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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

From Lieut.-Colonel A. C. SMITH, R.E., Superintending Engineer, VI Circle, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated Kodaikánal, 24th July 1890, No. 471 T.C.

I have the honor to observe that steel pens now supplied, "Joseph Gillott's," are much inferior to those supplied up to 1888 (Hinkswells and Co.'s), and that the clerks complain that one nib of the former does not last even a couple of days. I know from my own experience that the former (viz., Gillott's brass nibs No. 616) are good enough at first, but become scratchy and useless after a day or two's work, especially in hot weather; and those clerks who use steel pens are obliged to supply their own nibs in consequence.

2. It would appear that the supply of Hinkswells' pens has been discontinued under orders of Government. I have the honor to request that, if you deem it proper, you will refer the matter to the Superintendent of Stationery with a view to his supplying some better pens. If that officer has no objection the stock in hand in this office will be returned for a better class of pen.

3. The black-lead pencils now supplied are not at all good; they cannot be compared in quality with the former supply of India Office pencils; in fact the inferior lead encased in ordinary white deal now supplied is the poorest kind of pencil manufactured. The supply of blotting paper is of a very inferior quality; it blots and smudges dreadfully soon, and becomes unusable.

4. The ink is not good, even when made with the greatest care and attention to rules, and greatly assists the blotting paper in its smudging action.

5. In case you think the matter of sufficient importance and are anxious to get corroboratory evidence as to the worthlessness of the materials supplied to Government offices, I request that, before taking any action on this letter, you will be good enough to circulate it for the opinions of all Superintending Engineers and Executive Engineers in the Presidency.

No. 3319 C.

Copy of the above forwarded to other Superintending Engineers and to the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, for favor of information whether they have experienced any inconvenience from the inferior quality of the stationery supplied.

7th August 1890.

(Signed) J. PENNYCUICK, Colonel, R.E.,
Chief Engineer, P.W.D.

To Superintending Engineers.
To the Consulting Architect to Government.
„ Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

Exd. J. Moses.

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C. No. 1869/90

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Office of the Consulting Architect to Govt.,
Chepauk, Madras,
3rd September 1890.

No. 1744

From

Henry Irwin, Esq., C.I.E.,
Consulting Architect
to the Government of Madras,

To

The Chief Engineer
P. W Department
Madras

Sir,

Enclosures.

With reference to your Endorsement No 3319 C dated the 7th Augt 1890 on letter from the Superintending Engineer VIth Circle No 471. T.C dated 24th July 1890, I have the honor to state that the statement made by Colonel Smith R.E as to the inferior quality of stationery supplied is correct and the same inconvenience is experienced in my office. The nibs are either bad or they are injured by the ink. The office pencils are inferior. The Drawing pencils are not first class. The blotting paper is inferior. The ink especially, made from powder becomes muddy and fades after a short time though every precaution is adopted in preparing it in accordance

with

with the directions given by the manufacturer I am obliged to use Stephens' Blue black ink myself.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant

Henry Irwin
Consulting Architect to Govt.

P.W. Circ: 2337
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Public Works Department.

From

The Consulting Architect
to the Government of Madras,

To

The Chief Engineer
P.W.D.

No. 1744.

Dated 3rd } September 1890.
Received

No. of Enclosures.

Subject.

Giving opinion as to the inferior quality of certain stationery articles supplied by the Superintendent of Stationery.

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OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
PERIYAR PROJECT.

No. 1517.P.R

Periyar 6th September 1890
D/6th

From

Major D. McNeil Campbell R.E.
Superintending Engineer,
Periyar Project.

To

The Chief Engineer
P.W.D.

Sir,

ENCLOSURES.

With reference to your No. 3319C. I have the honor to state that I fully agree with the Superintending Engineer 6th Circle in all his remarks. Much inconvenience has been experienced on account of the inferior quality of the ~~co~~ stationery supplied—

2- One of the Executive Engineers in this circle is of opinion that the Ink now supplied may be good enough for general use, but he suggests that a small ~~s~~ supply of blue black, to be used in posting registers

registers & for most of the accounts work.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your most obedient servant
G. McE. Campbell Major R.E.
Superintending Engineer
Periyar Project

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P.W. C. No. 8554
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P. W. D. Periyar Project.

From
The Superintending Engineer,
Periyar Project.

To
The Chief Engineer
P. W. D.

No. 1517 P.R

Dated 6th } September 1890
Received 10 }

Enclosure, ——

States that he fully agrees with the Supg. Engineer, 6th Circle in all his remarks cog. regarding the inferior quality of the Stationery supplied—

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GOVT. OF MADRAS. } 1890. { P. W. DEPT.

EXAMINER, P. W. ACCOUNTS.

Keep-with Current No.
dated 189 .

Madras, 8 September 1890.

Office Note No. 6344.

To
E.W.

With reference to your memo No. 3319 C. inquiring whether any inconvenience has been experienced from the inferior quality of certain articles of stationery supplied, I have the honor to state that the blotting paper, pens and pencils now supplied are decidedly inferior in quality to the similar articles which they superseded. The blotting paper is decidedly bad & pens wear out very soon. The pencils are also poor but may be considered sufficiently good for office use. The " Stephens blue black ink" supplied to this office is good. The ink referred to in Colonel Smith's letter embodied in your memo under reply is probably made from powders supplied by the Stationery office. The ink made from these powders is inferior.

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No. 301/E.W. 323/7 Supg. Engineer's Office, IV Circle,
Coimbatore 9th September 1890.

From

Lt. Col. R. R. E. Drake Brockman R.E.,
Superintending Engineer,
Fourth Circle.

To

The Chief Engineer,
Public Works Department.

Sir,

With reference to your endorsement No. 3319C of 7th ultimo, I have the honor to state that I fully endorse the remarks made by Colonel Smith R.E. as to the inferior articles – steel nibs, pencils, ink &ca now supplied by the Superintendent of Stationery. Both the division officers in this Circle are of the same opinion.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedt. servt.,

R. E. Drake-Brockman Lt. Col. R.E.,
Superintending Engineer, IV Circle.

P.W. C. No. ~~5.8.6.~~ 5.6
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From

The Supg. Engineer
IV Circle

Dated 9th } September 1890
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No. 301
E.W.

Stationery – Concurring with the opinion of Col: Smith R.E. Supg. Engr. VI Circle with regard to the supply of inferior quality of – by the Superintendent of Stationery –

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C. No. 1869/90
Fnd. C no. 2221/8

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OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
6TH CIRCLE.

Trichinopoly 12 September 1890.
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No. 652 T.C.

From Lt. Col. A. C. Smith R.E.
The Superintending Engineer,
6th Circle.

To

The Chief Engineer
D.P.W.

Sir,

ENCLOSURES.

With reference to your No. 3319 C on my No. 471 T.C. of the 24th July /90, I have the honor to state that all the Executive Engineers in this circle, with the exception of Mr. Garret of the Tanjore Division, fully agree with me in considering that the Articles of Stationery in question are of inferior sort. – more of the clerks use their own nibs

2. Mr. Garrett states that he almost invariably uses pens pur–

chased by himself, and that from his slight acquaintance with the Government Article it would be impossible to condemn it too strongly; also that he has not much fault to find with the blotting paper, but that the ink and deal cased pencils belong to the same class of Stationery as the pens.

? Very

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obd Servt
H Smith Lt Col RE
Supg Engineer N Circle

Sub.

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P. W. D. 6TH CIRCLE.

From
The Superintending Engineer,
6th Circle.

To
The

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Enclosure.

From
The Supdt. Engineer
VI circle

To
The Chief Engineer
P. W. D.

No. 652 -C
Dated 12 } September 1890,
Despd. 15
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Stationery: —
Reporting the opinion of the Executive Engineers in the circle with regard to the bad quality of certain —

5/C. No. 1869/90 Fil.

Fml: C No 2221/7

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D. W.

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No. 2810. 33/11

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,
V Circle, Madras,
Chepâk, 12 September 1890.

From
Colonel W. H. Burton R.E.
SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER, V CIRCLE,

To
THE Chief Engineer
P. W. Department.

Enclosures.

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SIR,

With reference to your memorandum No. 3319.C. dated 7th August 1890 I have the honor to state that all the Executive Engineers in this circle are in entire agreement as to the bad quality of the Stationery articles alluded to in the letter of the Supg. Engineer Sixth Circle.

2. The Executive Engineer South Arcot adds that printing paper double double pott thin is not fit for drafting letters on as required by para 14 of the Rules circulated with G. C. No. 3464 W dated 5th December 1889 & that the paper is thin and

Soaks

Soaks much and cannot therefore be written upon both Sides.

3. The General Superintendent P. W. Workshops also adds that red ink is Supplied to him in tins in a thick viscous condition almost unfit for use and that after use peels off the paper. That the Superintendent of Stationery who was asked to exchange some issued last year declined to do so; because the Supply had been in his stores a long Time and must be used up.

4. I can fully endorse all that the Supg. Engineer Sixth Circle has written I cannot write with the steel nibs supplied from the Stationery Office. See my letter Nos. 8437 and 8057 dated 23rd August 1889 and 22nd March 1890.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servt.

W H Burton Colonel R.E.
Supg. Engineer V Circle

From
The Supg Engineer
3rd Circle

To
The Chief Engineer
P. W. Deptt

Dated 13th } September /90.
Recd }

No 2310.

Stationery Articles

States that all the Executive Engineers in this Circle are in entire agreement as to the bad quality of —

4/C. No. 1869/90 Fiel.

Fiel. C No 222/6

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No. 1768 3/13

Superintending Engineer's Office,
3RD CIRCLE.
Bellary 5th September 1890.

FROM Col H. Smalley R.E.
SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
IIIRD CIRCLE.

To
THE Chief Engineer
P. W. Deptt
Madras

Sir;

Enclosures.

With reference to your endorsement No 3319C on letter No 471 T.C dated 26th July 1890 from Supt Engineer 6th circle, I have the honor to state:

1st that steel pens now supplied are very bad and do not last for more than a few days.

2d that black lead pencils now in use are very soft and break easily and do not rub out well by the Indian rubber.

3d The ink, though it is prepared with double strength (ie) 2 packets of powder used for the same quantity of water as is supposed to be required for one packet and kept in the sun is found pale and not fit for immediate use.

4th Blotting paper now supplied is very inferior.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedt Servant
H Smalley Col RE
Supt Engineer
3 Circle

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From,
The Superintending Engineer,
IIIrd Circle,
Bellary.

To,
The Chief Engineer
P. W. Deptt
Madras

Dated 15th } September 1890.
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Enclosures.

No. 1768

Subject.

Stationery supplied by the Stationery Deptt.

Reporting the inconvenience felt from the inferior quality of ——.

3 / C No. 1869/90 Fil.

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No. 299 G 323

Superintending Engineer's Office,
II CIRCLE, Bezwada
Dated 27th Septr 1890.

From,
J. Hannan Esquire,
Superintending Engineer,
II Circle.

To,
The Chief Engineer,
P. W. department,
Madras.

Sir,

With reference to your memo. No 3319 G of the 7th August 1890 requesting to report if officers experience any inconvenience from the inferior quality of stationery supplied, I have the honor to append the opinions of the Executive Engineers in this Circle with which I concur as follows.

Kistna Eastern Dn.

The Executive Engineer concurs with Col Smiths' opinions. The ink + blotting paper are purchased at his own expense.

The clerks use sand instead of blotting paper owing to its inferior quality. The black lead pencils & steel nibs are inferior.

Kistna Western Division

This Executive Engineer also concurs in the opinion of Col Smith. He never uses the steel pens, black lead pencils & ink supplied by Government being very inferior.

Gudivada Dn

The Executive Engineer states that steel pens & ink are bad. He gave up using the latter. The blotting paper is useless.

Nellore Dn

Col Smith's remarks are concurred in.

Buckingham Canal Dn. — Do —

2. As far as my office is concerned myself & the managers of the office always use Stephens' blue black ink purchased at our own cost.

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servt.,

J Hammon
Suptg Engineer
II Circle

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From,

The Superintending Engineer,

II Circle.

To,

The Chief Engineer P.W. Dept

Dated 27th Septr 1890.

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Enclosures.

NO. 299 E.C

SUBJECT

Stationery which is being supplied - Reports on the quality of

2 / C. No. 1869/90 Fil.

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No. 448 G.C.

FROM,

G. D. Wybrow Esquire

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER

FIRST CIRCLE.

TO,

THE CHIEF ENGINEER

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Camp - Dumagudem. ~~DOWLAISHWERAM~~, 10th October 1890

Recd 15th

SIR,

Adverting to your memo No. 3319 C dated 7th August/90 I have the honor to inform you that I fully concur in the opinion, expressed by the Supg. Engineer VI circle, in his letter embodied in your memo, under reply regarding the bad quality of certain stationery articles, supplied for the current year -

2 The Executive Engineers in this circle state that (1) Steel pens "Joseph Gillotts" are not approved of for use in their offices, as they do not last for more than 2 or 3 days, and express a wish that they may be supplied with Hinkswells' or a better class of pen,

in lieu of Joseph Gillott's pens (2) Black lead pencils are of inferior quality, as the lead is generally in short pieces, and falls away when it is cut. (3) Blotting paper is too thin, and can only be used on one side (4) Black ink is pale, and galnuts and sulphate of iron have to be used with the ink powder to make it black.

3 The Executive Engineer Rushikulya Division states that D. D. Pott paper thin which is supplied under the sanction conveyed in G. O. No 3464 W d/5-12-89 is too thin for drafting letters, and for Vernacular correspondence, and would soon be worn away, if a file of correspondence written on that paper is frequently referred to; and that Bally cartridge or Bally cartridge brown would be more suitable for the purpose.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

your most obedient servant,

C. D. Wylson

Supg: Engineer I Circle

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FROM,

G. D. Wybrow Esqre

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER

FIRST CIRCLE.

TO,

THE CHIEF ENGINEER

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

DATED 10th } October 1890
DESPATCHED 15th
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NO. 448 Genl.

ENCLOSURES

SUBJECT.

Stationary articles. Concurs in the opinions expressed by the Supt Engr III Circle regarding the bad quality of certain —

1/C. No. 1869/90 Finl.

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Financial Department.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT, MADRAS.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

READ the following paper :—

Memorandum from the Public Works Department dated 27th October 1890 No: 4352 C.

Put up with Cir: 11966 going in circulation today

Letter from the Superintendent of Stationery dated 18th December 1890 No: 1896.

With reference to the Financial Department Current No: 1869 dated 3rd November 1890 referring for my remarks, the complaints of the Officers of the P. W. Department regarding the bad quality of Steel pens, black lead pencils, blotting paper and black ink I have the honor to report as follows:—

2. Steel pens. Arrangements will be made to procure better ones with reference to paragraph 21 of G. O dated 4th December 1890 No: 908 Financial.

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Black lead pencils. The deal cased black lead pencils were obtained as being softer than other pencils for ordinary use and they are not complained of except by the officers complaining in this correspondence. I think they are sufficiently good for the purpose for which they are supplied.

Blotting paper. The supply of a superior quality for the use of Heads of Departments is is sanctioned in para 22 of the G. O. referred to above.

Black ink. The black ink powder at present supplied is not complained of in any other Departments but the Pub. Works.

3. With regard to the complaints of some of the officers regarding the use of D. D. Pott paper thin for drafts, Cream laid 10 lbs may be used nstead for the purpose agreeably to para 16 of the G. O referred to above.

Rubber. The articles at present supplied India rubber and vulcanized rubber are very superior.

4. The enclosures to the above reference are herewith returned.

Order dated 10th January 1891 No: 36.

Communicated to the Public Works Department.

(True extract)

W S Brodie

Ag: Asstt: Secretary

To The Public Works Department
with the encls returned.

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Govt. of (18) Madras.

To

The Public Works Depart

No. 144 W. 17.1.91.
4352 C. 27.10.90.

Rd. 14.1.91

Proceedings, dated 10 January 1891.
No. 36

Subject.

Communicating to the P.W. Dept. letter from the Supdt. of Stationery reporting on certain articles complained of by the Officers of the P.W. Dept. as being of inferior quality.

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No. 323 W. / 4th Feby 1891

Communicated to Officers of the P.W. Dept. with reference to the replies received to Circular No. 3319 C. d/ 7th August 1890, and in continuation of G.O. No. 144 W of 17th January 1891.

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10 Supdg. Engrs ✓
C.A. to Govt ✓
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