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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
11th July 1871.*

Read the following papers :—

No. 81. From the Acting Collector of Bellary, to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Bellary, 27th June 1871, No. 53.

In my letter, No. 49, dated the 10th instant, I omitted to propose the Superintending Engineer as a member for the circles of Gooty and Pennakonda.

2. I find now that there will be a difficulty in the Local Fund Boards obtaining his advice about any matters connected with those circles unless he is a member. I have, therefore, the honour to request that he may be appointed for both. There will be no difficulty, as the non-official members at present outnumber the official.

No. 82. From the Acting Superintending Engineer, 8th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Fort St. George, dated Madura, 30th June 1871, No. 1067.

In reference to the *Fort St. George Gazette* of the 20th June 1871, page 975, of which I find myself nominated a member of the Local Fund Board of the Dindigul Circle, I have the honour to request that this appointment may be either cancelled or revised.

2. I am not aware at whose suggestion or instigation this and the other departmental appointments to the various circles and municipalities in this division ~~have been made, but I certainly know that I have not been consulted in any one~~ single instance.

3. It appears to me that as the purposes to which the funds raised under Acts III and IV. of 1871 are to be applied, are for the greater part the construction, repair, and maintenance of public works, the idea of excluding the local head of the Public Works Department from the consideration of the most important works of his division and confining him to those situated in one corner of it is not a sound one, and is manifestly unfair to the rate-payers, who have a right to expect an adequate return for the money of which they are mulcted. What object, I may ask, is there in entertaining a Superintending Engineer if his services are to be utilized to so small an extent?

4. The Collector is, I observe, made, and very properly, as it appears to me, the *ex-officio* President of every Local Fund and Town Improvement Board in his district, and I consider that the interests of the service demand that the Superintending Engineer should equally be made *ex-officio* member of each such Board in his division.

5. The experiment of the adoption of these Local Fund Boards appears to me so very hazardous in regard to the benefits to be derived, that I think it is only my duty to represent the matter to Government. Is it probable that men engaged all day in their own business, and employing all the energies they can command in an enervating country like India, in amassing their own private fortunes, will much care, or have spare energy left, to devote to matters connected with these local circles? I cannot think so: and to exclude, therefore, from the consideration and control of such matters the officer specially appointed by Government for the superintendence of the works connected therewith, and who is their responsible

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adviser in all such subjects, appears to me so detrimental to the true interests of the Government and the people, that I trust that the Government will be pleased to re-consider this portion of the question.

6. The Local Fund roads of the Madura District are notoriously in a disgraceful state, notwithstanding that the maintenance of these roads is entrusted by Government to their own officers in the Revenue Department. What guarantee or chance is there of these roads being improved by handing them over to a Board equally incapable of keeping them in repair, and yet only partially responsible to Government? And as with roads, so it appears to me it will be the case with all the other public works handed over to the Boards.

Transferred to the Public Department.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
5th July 1871.

(Signed) J. CARPENDALE, Colonel, R. E.,
Secy. to Govt., P. W. D.

No. 83. ORDER THEREON, 11th July 1871, No. 1025.

The Government on re-consideration are of opinion that it is advisable that the Superintending Engineers should be members of all Local Fund Boards in their divisions.

Calicut, Bellary, Rajahmundry, Masulipatam, Sydapet, North Coimbatore, Cuddalore, and Dindigul.

been appointed members for the circles noted in the margin.

3. In other circles, also noted, the Superintending Engineer has not been appointed, but the proportion of official members being complete, he cannot now be nominated. To admit of this being done, the Collectors concerned will without delay recommend one additional non-official member for each circle.

Tellicherry, Gooty, Cuddapah, Madanapalli, Vellore, Chingleput, Trichinopoly, and Nursapatam.

4. As regards the remaining circles the following Notification will be issued:—

NOTIFICATION.

Under Section 5 of the Madras Local Funds' Act, the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint the under-mentioned persons to be members of the Local Fund Boards of the circles specified opposite their names:—

The Superintending Engineer, 1st Division	Chatterpore, Chicacole, Vizagapatam, and Cocanada.
Do. do. 2nd do.	Nellore and Guntur.
Do. do. 3rd do.	Pennakonda and Kurnool.
Do. do. 4th do.	Chittoor.
Do. do. 5th do.	Virdachalam, Salem, and Oosoor.
Do. do. 6th do.	Tanjore and Negapatam.
Do. do. 7th do.	South Coimbatore, Canara, and Neilgherries.
Do. do. 8th do.	Madura, Tinnevely, and Sermadevi.

5. It is observed that, including the Presidents, the official members already appointed for the Trichinopoly and Nursapatam Circles are in excess of the legal limit. The Collectors of the Trichinopoly and Vizagapatam Districts respectively

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will, therefore, now recommend one non-official member for these circles besides the one to be nominated to counterbalance the Superintending Engineer.

(True Extract.)

W. HUDLESTON,
Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Collector of
Public Works Department.
Board of Revenue.

Bill of 1871 31/10/71

PUBLIC.

To

THE COLLECTORS OF THE
SEVERAL DISTRICTS,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated July, 1871.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O. 11th July 1871, No. 1025.

JULY.

No. 81-83.

Passing of the subject of Superintendenting
Engineers being appointed members of all local
and Boards in their divisions.

BELLARY COLLECTOR'S OFFICE.

No. 52

Date. { 27 June 1871
Bellary.

From,

The Acting COLLECTOR OF
BELLARY

To

The Chief Secretary to Government
Madras

Sir,

In my letter no 49 dated the 10th Instant
I omitted to propose the Superintending En-
gineer as a member for the circles of Gooty
and Penakondam.

I find now that there will be a difficulty
in the Local Board obtaining his
advise about any matters connected with
those circles, unless he is a member. I
have therefore the honor to request that he
may be appointed for both. There will be
no difficulty, as the non official members
at present outnumber the official.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
W. Master
Acting Collector

For the Local
Board -
The Engr
not resident in these
circles - the same officer
can be both Engr and
member -

W. P. M.
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Madras
30th June 1871

No. 1067

From,

Lieut Col. R. A. Roberts R.E.

Ag. Superintg. Engineer 8th Div.

Colonel V. Learendale R.E.

Secretary to Government P.W.D.

Madras

Sir,

In reference to the Fort St. George Gazette of the 20th June 1871, page 975, of which I find myself nominated as member of the Local Board of the Dindigul District. I have the honor to request that my appointment may be either cancelled or revised. I am not aware at whose suggestion, or instigation, this & the other parliamentary appointments in the District & Municipalities in the Division have been made: but I certainly know that

Recd: 20th June 1871

Ent: 20th June

P.G. 8th June 1871

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COLLECTOR'S OFFICE
BELLARY

Dated, 27th June 1871 No. 53

To,

The Chief Secretary

Government of Madras

Encls. 1

Received 27th June 1871

No. 1349

Requesting the

affidavit of the

Superintendent of the

Police of the District

of Bellary District

in connection with

the case of the

13th June 1871

I have not been consulted in any one single instance.

3. It appears to me that as the purposes, to which the funds raised under Acts III & IV of 1871 are to be applied, are, for the greater part, the construction, repair, & maintenance of public works, the idea of excluding the local head of the Public Works Department from the consideration of the most important works of his Division, & confining him to those situated in one corner of it, is not a sound one, & is manifestly unfair to the rate-payers, who have a right to expect an adequate return for the money of which they are mulcted. What ~~subject I may ask is there in~~ ^{rather} entertaining a Superintending Engineer if his services are to be utilized to so small an extent

extent?

4. The collector is, I observe, made, & very properly as it appears to me, the Ex-Officio President of every Local Fund & Town Improvement Board in his District, & I consider that the interests of the service demand that the Superintending Engineer should equally be made Ex-Officio member of each such Board in his Division.

5. The experiment of the adoption of these Local Fund Boards appears to me so very hazardous in regard to the benefits to be derived, that I think it is only my duty to represent the matter to Government. Is it probable that men engaged all day in their own business, & employing all the energies they can command, in an enervating country like India, in amassing their

their own private fortunes, with much care, or have spare energy left, to devote to matters connected with these local circles? I cannot think so: & to exclude therefore from the consideration & controul of such matters, the officer specially appointed by Government for the superintendence of the works connected therewith, & who is their responsible adviser in all such sub-

~~As, appears to me so detrimental~~
to the true interests of the Government & the people, that I trust that the Government will be pleased to reconsider this portion of the question.

6. The Local Fund Roads of the Madras District are notoriously in a disgraceful state, notwithstanding that the maintenance of these roads is entrusted by Government to their

own

own Officers in the Revenue Department. What guarantee, or chance, is there of these roads being improved by handing them over to a Board, equally incapable of keeping them in repair, & yet only partially responsible to Government? And as with roads, so it appears to me it will be the case with all the other public works, handed over to the Boards.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
Richd. Roberts Esq. M.A.
Acting Superintending Engineer,
Sd. Division

Public Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter

From the Superintending Engineer to Secy to Govt
P.W.D. 7 30th June 1871 No 140.
From the Col: of Bellary 27 June 71 No 53.

Order thereon 11 July 1871 No 1225.

The Govt in consideration
of opinion that it is
advisable that the Superin-
tending Engineers should be
members of the local
fund boards in their divisions.

Calicut, Bellary, Rajamundry,
Masulipatam, Sydpet,
N. Coimbatore, Addalore,
Dindigul.

2. The Superintending Engi-
ners have already been
appointed members for the
circles noted in the margin.

Tellicherry, Sooty, Cuddalore,
Madrass, Vellore,
Chingleput, Trichinopoly,
Nandipatam

3. In other circles, also noted,
the Superintending Engineer
has not been appointed, but
the proportion of official
members being complete, he
cannot now be nominated
to admit of the being done.
The collectors concerned
will without delay recom-
mend an additional non-
official member for each
circle.

From the Secy to Govt
P.W.D. 7 30th June 1871

From the Col: of Bellary
27 June 71 No 53.

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the Public Dept.

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P.W.D. 7 30th June 1871

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P.W.D. 7 30th June 1871

4. As regards the ~~remaining~~ circles the following notification will be issued:—

Notification.

Under Section 5 of the Madras Local Funds Act, the P. in C. is pleased to appoint the ~~circles~~ mentioned ~~hereinafter~~ to be members of the Local funds boards of the circles specified opposite their names:—

The Superintending Engineer, 1 st Division	{	Chatterpon, Chicaole, Vizagapatam, Cocanada.
The Superintending Engineer 2 nd Division	{	Wells, Guntoor
The Superintending Engineer 3 rd Division	{	Punaconda, Kurnool.
The Superintending Engineer 4 th Division	{	Chingleput, Chittoor
The Superintending Engineer 5 th Division	{	Virdachalawa, Salem, Coosoor
The Superintending Engineer 6 th Division	{	Tanjore, Negapatnam, ~~Tanjore~~
The Superintending Engineer 7 th Division	{	S. Coimbatore, Canara, Nilgerry.
The Superintending Engineer 8 th Division	{	Madura, Trinnevely, Shernamadevi.

It is desired that, including the Presidents, the official members already appointed ~~for~~

Trichinopoly and Neusapatam circles are in excess of the legal limit. The Collectors of the Trichinopoly and Neusapatam districts, ^{respectively} will there-fore now recommend one non-official member for these circles besides the one to be nominated to counter balance the Superintending Engineer.

H.L.
A.

Gantle-11/9

To the Collectors of the several districts. ~~and~~ 1877
 — Public Works Deptt { ~~despatch~~
 — Board of Revenue. {

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11th July 1871.

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Dated July 11.
Recd. } 1871, No. 1025.

Nos. 81. 83.

Young ladies on the subject
of ~~university~~ ^{university} engineers being
apprenticed in view of a
coal mine boards in the
University.