

Public Works (1897) Department.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Mr G. S. T. Harris, Insp. Architect: Govt of India
Letter passing over on letter from — in regard
to his promotion in the Department, Comd
to that office.

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should be addressed
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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
GENERAL.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Public Works Department.

Calcutta, the 23rd January 1897.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 3597 W., dated 14th December 1896, with which you forward with certain remarks, a letter from Mr. G. S. T. Harris, Executive Engineer, 1st grade, and Consulting Architect, Madras in which he makes the following requests:-

- (1) That he may be promoted to Superintending Engineer 3rd class, supernumerary at once.
- (2) That by his accepting the appointment of Consulting Architect he may not be considered as having forfeited his right to promotion to the Chief Engineer class.
- (3) That he be permitted to rise pari passu with his contemporaries to the Chief Engineer class.
- (4) That when considering the question of his confirmation in his present appointment it be decided to link his name with Major Baddeley, R.E., for further promotion.

2. In reply, I am to state with reference to the first three points, that in the opinion of the Government of India it is undesirable without stronger reason than has been shown to set aside the conditions as to promotion which were specifically laid down when Mr. Harris accepted his appointment

appointment.

So far as his claim to immediate promotion to the rank of Superintending Engineer 3rd class is concerned, I am to observe that till he is confirmed, his promotion must be regulated under these conditions by his position in the Local Administration list, and that several of his seniors on that list who are eligible for promotion are still unpromoted.

The promotion of Mr. Newton to which he refers was made on very special grounds, chiefly local, and has now ceased.

I am to add that the condition limiting Mr. Harris' promotion while he holds the appointment of Consulting Architect to the Government of Madras to the rank of Superintending Engineer 1st class, is not one which the Government of India could in any case set aside, as it is based on the terms of the Secretary of State's orders sanctioning the appointment which distinctly limit the maximum pay to that of the 1st class of Superintending Engineers.

Mr. Harris' fourth request will be a question for consideration and settlement by the Madras Government, when Mr. Harris has been permanently transferred to the Madras list.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

M. B. Bindu

Colonel R.E.,

Secretary to the Govt. of India.

Documents accompanying:-

Nil.