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- Major A. C. Smith R.E.
- A. H. E. Dake-Brockington R.E.
- A. H. Foaker R.E.
- Quar. Campbell R.E.
- Capt. C. H. Kington R.E.
- A. W. Smart R.E.
- C. E. Rawson R.E.
- A. V. Roddy R.E.
- C. B. Henderson R.E.
- L. L. L. R.E.
- W. L. C. Baddeley R.E.
- A. W. Love R.E.
- W. D. Lindley R.E.
- A. R. F. Donward R.E.
- Major S. Syme R.E.
- Engrs P. W. acct. with copy of 1020.
- 997 W of 18th April 87 for information

P.W.C. 2584
Govt. of (1887) Madras.
MILITARY.

To THE ADJUTANT-GENERAL,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated March, 28th.

Issued.

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G.O., 28th March 1887, No. 1848.

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MARCH.
Nos. 389-390.

Furlough.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

28th March 1887, No. 1848.

Furlough.

Read the following:—

No. 389. Military Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, to the Right Honorable the Governor-General of India in Council; dated India Office, London, 3rd February 1887, No. 37.

I have received and considered in Council your military letter No. 181 of the 1st November last, on the subject of the leave rules applicable to officers of Royal Engineers serving in India.

2. As you state, an officer who has elected for continuous service, if serving in the Military Works Department, will come under the new rules for the Staff Corps, and, if in the Survey or Public Works Department, will come under the Civil Leave Rules, while an officer who has not elected for continuous service will remain under "the rules in the Civil Leave Code for officers serving in the Public Works Department," by which I understand are meant the Military Furlough Regulations of 1868, republished as an Appendix to the Civil Code.

3. You consider that the fact of officers of Engineers being under three distinct sets of rules will be productive of considerable inconvenience, and you observe that, as changes from one department to another are not uncommon amongst officers serving in the Military Works Department, in the Public Works Department, and in the Sappers and Miners, the changes in the rules applicable to the officers concerned must inevitably lead to confusion when transfers from civil to military employment and *vice versa* take place during the future.

4. Under the circumstances, you suggest that the question may be reconsidered.

5. I have reconsidered the question, but I am unable to sanction any alteration of the rules recently laid down.

6. I may remark that the mere fact of the existence of three separate sets of leave rules for the same body of men cannot in itself be the cause of considerable inconvenience. Almost from its formation, the officers of the Staff Corps have been under two or more sets of rules, and any difficulty in working the rules has resulted from their intricacy, and not from their number.

7. What may result in inconvenience is the transfer of officers from one duty to another when that transfer renders necessary a change of leave rules. The officers under one of the sets of rules mentioned, however (the rules of 1868), are unaffected by any change of duty; whether in military or civil employ, they remain under the Furlough Regulations of 1868.

8. With the officers who have elected for continuous service the case is different. While in military employ they are under the new rules for the Staff Corps, but, while in civil employ (the new rules being inapplicable to officers in civil employ), they necessarily come under the Civil Leave Code. But this is not a condition peculiar to the Engineers. The new leave rules are also inapplicable to an officer of the Staff Corps in civil employ, and so were the previous rules, those

of 1875, and I am not aware that there have been any complaints of confusion with regard to these. No doubt transfer of Engineer Officers from military to civil duty will be much more frequent than that of Staff Corps Officers, but, in the working of them, the new rules are much more simple than those of 1875, and under the former, when an officer reverts to military duty, there will be necessary no such involved calculations as to amount, duration, and description of furloughs as were necessary under the older rules.

9. I trust that in practice it may be found that no confusion, and very little, if any, inconvenience will result from my decision that Royal Engineer Officers serving in Civil Departments, who may elect for continuous service in India, come wholly under the Civil Leave Rules.

No. 636-A.

Furlough.

Copy forwarded, with reference to Military Department No. 1527-SA, dated 19th October 1886, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Military Department.

(By Order.)

(Signed)

A. CROOKSHANK, Col.,
Depy. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

FORT WILLIAM,
12th March 1887.

No. 390.

ORDER THEREON, 28th March 1887, No. 1848.

Communicated to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief and the Public Works Department, in continuation of Proceedings of Government, No. 6805, dated 1st November 1886.

(True Extract.)

A. Kennerly Herbert

Lt.-Col.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Adjutant-General.

" Public Works Department. with 15/2
" Controller of Military Accounts.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

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