/86

O.G.S. 18/8.
C-11.8.86 R.13.8.86

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Referred

[C. No. 2.]

N.B.—In any future communication on this subject, the number and date of this letter should be quoted.

No. 62 W.

From

THE EXAMINER,
PUBLIC WORKS ACCOUNTS,
MADRAS.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department.

Madras, 30th July 1886

Sir,

In continuation of my No. 31 W. dated 19th May 1886, I have the honor to forward for information and orders of Government the following papers:-

Transfer Report, Rushikulya Division, the subject of above.
Copy of this Office endorsement No. 45 S. E. Ist. dated 18th May 1886.
Copy of letter No. 298 G. N. dated 21st. July 1886 from the Superintending Engineer, Ist. Circle.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant.

Examiner P. W. Accounts.

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From,
The Examiner P. W. Accounts
Madras.
To
The Secretary to Government
P. W. Department.

No. 624

Dated 30 July 1886.
Recd. 2/8/86

Enclos. 3.

Transfer Report, Rushikulya Division. Forwards for information and orders of Govt. ---------

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Copy of letter from the Executive Engineer Rushikulya Division, to the Examiner P. W. Accounts Madras, No. $\frac{31}{6}$ dated Camp Seerada 16th April 1886.

Transfer Report or Report on the relief of Executive Engineer Capt. L. Langley R. E. by Executive Engineer Mr Hannan dated 13th January 1886.

I have the honor to forward herewith the Transfer Report marginally noted. The answers to queries in black ink are those made by Accountant Nagayya Reddi. Those in red ink are made by me after examination of the Office. You can call upon Capt. Langley for his explanation if you consider there is now any use in doing so.

2. It was thought that Mr. Heaven's examination of the Office superseded the necessity for the report of transfer, as the object of such a report is to bring to light the condition of the office, and this had been effectually done by him, the only thing to be regretted is that he was not sent six mnths sooner.

(True Copy)

G. E. Patton
Supt. Correspondence Branch.

E. P. 19/5.
J. W. S. 19/5.

13-8-86

ENCLOSURE
31 MAY 86
EXAMINER, P.W. ACCOUNTS.

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No. 3137

Chinglepit Division Office
23d August 1886.
despd 30th

FROM

THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,
CHINGLEPUT DIVISION.

TO

THE Superintending Engineer
Fifth Circle

SIR,

Your No 2266 dated 14th instt

Enclosures 7.

In reply to the above enclosing endorsement No 2777C of 13th instt by the Secretary to Government P.W.D, I have the honour to state as follows.

2. The discrepancies between the answers to which I signed and those now found to be correct are almost entirely due to the fact of the Accountant havin suppressed letters from the Examiner and other Officers, an partly due to the fact of his having failed to despatch paper which I had signed. I am informed by Mr Hannan that he found several papers in the Office

igned by me which should ave been despatched. For instance I believe I signed some of the completion reports said to be due, and I am sure I signed the Half-Yearly return of Tools and Plant for September last. As regards the fact of transfer advices not having been attended to it appeared from a registered letter from the Executive Engineer Vizagapatam, received by Mr Hamman on the morning of the 15th January, just before I left Berhampore, that the Executive Engineer Vizagapatam had sent a transfer advice and six reminders about it, not one of which had ever reached Mr Wood, Mr Hamman, or myself. his was the first intimation received in the Ganjam Divisional ffice that correspondence had been intercepted, and this was after I had given over charge so that I had no reason for doubting the correctness of the replies furnished by the Accountant.

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3. I do not remember whethe Mr Hamman signed the transf report at the same time that I signed it. All documents returned herewith.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your Most Obedt Servant
L Langley Captn R.E
Executive Engineer, Chdn

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" 1968C. 28.5.86

Enclosures.
7 returned.

No. 2610

Forwarded to the Chief Engineer P.W. Department with reference to his endorsement No. 2777 C/ dated 13th August 1886.

WHBurton
Col. R.E.
Supg: Engineer
5th Circle.

2nd September 1886.

C. 7.9.86 R. 13.9.86

R.No. 3057
31-8-86

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Recd 6/9/86

From,

The Executive Engineer
Chengleput Dn.

To

The Supg. Engineer
5th Circle

No. 3137
Dated 23rd } August/86
Despd 30th }

Encls 7-

Captain Langley's Explanation relative to certain discrepancies in the Ganjam Dn. office Accounts.

Dr.
For remarks