# Public Works (1890) Department.

RAILWAY BRANCH.

**G.O., No.** 825 Ry.

**DATED** 10th June

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Mr. T. Mitchell, Executive Engineer.—Letter from the Govt. of India explaining with reference to —, memorial regarding his supersession, how Captain Burn-Murdoch is senior to him, Communicated to the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

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[P. W. Ry. / 760—25-9-99.]

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28TH MARCH 1888, No. 1005 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

## GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

## PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Establishment.

READ—the following paper:—

Resolution of the Government of India, Public Works Department (General), dated Calcutta, 14th March 1888, No. 613 G.

*Date of commencement of Service in the Public Works Department of Subalterns of Royal Engineers appointed to the Department since* 1872.

*Read* again—

Despatch No. 34 P.W., dated 23rd September 1886, from the Secretary of State for India.
Despatch No. 66 P.W., dated 31st October 1887, to the Secretary of State for India.

*Read* also—

Despatch No. 2 P.W., dated 19th January 1888, from the Secretary of State for India.

*Resolution*—

The present system of grading Subalterns of Royal Engineers on their first appointment to the Public Works Department with Civil Engineers has been under the consideration of the Secretary of State and the Government of India, in connection with the question of the establishment of Royal Engineers to be retained in India.

2. The conclusion arrived at is, that under the existing system young Royal Engineer officers, whose service in the department commences from the date on which they first join, are placed at a disadvantage in comparison with the Engineers appointed from the Royal Indian Engineering College at Coopers Hill, who count service in the department from the date on which they leave college, to go through a course of practical training, either in England or India.

3. After a full consideration of the relative ages at which the students of the Royal Indian Engineering College obtain their appointments and the Royal Engineers obtain their first commissions, it is considered that the two classes would be placed on an equality by allowing Royal Engineers who enter the department as Subalterns after more than two-and-a-half years' military service, to count their service in the department as commencing two-and-a-half years after the date of their first commission.

4. His Excellency the Governor-General in Council is therefore pleased to rule, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State, that Subalterns of Royal Engineers, appointed to the department subsequent to the year 1872, when Engineers from the Royal Indian Engineering College first entered the department, shall count their departmental service as commencing two-and-a-half years after date of first commission, unless the actual date at which they joined was earlier; provided that no officer shall add more than one year to his actual service in the department under this rule.

5. In publishing this decision, the Governor-General in Council desires it shall be recognised in the department generally that departmental seniority gives no absolute claim to promotion, since in the words of the Secretary of State's despatch of 19th January 1888, the principle on which advancement in the department is based, is selection for merit, the influence of seniority alone being of secondary importance in most cases.

*Order*—

The Governments of Madras, Bombay, Bengal, the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, and the Punjab.
,, Chief Commissioners of the Central Provinces, Burma (Upper and Lower), Assam and Coorg.
,, Resident at Hyderabad.
,, Agents to the Governor-General for Central India, Rajputana, and Beluchistan.
,, Accountant-General, Public Works Department.
,, Inspector-General of Military Works.
,, Director-General of Railways.
,, Consulting Engineers to the Government of India for Railways, Calcutta, Central Division and Lucknow.
,, Director-General of Telegraphs.
,, Director, Persian Telegraph.
,, Director, Persian Gulf Telegraph.
,, Superintendent of Works, Simla Imperial Circle.

Ordered that this Resolution be communicated to the Local Governments, Administrations and Officers noted on the margin, for information.

Ordered also that copy be forwarded to the Military Department.

(Signed) G. H. D. WALKER,
Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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ORDER—dated 28th March 1888, No. 1005 W., Public Works.

Communicated to Superintending Engineers and to the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

2. The names of officers affected by the present ruling are given in the attached statement. The dates in column 4 will be entered in future classified lists as the dates of their appointment to the Public Works Department.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. R. MEAD, Colonel, R.E.,
Joint Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To Superintending Engineers.
To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
,, Consulting Engineer for Railways.
,, Consulting Architect to Government.
,, Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
,, Military Department.

Exd. J. Moses.
Spare Copies

## ANNEXURE.

| Name. | Date of first Commission. | Actual date of appointment to the Public Works Department. | Date of commencement of service in the Public Works Department under present order. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Boddy, O. V., Captain, R.E. | 23rd July 1870 | 1st April 1873 | 23rd January 1873. |
| Henderson, C. B., Captain, R.E. | 23rd ,, ,, | 25th March ,, | 23rd ,, ,, |
| Langley, L., Captain, R.E. | 23rd ,, ,, | 1st April ,, | 23rd ,, ,, |
| Baddeley, W. L. C., Captain, R.E. | 15th December 1871 | 23rd July 1875 | 23rd July 1874. |
| Lindley, W. D., Captain, R.E. | 9th January 1873 | 23rd February 1885 | 23rd February 1884. |

GENERAL.
ESTABLISHMENT.

# Govt. of {1888} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

*Dated March, 28th.*

*Recd.* *Encl.*

**G.O., 28th Mar. 1888, No. 1005 W.**

**MARCH.**

## Royal Engineers

Resolution of the Government of India forwarding instructions as to the manner of reckoning the date of commencement of service in the Public Works Department of Subalterns of — appointed to the department since 1872, communicated to Superintending Engineers and the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, with remarks.

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Form No. 1.

Public Works Department.

Office of Consulting Engineer for Railways,
*Madras,* 6th January 1890.

Petition from Mr. J. Michell, Executive Engineer, Villupuram Guntakal Railway, dated 18th December 1889, to the address of the Secretary of State for India re: his service in the P.W. Dept.

No. 2.

Submitted to Government.

Sidney Smith
Major R.E.
For Consg. Engr. for Rys.

B.
Form No. 3
No. 65 R d/ 15th Jany/90.

C.J.S. 10.1.90
Issd 10 Jan

Ordered to be forwarded to the Home Government through the Government of India.

Ed. No. 66 R d/ 15th Jany/90.

Forwarded.

C.J.S.
8. 1. 90

Copy to
J. Mitchell Esqre.
Ex: Engineer
thro' the Con: Engr for Rys:

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9-1-90. R. 10-1-90.

From

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER
FOR RAILWAYS,
MADRAS,

P.W.C. No. 121

No. 2.

Dated 6th } January 1890.
Received 7 }

No. of Enclosures. 1

Subject.

Submitting, petition from Mr J. Mitchell Executive Engineer, Villupuram Guntakal Railway, to the address of the Secretary of State for India, regarding his service in the Public Works Department.

B.
No. 65-66 R d/ 15th Jany/90.

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All communications should be addressed to the Secretary.

No. 497 G.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
GENERAL.

To

The Joint Secretary to the Government of
Madras, (Railway Branch),
Public Works Department.

Calcutta, the 20th February 1890

Sir,

With reference to your endorsement No 66 R. dated the 15th January 1890 submitting a memorial from Mr J. Mitchell, Executive Engineer, appealing against his supersession by Captain W. J. Constable, Executive Engineer 3rd grade, under the operation of Public Works Department Resolution No 613 G. of 1888, I am directed to refer you to Public Works Department Notification No 74 dated the 12th February 1890 in which the date of permanent promotion to Executive Engineer 3rd grade of Mr Mitchell has been antedated to 10th June 1887.

The effect of this is to place him on equal terms with Captain Constable so far as mere seniority is concerned in regard to

P.W. C No 1937.

to further promotion, and is in accordance with the orders of the Secretary of State on the question.

C.L.S.
26.2.V

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
your most obedient Servant,

Recd 26-2-90

G H Walker
Under-Secretary to the
Government of India.

Documents accompanying. OCR
- Nil -

B
No. 318 dated 3rd March 90

Hon. H. E. Stokes, C.I.

C.L.S.
1.3.V
Recd 28 Feb

Forwarded to the Consulting Engineer for Railways with reference to his Endorsement No. 2 dated 6th January 1890 for Communication to Mr Mitchell.

No. 65-66R of 15-1-90
" 1005W " 28-3-88

C.L.S.
26.2.90
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B
No. 318 R of 3.3.90

To
The Consg: Engr for Rys.

Hm. 27-2-90 R 1-3-90 D 4/3 14/3 LRC 13/3.

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Form No. 1.

OFFICE OF CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR RAILWAYS,
Madras, 21st April 1890.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Memorial from Mr. J. Mitchell, Executive Engineer, Villupuram Guntakal State Railway, dated 14th April 1890, to the Secretary of State for India.

No. 278

~~SUBMITTED.~~

Submitted to Government with reference to its Proceedings No. 318 R, dated 3rd March 1890.

Sidney Smith
Major R.E.,
Dy Consg: Engr for Rys.

P.W. C No 1937.

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C.L.S.
26.2.90

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Sir,
your most obedient Servant,

Recd 26-2-90

G H Walker

Under-Secretary to the
Government of India.

Documents accompanying. ~~B.C.R.~~
- Nil -

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To
The consg: Engr for Rys

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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Fr. B. No. 318 R d/ 3-3-90
" " 65-66 R d/ 15-1-90
" A " 1005 W d/ 28-3-88

Form No. 3.

PWC No. 3852

From

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER
FOR RAILWAYS,
MADRAS,

~~Sw. to H.E. Stokes C.E.~~

B. No. 587 R d/ 29th April/90.

No. 278

88/1/5/90

Dated 21st } April 1890
Received 22 }

No. of Enclosures. 1

Mo. vouch.

Ordered to be forwarded to the Home Government through the Government of India with reference to letter from the latter Government No. 497 G, dated 20th February 1890.

Subject.

Submitting memorial from Mr. T. Michell, Executive Engineer, V.G.S.Ry, regarding his supersession by a junior.

H. No. 588 R dated 29th April/90.

Forwarded.

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25.4.90
&
for R.

B.

No. 587-88 R. 29th April 1890

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To The Consg. Engr. for Rys.

0/23/4 R 1-5-90

Adm. 25/4. R 28.4.90

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All communications should be addressed to the Secretary.

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
29 MAY 90
P.W. DEPARTMENT, MADRAS.

No. 1315 G.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

GENERAL.

To

The Joint Secretary to the Government
of Madras, Public Works Department,
(Railway Branch)

Simla, the 21st May 1890.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your No. 588 R. dated the 29th April 1890, forwarding a memorial from Mr. T. Michell, Executive Engineer, addressed to the Secretary of State, on the subject of his alleged supersession by Captain Burn-Murdoch, R.E.

2. In reply I am to request that you will cause it to be explained to Mr. Michell that the sole ground on which it was ruled that the seniority given to Captain Constable under Public Works Department Resolution

No.

No. 613 G. dated the 14th March 1888 should not carry him above Mr. Michell and the other Coopers' Hill men of the same year, was that their month of appointment was October 1875, which was also the month to which Captain Constable's appointment was antedated under the Resolution. Captain Burr-Murdoch's appointment to the Public Works Department was, however, antedated by the Resolution to February 1875, and he is, therefore, senior to Captain Constable and to the Coopers' Hill officers of that year.

Recd 29.V.90
3-6-90

B. No. 825 R.G. 10th June/90.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your Most obedient Servant.

Fr. Bw. 587.88 R.G. 29.4.90
. . . . 318 R.G. 3.3.90
. . . 65-66 R.G. 15.1.90
. B. . 1005 W.G. 28.3.88

Hd. Dpmn

Communicated to the Consg. Engr. for Railways with reference to his endorsement No. 278 dated 21st April 1890.-

G H D Walker

Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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6.6.90

Documents accompanying
Nil

Od. 28.5.90. R 9.6.90

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Hm. 6-6-90.

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20 The Consg. Engr. for Ry.

Government of Madras,
Public Works Department
(Railway Branch).

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Go no. 828R d/ 12.6.90

## CASE.

Mr. A. T. Anderson,
Supervisor.

P. W. D. No. 9102

Consulting Engineer to the Government of India
for Railways, Central Division.

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With reference to your letter No. 1303. E. dated 30th July 1889, I am directed to request that, Mr. A. T. Anderson, Supervisor, Indian Midland Railway, may be instructed to proceed to Madras and report himself to the Joint Secretary to that Government in the Public Works Department, Railway Branch, for employment on the East Coast Railway Survey. He should arrive not later than the 1st November 1889.

Recd 30-9-89
Encl: 1 - Packet

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No. 1096 R. d/ 11th Octr. 89.

5 Oct.

Communicated to the Engineer-in-Chief East Coast Railway Survey for information with the Confidential Report.

C.L.S.
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C.L.S.
16. 10. 9

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To

The Engr.-in-Chief E. C. Ry. Survey with Confidential Report
" Exr. P. W. Accts.
" Cong. Engr. Rys.

Hw. 6. x. 89
R 7. x. 89

All communications should be addressed to the Secretary.

No. 2691. G.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

GENERAL.

Simla, the 20th September 1889.

The following together with copy of confidential report on Mr. A. T. Anderson, Supervisor, forwarded to the Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras, Railway Branch, Public Works Department, for information.

By Order.

G. H. Walker

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

23/9

Copy of a letter No. 2690. G. dated 20th September 1889, from the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, to the Consult-

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No. 10201/89

No. 29.x.89

1301

To

The Chief Engr for Rys.

" " Engr-in-Ch: E.C.Rys

" " Exr. Rys Accts.

Despd. 29.x.89

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Class. DS. INDIAN TELEGRAPH. 10336 Local No.

To (Station) Madras. From (Station) Vizagapatam

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To (Person) B. Baxter, Ex. En. Care C. En.

From (Person) C. E. East Coast Ry.

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2 debits against him he can
3 have an advance of one
4 months pay and travelling
5 allowance which obtain thro
6 examiner –

8 To Mr. Anderson
9 For information

B. Baxter
Ex. Engr.
Ellore Divn. E.C.Ry.

I cannot agree to advance unless sanctioned by letter R.i. as I have no means of telling whether the condition referred to by the E.-C. is fulfilled.
W.C. 12/10

Recd. from At Hrs. L. N. Mts., By Sent to At Hrs. Mts., By

Date MADRAS 28-10-89 Telegraph Master.

[illegible] 2090 [illegible] dated 20th September 1889, from the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, to the Consulti

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P.W.C. No. 0201

authorize the Examiner to give me the advances asked for.

I beg to remain
Your most obedt. Servt.
A. J. Anderson
Supervisor 1st Grade

Recd 29. 10. 89
E1

B. No. 1188 R of 29th Oct/89.

I suppose it has been ascertained that the Exmr. will give it on this order. No rule is quoted.
W.S.
30/10

Let 30/10 The advance of one month's salary to Mr. A. J. Anderson, Supervisor 1st Grade, is sanctioned.
29/10 D.R.

To The Consg. Engr. for Rys.
" " Engr.-in-Ch. E.C.Rys.
" " Exer. Pr. Audr.
Despd 30-x-

Als 29.x.89
R30/

To
The Secretary to Government
Railway Branch
Madras.

Sir,

With reference to the accompanying telegram from the Engineer-in Chief East-Coast Railway Sanctioning an advance of a months pay and travelling allowance, on the condition that there are no debits against me, I beg to state that the Examiner is unable to grant me the advance as I have no last pay certificate with me. The ~~Ex Engineer~~ Auditor of the Indian Midland Railway promised to send on the Certificate, but up to date it has not reached me. I certify however that there are no claims against me; and I beg that Government will

No. 1096 R d/ 11-10-1889.

1889.

**P. W. DEPARTMENT.**

Current No. 10538

From The Auditor
Indian Midland Ry. Company
Jhansi

ENCLOS.— 1

No. 98/5447
Dated 2-11-1889
Received 6- - -

SUBJECT.

A. J. Anderson, Supervisor, Indian Midland Ry. Company — Forwarding Last Pay certificate of —

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DISPOSAL. / Sd/ H. C. S
12/11

No. 5285 C Dated 13th Nov. 1889

Transferred to the Examiner P. W. Accts with reference to Prov. No. 1096 R d/ 11th October 1889.

/ Sd/ C. S. Smith Col. RE
Jt Secy: to Govt P. W. D
Ry. Branch

D 14/11

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Hon. Mr H. E. Stokes C.S.I.

PWC no 11242 5

No. 5655 C d/ 3rd Dec. 1889

Forwarded to the Engineer-in-Chief East Coast Railway Survey with reference to para 864 of the Madras P. W. D. Code.

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Recd 25. 3. 89
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5285 C d/ 13. 11. 89

No. 5655-6 C d/ 3-XII-89

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To
The Engr-in-Chief
E. C. Ry. Sy.
with Service Book.

AM 28/11/89

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Indian Midland Railway Company.
Auditor's Office, Jhansi,

21st November 1889

No. $\frac{98}{5775}$

To

The Joint Secretary to Madras Govt
P. W. D., Railway branch
Madras

Cw. 10538

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No. $\frac{98}{5447}$ dated 2nd instant, I have the honor to forward herewith the Service Book of Supervisor Anderson and request an acknowledgement.

Acknowledge
28/11

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servt.

Auditor

Enc: 1
Service Book

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No. 5285 C d/ 13-11-89
" 1096 R " 11-10-89

No. 5655-6 C d/ 3rd Dec. 1889

No. 5285 C d/ 13.11.89.
" 1096 R " 11.10.89

H. M. 28/11/89. 2.XII.89

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C

No. 5656 C

Government of Madras.

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,**

RAILWAY BRANCH.

To

The Auditor

Indian Midland Railway Coy.
Jhansi

3rd ~~November~~ Decr 1889.

SIR,

I have the honor to acknowledge, as requested, the receipt of the Service Book of Supervisor A. T. Anderson forwarded with your letter No. $\frac{98}{5775}$ dated 21st November 1889 -

Ulto
19 Nov

A.S.
27.11.9

D 4/12

FOR ORDERS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

RAILWAY BRANCH.

READ the following :—

Letter from Engr. in Chief - East Coast Railway No $\frac{833}{17}$ of 9th May 1890

Memo from Exr. P.W. Accounts No 3004 of 23rd May 1890

FOR ORDERS.

This appears to be a hard case; 1st because the subordinate presumably was not aware of the existence of Note I, and 2nd in consequence of this the claim for his own travelling allowance was disallowed because it then came under another para. of the Civil Service Regulations.

The Examiner has now passed this latter amount because the Engr. in chief took the matter into his own hands, and made an advance to the subordinate -

Although a portion of the claim was not in accordance with the regulations, it does not seem just that the Examiner should have disallowed his own Travelling allowance to which he was clearly entitled -

Sidney Smith
Major R.E.

2.6.90 | Under Secy. to Govt. P.W.D. R'ways

This is a hard case, but we have no power to sanction. The claim must be submitted to India with favourable recommendation.

U.S.
7 June

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Wd. 6/6. R 9.6.90

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No. 828 R of 12th June 1890.

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No. 828 R

Government of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

RAILWAY BRANCH.

To

The Secy. to the Govt. of India
P. W. Department
Simla

12th June 1890.

Sir,

In forwarding a copy of the ×Proceedings of this Government No 827 R dated 12th June 1890, embodying correspondence regarding Supervisor Anderson's claim to travelling allowance for himself & family from Jhansi to Bezwada via Madras during October 1889, I am directed to recommend that, under the circumstances explained, ~~the claim be admitted~~ -

× With five original enclosures - favour of return requested

Infs despts to India with 5 orgl. enclos:
12-6-90.

The certificate required by the note to Art 1205 C.S.R. may be dispensed with, and Mr. Anderson's claim under that article may be admitted subject to audit.
Wts 11 June

10.6.90
W Forbes
Major R.E.

2.6.90 | Undersecy. to Govt. P.W.D. Ry. Bra.