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

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Communicated to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation and to Superintending Engineers, for the information of Royal Engineer officers of the Public Works Department.

Sd/ J. W.

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C. E. for Irrigation
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Supdg Engineers
Lt. Col. A. C. Smith R. E.
(Through India Office)

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Promotions.

Read the following papers :—

No. 53. *From Major-General E. H. H. COLLEN, C.I.E., Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, to Brigadier-General H. R. HOPE, Secretary to the Government of Madras, Military Department; dated Fort William, the 12th December 1893, No. 3241-A.*

Promotions.

I am directed to forward a copy of the correspondence noted in the margin, relative to the promotion of officers of the Indian Army and of the late Indian Artillery and Engineers to the brevet rank of Colonel under the Royal Warrant of the 28th July 1893, and to request that, under the orders of His Excellency the Governor in Council, the Government of India may be informed by wire of the names of those officers of the Madras Army whom your Government would recommend for promotion to Brevet Colonel.

From Secretary of State, No. 123, dated the 26th October 1893, and enclosure.
From Secretary of State, No. 128, para. 18, dated the 9th November 1893, and enclosure.

Military Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, to His Excellency the Most Honorable the Governor-General of India in Council; dated India Office, London, 26th October 1893, No. 123.

M 9531.

In my telegram of the 1st September last I informed your Lordship that I was in communication with the War Office regarding the details of the Royal Warrant of the 28th July 1893. I now forward copy of correspondence * with that department on the subject.

* From Horse Guards, 2nd August 1893, and enclosure.
To Horse Guards, 26th August 1893, M 7334.
From Horse Guards, 26th September 1893.

2. I also forward draft regulations (amending the existing regulations with regard to the promotion of Lieutenant-Colonels and Colonels of the Indian Army and Staff Corps) for publication by your Government in an India Army Circular.

3. I shall be glad to be furnished as soon as possible, with reference to the last paragraph but one of the Horse Guards' letter, with the list of Lieutenant-Colonels of the Indian Service, promoted to that rank before the 29th December 1888, whom you may recommend for promotion to the rank of Brevet Colonel.

ENCLOSURES.

No. 1.

No. 7688/1436. HORSE GUARDS, WAR OFFICE, S.W., *2nd August* 1893.

SIR,

I am directed by the Commander-in-Chief to transmit, for the information of the Secretary of State for India in Council, the enclosed copy of a Royal Warrant relative to the grant of the brevet rank of Colonel in the Army.

I have, &c.,

R. B. LANE,
for *Military Secretary.*

The Under Secretary of State for India.

ENCLOSURE in No. 1.

WHEREAS we have deemed it expedient to amend in some respects the regulations as to the promotion and half-pay of Lieutenant-Colonels and Colonels;

7688/1433 ... 1436 Our will and pleasure is that alterations as under shall be made in our warrant for the pay, appointment, promotion, and non-effective pay of the Army, dated the 28th March 1893:—

1. The following shall be inserted after article 14:—

14-A. A Lieutenant-Colonel may, if selected, be promoted to the rank of Brevet Colonel after four years' service in command of a regiment or battalion, or in any appointment tenable by a Lieutenant-Colonel which may be considered by our Commander-in-Chief, with the concurrence of our Secretary of State, to be analogous thereto.

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2. The following shall be substituted for article 15:—

(*d*) To the rank of Colonel.

15. An Army or Brevet Colonel or a Lieutenant-Colonel may be granted the substantive rank of Colonel on being selected for the command of a Regimental District, Cavalry Depôt, or Regiment of our Foot Guards; or for any other appointment approved by our Secretary of State as carrying the substantive rank of Colonel; provided, if a Lieutenant-Colonel, he has completed three years' satisfactory service on full pay with the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel.

15—I. *A Lieutenant-Colonel who obtained that rank before the 1st January 1887 may be promoted to the Army rank of Colonel—*

(*a*) *After four years' satisfactory service in the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel in any military appointment, except the command of a troop or a company by an Officer with the regimental rank of Captain, and except also any appointments which our Secretary of State may exclude from qualifying.*

(*b*) *After four years' satisfactory service in the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel in a Civil situation, as defined in the preamble of our warrant of the 10th June 1884.*

(*c*) *After seven years' satisfactory service in the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel as Equerry or Extra Equerry to the Sovereign or the Prince of Wales.*

15-A. The selection for promotion of officers of our Indian Staff Corps to the rank of substantive Colonel shall be made under such regulations as may be laid down from time to time by our Secretary of State for India in Council.

3. In articles 17 and 20, in the first line, the words "*an Army or Brevet Colonel so appointed before the date of this our warrant, or* an officer of the substantive rank of Colonel" shall be substituted for "a Colonel," and in article 18 the words "*any qualified officer who was an Army or Brevet Colonel before the date of this our warrant, or who may hold the substantive rank of Colonel*" shall be substituted for "*any qualified Colonel.*"

4. In article 1042 the following shall be inserted in the scale of the rates of half-pay after the item "Colonel or Lieutenant-Colonel":—

Colonel or Lieutenant-Colonel, if qualified, on or after the 1st April 1893, under article 1057 for retired pay at £420 a year in our Cavalry and Infantry, or at £450 a year in our Royal Artillery, Royal Engineers, or Army Service Corps ... ... £ 300 a year.

Given at our Court at this day of , 1893, in the 57th year of our Reign.

By Her Majesty's Command.

No. 2.

M 7334.

INDIA OFFICE,
26th August 1893.

SIR,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for India in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 2nd August 1893, No. 7688/1436, forwarding copy of a Royal Warrant relative to the grant of the brevet rank of Colonel in the Army.

In reply, I am to request that you will represent, for the consideration of His Royal Highness the Commander-in-Chief, the circumstances connected with the issue of this warrant.

The first allusion to the impending change was in your letter No. 61025/572 of 10th December 1892, where it was stated that "the general question of qualification for the rank of Brevet Colonel is now under consideration, and any modification proposed will be communicated to your department in due course."

The Earl of Kimberley naturally expected, therefore, that in a matter of such importance affecting the large body of officers of the Indian Army, both *inter se*, and in their relation to the officers of the British Army serving in India, the changes now embodied in the warrant would have been communicated to the Secretary of State for India in Council for his consideration, and for any observations he might wish to offer.

No such reference has, however, been made, the first intimation which His Lordship has received of the further action taken has been the appearance of the Royal Warrant itself in Army Orders of 1st August 1893, followed, *after its issue*, by the transmission of the above-mentioned copy to this office. This is, I am to add, not the first occasion on which such a course has been followed.

The Secretary of State for India in Council is sure that His Royal Highness the Commander-in-Chief will agree with him that it would conduce to the satisfactory conduct of public business, and prevent delay and misunderstanding, if arrangements could be made that all such questions should, as a standing rule, be referred to this office before, instead of, as in this case, after issue. Apart from the obvious advantages which would result from such a course, it is very desirable that the Secretary of State for India in Council should be in a position to consult the Government of India, in view to the issue of the necessary regulations for the officers of the Indian Army, as soon as possible after the issue of the warrant.

At present, the Secretary of State for India has no definite knowledge of the object of the warrant, nor of the interpretation to be placed on some passages in it. His Lordship will be glad to receive full information on this subject as early as may be convenient. As regards article 14-A, he would be glad to know what appointments will be regarded as analogous to the command of a regiment or battalion, on what grounds and to what extent is selection to be exercised, and whether any retrospective effect will be given to the promotions to be made under this article.

I have, &c.,
HORACE WALPOLE.

The Military Secretary, Horse Guards, War Office.

No. 3.

No. 7688/1440.

Horse Guards,
War Office, Pall Mall, S.W.,
26th September 1893.

SIR,

I am directed by the Commander-in-Chief to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 26th ultimo, having reference to the issue of Army Order 135 of 1893, relative to the regulations under which the brevet rank of Colonel may be granted to officers of the Army, and drawing attention to the omission of this department to communicate with you prior to its issue, and also desiring information as to its application.

In reply, I am to acquaint you, for the information of the Secretary of State for India in Council, that it was fully intended that the Army Order, when drafted, should have been forwarded to you for consideration, and the omission to do so was inadvertent and is much regretted.

The scope of operation under which promotion will be granted under this warrant is to prevent as far as possible the supersession of Lieutenant-Colonels, whose military attainments might justify their future employment, by officers whom it is especially considered desirable to select for substantive Colonels' posts, and who are their juniors on the list of Lieutenant-Colonels, and the warrant is framed to allow of any such officers being selected for the brevet rank of Colonel accordingly. Also in cases when it is desirable to promote a Lieutenant-Colonel to a brevet Colonelcy under circumstances other than for distinguished service, or as aide-de-camp to the Queen.

No general list of appointments analogous to the command of a battalion has been framed, nor is it thought advisable to form one, but cases will be considered on their merits, and it will be necessary, therefore, that the same procedure should be adopted in regard to brevet rank, as is done for that of substantive Colonels at the present time, viz., that the recommendation should emanate from the Indian authorities, and the grant of the rank be subject to the approval of His Royal Highness the Commander-in-Chief in this country.

Lieutenant-Colonel H. S. G. Miles, Deputy Assistant Quartermaster-General, Head-quarters, a Lieutenant-Colonel of 29th December 1888, has been selected for a post carrying the substantive rank of Colonel. The substantive Lieutenant-Colonels senior to him who have complied with the conditions of this Royal Warrant will therefore be eligible for consideration and possible selection. His Royal Highness will be glad to receive the recommendations of the Indian authorities as regards officers of the Indian Military Forces, and to take the question of the grant of rank into consideration. The promotions will bear the date on which Lieutenant-Colonel Miles becomes a substantive Colonel.

I am to add that the amendment of articles 17 and 20 limits hereafter the selection for rank of General Officer to officers who hold the substantive rank of Colonel.

I have, &c.,
R. GIPPS,
Military Secretary.

The Under Secretary of State for India.

No. 4.

Draft Regulations for amending the existing Regulations for the promotion of Lieutenant-Colonels and Colonels of the Indian Army and Staff Corps.

1. A Lieutenant-Colonel may, if selected, be promoted to the rank of Brevet Colonel after four years' service in the substantive rank of Lieutenant-Colonel in command of a regiment or battalion, or in any appointment tenable by a Lieutenant-Colonel which may be considered to be analogous thereto.

2. The regulations under which a Lieutenant-Colonel may be granted the substantive rank of Colonel, either to fill an appointment or by supplementary selection, shall apply to Brevet Colonels also.

3. Substantive Colonels only will be eligible for promotion to the rank of Major-General, with the exception that an officer who was an Army or Brevet Colonel before the 28th March 1893 will remain eligible for such promotion.

Extract of a Military letter from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India; dated the 9th November 1893, No. 128.

Para. 18. In continuation of my Military despatch No. 123, dated 26th October 1893, I forward herewith, for information, and in view to the submission of any recommendations that your Excellency may desire to make, copy of correspondence* with the Horse Guards regarding the proposed promotion of certain officers of the late Indian Artillery and officers of Royal Engineers, who have elected for continuous Indian service, to the brevet rank of Colonel, under the Royal Warrant of 28th July 1893.

M 10191.

* From Deputy Adjutant-General, R.A., dated 3rd October 1893.
To Military Secretary, Horse Guards, dated 7th October, M 9806.
From Assistant Adjutant General, R.E., dated 18th October 1893.
To Military Secretary, Horse Guards, dated 26th October 1893, M 10191.

ENCLOSURES.

No. 1.

No. 100/Artillery/168.

HORSE GUARDS, WAR OFFICE,
3rd October 1893.

SIR,

I am desired by the Commander-in-Chief to state, for the information of the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, that His Royal Highness proposes to select—

Lieutenant-Colonels—

M. R. West, Royal (late Madras) Artillery,
G. R. Gambier, Royal (late Madras) Artillery,
L. W. Taylor, Royal (late Bengal) Artillery,
F. R. Twynam, Royal (late Madras) Artillery,

for promotion to the brevet rank of Colonel, under the provisions of the Royal Warrant of 23rd July 1893, and to request concurrence of the Earl Kimberley to such promotions, as early as possible.

I have, &c.,
A. M. WILLIAMS,
Deputy Adjutant-General.

The Under Secretary of State for India.

No. 2.

M 9806.

INDIA OFFICE,
7th October 1893.

SIR,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for India in Council to acknowledge the receipt of the letter of the 3rd October from the Deputy Adjutant-General, Royal Artillery, No. 100/Artillery/168, and to acquaint you, in reply, that the Earl of Kimberley has no objection to the promotion to the brevet rank of Colonel of the officers therein named.

I have, &c.,
JOHN H. MAYO,
Assistant Military Secretary.

The Military Secretary, Horse Guards, War Office.

No. 3.

No. 100/Engineers/343.

HORSE GUARDS, WAR OFFICE, S.W.,
18th October 1893.

SIR,

In reference to the letter from this office of 26th ultimo, No. 7688/1440, relative to the grant of brevet promotion under the provisions of the Royal Warrant of 28th July last, I am directed by His Royal Highness the Commander-in-Chief to acquaint you, for the information of the Secretary of State for India in Council, that it has now become necessary to consider the claims of the Lieutenant-Colonels, Royal Engineers, as per margin, who are senior to Lieutenant-Colonel H. L. G. Miles, as substantive Lieutenant-Colonels, and who may therefore be eligible for possible selection.

A. C. Smith.	M. W. Rogers.
W. P. Tomkins, C.I.E. (temporary Major-General).	R. A. Sargeaunt.
C. Strahan.	W. Osborn.
R. R. E. Drake-Brockman.	L. F. Boileau.
G. F. L. Marshall, C.I.E.	T. B. B. Savi.
F. Firebrace.	W. Sedgwick.
J. R. McCullagh.	A. W. Baird.

As stated in the above-quoted letter, it is proposed to confer this brevet promotion only upon those Lieutenant-Colonels whose military attainments might justify their future selection for appointments carrying higher rank.

In view of the fact that all the officers now named have either elected continuous Indian service, or belong to the old Indian cadres, it appears desirable that any recommendations regarding them should emanate from the Indian authorities, such recommendations being based on the above understanding, the grant of the step being subject to the approval of His Royal Highness the Commander-in-Chief in this country, in the same manner as other officers of the Indian military forces.

In these circumstances, His Royal Highness will be glad to receive any recommendations that the Indian authorities may wish to put forward regarding these Royal Engineer officers, with a view to the grant of the rank being considered accordingly.

I have, &c.,
ELLIOTT WOOD, Colonel,
Assistant Adjutant-General, R.A.

The Military Secretary, India Office.

No. 4.

M 10191.

INDIA OFFICE,
26th October 1893.

SIR,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for India in Council to acknowledge the receipt of the letter of the 18th October from the Assistant Adjutant-General, Royal Engineers, No. 100/Engineers/343, regarding proposed promotions to the brevet rank of Colonel under the Royal Warrant of 28th July 1893.

The letter will be forwarded for the consideration of the Government of India.

I have, &c.,
JOHN H. MAYO,
Assistant Military Secretary.

The Military Secretary, Horse Guards, War Office.

No. 8370.

Referred to the Commander-in-Chief, with the request that the names of the Lieutenant-Colonels of the Madras Army whom His Excellency would recommend for promotion to Brevet Colonel may be submitted to Government at an early date.

(By Order.)

FORT ST. GEORGE,
18*th December* 1893.

(Signed) H. R. HOPE, Brigdr.-Genl.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Adjutant-General.

No. 54. *Memorandum from Brigadier-General H. P. PEARSON*, C.B., *Adjutant-General, Madras Army, to Brigdr.-Genl. H. R. HOPE, Secretary to Government, Military Department; dated Ootacamund, 23rd December* 1893, *No.* 2424-*O.* (*Promotions*).

Lieut.-Col. J. T. Cummins, D.S.O.
Lieut.-Col. W. Cooke.
Lieut.-Col. S. E. Rolland.

Lieut.-Cols. A. C. Smith and R. R. E. Drake-Brockman, Royal Engineers, are not recommended, as they do not fall within the terms of para. 2 of letter 100/Engineers/343, dated Horse Guards, War Office, 18th October 1893.

(Intld.) C. M. C., Lt.-Genl.

23rd Dec. 1893.

Returned as requested.

2. His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief recommends for promotion to Brevet Colonel the Lieutenant-Colonels named in the margin.

No. 55. ORDER THEREON, 8th January 1894, No. 47.

The Government of India will be informed accordingly by telegram.

No. 56. *Telegram to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department; dated 8th January* 1894, *No.* 48.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. R. HOPE, Brigdr.-Genl.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Adjutant-General.
„ Public Works Department.

Exd. T. K. Narayana Aiyangar.

Govt. of {1894} Madras.

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Communicated to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation and to Superintending Engineers, for the information of Royal Engineer officers of the Public Works Department.

Sgd/ Jr. D.

To

C. E. for Irrigation

C. E. for Kyd.

Suply Engineers

Lt. Col. A. C. Smith R. E.

(Mongh India office)

Surrender of certain L. F. allotments, VI Circle.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

READ the following

From the S.E. VI Circle Rc: 1605 I. dd 31. 1. 94.

In the Circumstances explained by the Suptg. Engineer, the following sums are withdrawn and replaced at the disposal of the local and Municipal Dept:— Incorporated Local

		Rs.
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To
The S.E. VI Circle
" Exar. P.W. Acts
" Local & Muni Dept

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FROM

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
6TH CIRCLE.

TO

THE Chief Engineer
P. W. Depte

No. 1605/C

Dated 31/1/94
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Requesting to sanction certain reduction of allotments.

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