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No. 54. Read the following letter from Lieutenant Colonel J. H. BELL, Chief Engineer ; to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated 25th July 1859, No. 3057.

Enclosures 2.
1 Letter from the Acting District Engineer of Ganjam, dated 5th July 1859, No. 89, with
1 Enclosure.

With reference to the Proceedings of Government, No. 1092, dated 9th May 1859, I have the honor to forward herewith a letter received from the Acting District Engineer of Ganjam, reporting on the works which it is deemed necessary to execute for the security of the Chicacole Jail and the safe custody of the prisoners confined therein.

2. Captain Harington reports that the greatest attention has been paid by his Department to the points noticed by the Inspector General of Jails in his Report, dated 12th and 13th February 1859. A thorough examination of the building has been made by Captain Philipps, Executive Engineer, Sub Engineer Colquhoun and the District Engineer himself.

3. It will be observed, that the Medical Officer of the Station agrees with Captain Harington in thinking that the suggestion of Mr. Rohde, for improving the means of ventilation, by the removal of the flat tiles on either side of the ridge of the roof, would, if adopted, tend only to injure the roof. The ventilation in the opinion of both Officers, is at present sufficient.

4. Mr. Rohde urges the necessity of having ties to the main rooms of the Hospital ; but an inspection of the building has satisfied Captain Harington, that the ties are unnecessary, and that no apprehensions need be entertained of the security of the walls in consequence of the thrust of the roof, as the roof is a good couple roof with a span of 18 feet. The District Engineer, further, does not share in the fears of the Inspector General of Jails, as to the buttresses tearing away any portion of the Hospital bath rooms, and with regard to the alleged insecurity of the fastenings to the Hospital doors, Captain Harington states, that the fastenings consist of good bolts and strong locks, and that as they fasten outside, the inmates of the Hospital cannot touch them.

5. The door-way leading from the Hospital main Ward into the Surgery has already been built up, and orders have been given by the District Engineer for the immediate construction of a strong palisade from the outer to the inner gate of the Jails, as proposed by the Inspector General of Jails, to prevent the possibility of any rush of prisoners on the Arms of the Guard. An Estimate amounting to Rupees (95) ninety-five, has been received for this latter work, and it forms an accompaniment to Captain Harington's letter now forwarded.

6. Tunnels of sufficient vent to admit of the passage of the drainage have been built, and the District Engineer reports that repairs to the roof of the Store room estimated at Rupees (20) twenty, are also necessary, and with the concurrence of the proper authorities, he promises to execute the same.

Transferred to the Judicial Department.

Fort Saint George,
25th July 1859.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
Secretary to Government.

No. 55. ORDER THEREON, 29th July 1859, No. 1013.

Government approve the few necessary steps which, as the Chief Engineer reports, have been taken, and it is proposed to take, for improving and repairing the Jail at Chicacole.

2. Copy of these Proceedings will be forwarded for the information of the Inspector General of Jails.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant.

Central Office of P.W.
Fort St. George 26 July 1859.

W. Kelly Lieut. Colonel
Chief Engineer

(illegible) Major
Dy. Chief Engr. N. Circle

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From
The Chief Engineer
To The Secretary to Govern[t]
F. W. D.

Dated 25 July 1859.
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Enclosures 2
No 1211.

Reports on the works which it is deemed necessary to undertake for the security of the Chicacole Jail.

With an Order.

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The Chief Eng[r] with Letter & Estimate returned.
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