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 (3) ஆதாரங்குறிப்பவர் சுருக்கொப்பம் 6/2

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No. 2854 G.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
GENERAL.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Simla, the 14th October 1890.

SIR,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your No. 620 D., dated 15th August last, in which you state that His Excellency the Governor in Council does not consider it expedient to re-employ Colonel Ross Thompson, R.E., in the Public Works Department as an Executive Engineer 1st grade, and request a reconsideration of the decision regarding this officer contained in Public Works Department No. 1300 G., dated 20th May last.

2. In reply I am to observe that Colonel R. Thompson appears to have been removed from his appointment in the Public Works Department in consequence of the recent transfer of certain Military Works Divisions of the Madras Government to the Inspector General Military Works under the Government of India. When this transfer took place some correspondence passed between the Government of India and the Madras Government regarding the transfer of the personnel; and the Madras Government was informed in Military Department No. 2570 M.W., dated 18th December 1889, that, for certain reasons there explained, the officers proposed for transfer by the Madras Government, one of whom was Colonel R. Thompson, could not be accepted, but that the Government of India would be willing to accept other Royal Engineer Officers of less seniority.

3. It was subsequently proposed by the Government of Madras that Colonel R. Thompson, who has not yet attained his 55th year, should be allowed, under Article 499, Army Regulations, India, Volume I, Part I, to remain in India unemployed on full regimental pay and allowances; but this proposal was finally ruled by the Government of India, to be inadmissible, in Military Department telegram No. 1056 A., dated 12th May 1890.

4. Under these circumstances it became necessary that Colonel Thompson should continue to be employed, as hitherto, in the Madras Public Works Department to which he has been attached for many years; and this was clearly intimated in Public Works Department No. 1300 G., dated 20th May 1890. It was not within the competence of the Government of Madras to remove Colonel R. Thompson summarily and without specific cause of complaint from his appointment as Executive Engineer 1st grade in the Madras Public Works Department. The only rule under which he could have been so removed, except for inefficiency or misconduct, is that contained in Public Works Department Resolution No. 1884 G., dated 26th September 1887, which renders an officer who has reached the age of 50 years, without having attained the rank of Superintending Engineer, liable to be called upon to vacate his appointment in the Public Works Department: but it had been already decided in Public Works Department No. 2200 G., dated 1st August 1889, on a consideration of the recommendation made in Madras Government No. 1763 W.,

dated 4th July 1889, that the rule could not be put in force in the case of Colonel R. Thompson as he was declared by the Madras Government in that letter to be efficient as an Engineer. Had this rule been applied to him, it may be added that it would have been necessary, on his vacating his appointment in the Public Works Department, to place him on the retired list of the army.

5. Under these circumstances it appears to the Government of India that Colonel R. Thompson should not have been deprived of his appointment. It would now be impossible to employ him under the orders of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief; and no misconduct on his part having been alleged, he must in the absence of evidence showing his unfitness for such work continue a member of the Public Works Department in the grade to which he belonged prior to the transfer of the Military Works.

6. If, in consequence of the transfer of the Military Works without a proper complement of officers, his employment causes an excess in the Engineer establishment of the Madras Public Works Department, this Government is ready to make arrangements for the transfer of a Royal Engineer Officer of lower rank in his place to the Military Works Department.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

R. C. B. PEMBERTON, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to the Govt. of India.

Documents accompanying.
Nil.

Code
(Date)

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INDIAN TELEGRAPHS.

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To (region)	Madras	From (Person)	Triplicane
Words	42/9	Day	21
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g. 453 Col. Vibart can be informed that special leave is sanctioned if madras govt after considering public works Deptt 2584 g. of 14 Instant consent to retain col R. Thompson in his place.

34 Word Form.

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 888W. 25.3.89
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Telegram

To the Secy of State
 for India

LD, Like 5m Port of
 India LHM No 2582.8.
 7 Oct 12/20 H.S.
 24/10/90

Inform Vihart
 Royal Engineers special
 leave sanctioned.

Telegram in code phrase

Inform Vihart
Dictation
 Royal Engineers

Delavere
 special leave
 sanctioned.

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Col. V. L. Hart, C. A. C.

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Ship to be
Replaced

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Nov 23 +

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Telegram from 2079
21. 10. 20.

Submitted for
perusal.

The letter quoted
has not yet come
to hand.

Cu
22. 10. 20

A telegram can be
sent out on 6. Oct. 20.

Wick
23. 10. 20

Yes - this

" You extending special
leave intended "

S. J. W.
27. 10. 20

Nov 23 + 90

Nov 8 Nov 1870

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Proposed to telegraph
to Col. Villard through
the India office -

This will have a
number of words in the
address, all of which
are counted in foreign
telegrams -

after receipt of
the G. P. S. letter, a
report of the circum-
stances in which the
Special leave is sanc-
tioned should appa-
rently be made to
the Secy. of State, as
under article 268 C.S.
Regms. the grant of
leave to officers in
England rests with
the Secy. of State -

Cs

Draft
Submitted.

23.00.20

Nov 23 x 90

All that remains
is to come
into a copy
of the telegram to
Col. Vibert - This
can be sent to J. J. J.

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Letter from the Post-
office India no 2854 of 14.10.20
regarding Col. Ross Thompson's
case, received this morning,
is submitted for orders
with the file.

The India file,
Col. Vibert's case, has
to be considered with
this - The H. M. has not
passed the draft
Telegram to Secy of the
Govt but has asked to see
J. J. J. letter 2854 of -
There is now no urgency
in Col. Vibert's case,
as the last Overland
mail shows that he
has obtained 3 months
extension of leave on
m. c.

Cs

27-10-20

India office

11/10/20 3x-90

This case need not I
think be linked with
Col. Thompson's
case - The telegram
need not go, as
Col. Vibert has already
stated I remember
certainly of him, and
there is time to consider
matters in
of letter -

S 27/11

W
for orders whether
this file may stand over
until a decision is arrived
at in Col. Thompson's case.
A spare copy of the
printed letter from India
has been put up with
this. C.S.
27/10/20

W
Remitted to
order
C.S.
27/10/20

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Read the following

Telegram from the Govt. No 453 & 9 21-10-20.

Communicated
to Colonel Vibert
R.S.
H.S.
8/11/20

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10 Col. H. M. Vibert - R.S.
Supt. Sur.
(H. India office)
Mr. Sur. P.W. accounts
16/11

No 34.90

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