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Read the following letters :—

No. 136. From T. MOSS, Esq., Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts, to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 30th October 1874, No. 6,810.

As the orders of the Government of India printed with G.O., No. 2,634, of the 16th September 1874, have raised doubts and led to questions relative to members of the petty establishment, I have the honor to suggest that the views of Government regarding the position of such subordinates in the Madras Presidency may be made known to all District Engineers and Range Officers.

2. In the 3rd paragraph of the orders of the Government of India, members of the petty establishment are referred to among those for whom service books should be kept up in the offices or divisions to which they belong; but in this Presidency it has been the practice to regard members of the petty establishment as having no claim to pension or gratuity, in fact as belonging to the *temporary* establishment, and therefore the entertainment of and charges for petty establishment have been regulated, not by a sanctioned scale for the entire Presidency or for each district, but according to the lump sum* provided for it in the Budget and distributed to the several districts and ranges.

* *Vide* statement printed in G.O., No. 1,299, of 12th May 1871.

3. According to the Public Works Code of the Government of India,† petty establishment includes storekeepers, maistries or artificers employed on general duties, guards, chupprasiae (peons) not attached to offices, classies, chowkiedars and other inferior servants, and as the provisions of the Civil Pension Code are extended to this class of subordinates, there seems no reason why the same class of men should be differently treated in this Presidency. I may add that some of the members of the petty establishment in this Presidency have had continuous service for several years.

No. 137. From Captain L. CONWAY-GORDON, R.E., Controller of Public Works Accounts, to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Fort St. George, 10th December 1875, No. 169 W.

A REFERENCE having been recently made to this office regarding the eligibility of maistries on the Imperial petty establishment to pension, I have the honor to invite your attention to this office letter, No. 6,810, dated 30th October 1874, regarding the position of members of the petty establishment in this Presidency in respect to pension and gratuity, and to request that I may be favored with the views of Government as to the applicability of the provisions of the Civil Pension Code to this class of subordinates.

No. 138. ORDER THEREON, 14th January 1876, No. 70.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 12-A.

THE Governor in Council is of opinion that members of the Imperial petty establishment are, in accordance with the provisions of the Civil Pension Code, entitled to pensions. Service registers for these men should accordingly be carefully kept.

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2. District Engineers will submit at once statements of petty establishments actually maintained in each range, and account for any differences from the sanctioned scales of 1871-72, *vide* G.O., No. 1,299, dated 12th May 1871.

(True Extract.)



Major-General, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Controller of Public Works Accounts.
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