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the scheme for a reorganized Public Works On the recommendation of the Gov- was determined that the two Superintendi ment of India, in paragraph 11 of their appointed Inspecting Engineers. An additi ter No. 635, of 8th May 1872, reviewing number of nineteen District Engineers who partment, as first submitted to them, it were substituted in the new scheme for Engineers of the first grade should be the eight Superintending Engineers of the old system; and this reduced the number to that extent was thereby made to the of senior officers available for Executive duties by thirteen.

2. It has been found, after nearly eighteen months' trial, that the strength of the Engineer establishment is insufficient to meet the calls for officers to take charge of districts, especially at times when the number of applications for furlough that have to be complied with is unusually large. Already the list of Executive Engineers, third grade, has been exhausted to provide officers for charge of districts; and His Excellency the Governor in Council is at last reluctantly compelled to order that the functions of the two senior Superintending Engineers as Inspecting Engineers only shall be held in abeyance, and that those officers be instructed to take charge, Colonel Foord of the Bellary, and Lieutenant-Colonel Roberts of the Tanjore district. Major Mead will then be enabled to avail himself of his furlough; and Captain Edgcome will be made available for the Trichinopoly District, so long vacant.

3. But His Excellency the Governor in Council considers it in the highest degree desirable that he should have at his disposal the services of officers of standing in the department for purposes of occasional inspection; and it has accordingly been decided to arrange the twenty districts of the Presidency in five divisions of four districts each, one district in each group to be held by a Superintending Engineer, who shall be considered available for inspection duties within his group when required.

4. With this view, Major Hasted is selected for promotion to the rank of Superintending Engineer, third grade, to fill the vacancy caused by Colonel Bean's departure; his inspection division consisting of the Ganjam, Vizagapatam, and Godavery districts, in addition to his own, the Kistnah district. The second division will consist of Bellary, Kurnool, Cuddapah, and Nellore. The third of Chingleput, North Arcot, Salem, and South Arcot, with the Presidency and Bangalore. The fourth of Coimbatore, Canara, Malabar, and the Neilgherry. The fifth of Tanjore, Trichinopoly, Madura, and Tinnevelly.

5. Superintending Engineers will not be at liberty to leave their own districts for any purpose whatever, except under special orders of Government. No periodical returns will be sent them from other districts; the allotment of repair funds and the check of rates will rest with the Chief Engineers. The offices of the Inspecting Engineers will be abolished; and those of Superintending Engineers increased as follows, viz.:—

	1st, 2nd, and 5th Divisions.
	Rs.
1 Draftsman and Estimator	60
1 Clerk	40
Total ...	100

	3rd and Divisions.	Rs.
1 Draftsman and Estimator ...	... ...	40
1 Clerk	... ...	30
	Total ...	70

who will be available to accompany Si[illegible]ntending Engineers on inspections or to be detached by them to the assistance of o[illegible] District Engineers, when needed; drawing the usual batta while absent from the[illegible]ead-quarters. Heads of offices will endeavour to provide for those unemployed members of Inspecting Engineer's establishments that may apply to them for employment. The Inspecting Engineers' offices may probably best be utilized as Medical Officers' quarters in connection with the adjacent hospital (formerly the Public Works Workshop and Stores). The Consulting Architect will report upon this, and on the provision of a new office for himself.

6. The above arrangements will take effect from the dates on which Colonel Foord and Lieutenant-Colonel Roberts respectively assume their district charges.

(True Extract.)

[illegible] Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
" Inspecting Engineer for Buildings.
" " for Ports and C[illegible]anications.
" District Engineers.
" Consulting Architect.
To Lieutenant-Colonel Kennedy.
To the Controller of Public Works Accounts.
" Public, &c., Departments.
" Revenue Department.
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Inspecting Engineers—The annual meeting of the two ensuing Superintending Engineers as Inspecting Engineers held in accordance, and a rearrangement of the districts of this Presidency sanctioned in order to provide for the services of officers of standing in the department being available for the best of occasional inspection

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