Public Works (1898) Department.

G.O., No. 352-3 I

DATED 28 April 98

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Mr. Russell's History of the Buckingham canal. The distribution of copies, proposed by the Ch. E. for I., approved, and the G. of I. ordered to be addressed ~~on the question~~ for sanction to the payment of R. 1000 as honorarium to Mr Russell.

Honorarium

Requesting that ~~the~~ sanction may be accorded to the payment of an ~~honorarium~~ of R. 1000 to Mr Russell, Ex. Eng., for writing the history of the Buckingham canal

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Letter, No. 353 I., 28th April 1898.

APRIL.

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Requesting that sanction may be accorded to the payment of an — of Rs. 1,000 to Mr. Russell, Executive Engineer, for writing the history of the Buckingham canal.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Irrigation.

LETTER—from

W. HUGHES, Esq.,
Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Public Works Department,
Irrigation Branch,

To

THE JOINT SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

In forwarding herewith a copy of Proceedings of the Madras Government, No. 352 I., dated 28th April 1898, I am directed to request that, in the circumstances therein explained, the Government of India may be pleased to sanction the payment of an honorarium of Rs. 1,000 to Mr. A. S. Russell, Executive Engineer, for writing the history of the Buckingham canal.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) W. HUGHES,
Joint Secy. to Government,
Irrigation Branch.

OOTACAMUND,
28th April 1898.

Exd. C. M. Thumbusawmy.

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APRIL.

Mr. Russell's History of the Buckingham Canal

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Irrigation.

READ—the following paper:—

No. 72 I.

Note by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

It was arranged in 1894 that Mr. A. S. Russell should prepare a note on the history, condition and utility of the Buckingham canal, of which he was then in charge, and an expenditure of Rs. 200 for photographs was authorized in G.O., No. 859 I., dated 8th November 1894.

2. Owing to unavoidable delay, which however is not to be regretted as it enabled the author to make the work much more complete than it would otherwise have been, the history was in a very unfinished state when Mr. Russell was obliged to go on leave in 1896. Much essential information was still wanting, and, as material alterations became in course of time necessary, Mr. Russell had to re-write the work while on leave. On his return he was put for a short time on special duty to enable him to inspect the canal, many works on which were incomplete when he left, and to collect information from the records of the previous eighteen months. The work done while on special duty was merely to improve or correct what had been done outside the ordinary course of duty, and I therefore consider that Mr. Russell has a fair claim to an honorarium under section 89 (*a*) of the Civil Service Regulations. I beg to recommend that the Government of India be asked to sanction the payment of Rs. 1,000. According to the rules the question of remuneration should have been settled beforehand. The reason of this not having been done cannot now be ascertained. Mr. Russell states that he never offered to do the work *gratis*.

3. The book is not merely a history, but a very valuable manual and guide for those who have charge of the maintenance of the canal. Mr. Russell has thoroughly studied the canal and the best methods of dealing with it, and attention to his recommendations will probably save annually a considerable sum which might otherwise be lost through want of knowledge and skill in making the most of available grants.

4. In G.O., No. 37 I., dated 15th January 1898, the printing of 150 copies of the history was authorized. The accompanying list shows the proposed distribution of presentation copies of the book which leaves a reserve of 40 copies, of which 20 copies will be retained in the Government Press for sale to the public. The distribution of the first seven copies in the list is proposed in accordance with G.Os., Public, No. 1430, dated 21st September 1878, and No. 337, dated 27th February 1878.

21st March 1898.

(Signed) W. HUGHES,
Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

ENCLOSURE.

LIST of proposed recipients of copies of Buckingham Canal History.

	Number of copies.
British Museum	1
Bodleian Library, Oxon	1
University Library, Cambridge	1
Advocates' Library, Edinburgh	1
Trinity College, Dublin	1
Royal Asiatic Society	1
Public Library, Victoria	1
Royal Indian Engineering College, Cooper's Hill	2
The American Society of Civil Engineers	1
Mr. A. S. Russell	6
College of Engineering, Madras	2
Royal Engineer Library	1
Chief Engineer for Irrigation	3
Secretary to Government, Public Works Department	3
His Excellency the Governor	1
Hon'ble Sir Henry Bliss, K.C.I.E.	1
Hon'ble J. Grose, C.I.E.	1
Public Department	1
Revenue Department	1
Board of Revenue	1
Superintending Engineers of Circles	6
Executive Engineers	27
Buckingham Canal Sub-division Officers and Subordinates	6
Collector of Nellore	1
Sub-Collector, Ongole	1
Head Assistant Collector, Gudur	1
Head-quarters Deputy Collector, Nellore	1
Collector of Chingleput	1
Sub-Collector, Chingleput	1
General Duty Deputy Collector, Tiruvallúr	1
Head-quarters Deputy Collector, Saidapet	1
Mr. G. T. Walch	1
General J. Mullins, R.E.	1
Colonel J. O. Hasted, R.E.	1
Colonel H. R. Mead, R.E.	1
Colonel R R. E. Drake-Brockman, R.E.	1
Colonel H M. Vibart, R.E.	1
India Office	10
Government of India	1
Inspector-General of Irrigation	1
Government of Bengal	1
Do. of Bombay	1
Do. of North-Western Provinces	1
Do. of Central Provinces	1
Do. of Punjab	1
Do. of Burma	1
Madras Literary Society	1
Government Central Museum Library	1
Institution of Civil Engineers	1
Imperial Institute	1
"Madras Mail"	1
"Madras Times"	1
"Madras Hindu"	1
"Madras Standard"	1
For sale	20
Reserve	20
Total	150

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2. Ordered that the following letter be sent to the Government of India:—

[Here enter No. 353 I., dated 28th April 1898.]

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUGHES,
Joint Secy. to Government,
Irrigation Branch.

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
" the Superintending Engineer, V Circle.
" the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
" the Superintendent, Government Press.
" A. S. Russell, Esq.

Exd. C. M. Thambuswamy.

Public Works (1898) Department.

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From The Chief-Engineer for Irrigation

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Dated 21st March 1898

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
IRRIGATION BRANCH,

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H. E. the Governor.

READ the following :—

Mr. Russell's history of the Buckingham Canal.

FOR ~~ORDERS~~ information of H. E. with reference to the enclosed draft.

~~The point~~:

Two separate notes by the Chief Engr. for Irrigation with draft orders, one with reference to an honorarium being paid to Mr. Russell and another with reference to the distribution of copies of his book have been already ~~#~~ circulated.

There is nothing to show that the first note & order relating to the honorarium were placed before H. E. the Governor, although the note & order relating to distribution were approved with certain additions to the list of proposed recipients.

The two notes & orders are now put together the

With reference to H. E. the Governor's request for precedents of recent grants of honoraria. Mr. F. W. Ashpitel was granted an honorarium of Rs 1000 for his report on lighthouses vide P.W.G. flagged S— Sanction has also been accorded to the payment of a like sum to Mr. A. T. Mackenzie for his history of the Periyar Project on completion vide P.W.G. No. 884 I of 27 Octr 1896 flagged R.

24/3/98.

WH.
24.3.98.

The G.O. and letter to G.I. are passed.

25.3.98

FOR ODRERS.

additions to the list of recipients ordered by H.E. having been made –

~~Two~~ Three other additions have also been made to the list one providing for supplying Col Vibart R.E. late of the Madras P.W.D. with a copy – this officer having applied for a copy, ~~and~~ ~~the~~ another providing for 20 copies being made available for sale to the public – and a copy for the American Society of Civil Engineers –

21/3/98.

W.H.
21.3.98
"I"

X H.E.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
IRRIGATION BRANCH.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the

READ the following

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Please quote precedents, if any, of recent grants of this kind.
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A.S.H
25.3.98

The distribution of the first seven copies in the list is proposed in accordance with G.Os. Public No 1430, of 21.9.78 & No 337, of 27.2.78.

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W.H. No 352 I, 28.4.98

Order thereon.

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2. Ordered that the following letter be sent to the Govt of India:—

No 353 I, of 28.4.98

To
The Joint Secretary
to the Govt of India
P.W.D.

Sir,

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W.H.
21.3.98

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Note

Proof of Mr Russell's history put up with file returned to sent to D.S. for orders whether it may be returned to Press

29/3/98

Issue

W.H.
28.3.98

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Note

L.C.B.
28/3/98

To The Chief Eng for I.
" Supg Engs of Circles
" Ex. P.W.D.
" Supt: Govt Press
Mr. A. S. Russell Esq

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Board of Rev.	1
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Sub Collector, Ongole	1
Carried over	~~71~~ 72

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Madras "Mail"	1
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" "Hindu"	1
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