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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
from 2nd to 8th July 1859.*

No. 29. Read the following Proceedings of Government, in the Public Works Department,
dated 29th June 1859, No. 1593.

Communicate Extract from a Despatch from the Secretary
of State for India, dated 6th May 1859, No. 7, approving
Judicial and other buildings, alterations and repairs
sanctioned in last quarter. } (Vide Proceedings, Public Works Department,
from 25th June to 1st July 1859, No. 6.)

No. 30. ORDER THEREON, 5th July 1859, No. 920.

This para, approving the alterations and repairs of buildings sanctioned in the Judicial
Department, as reported in para. 29 of Judicial letter 13th December, No. 2 of 1858—calls for
no remark.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

Extract from a letter from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, dated 6th May 1859, No. 7.

Letter dated 28th October (No. 27) 1858.

Forwarding for execution a Commission of the Supreme Court relative to an action by Rungiah Chetty, against Captain Hitchins.

4. The documents transmitted with this letter, were, as you requested forwarded to Mr. Lawford but owing to the return to India of Captain Hitchins the Commission has not been executed.

Letter dated 11th November (No. 1) 1858.

Proposed road from Russelcondah in Ganjam to Koinjoro, on the Madras frontier en route to Nagpore, &c., also road from Parvattipore in Vizagapatam to Jeypore.

5. The proposed road from Russelcondah to Koinjoro seems to be one of much importance, as, with the proposed extension towards Solumpore, it will afford facilities for cart traffic between the Nagpore country and the coast, thereby not only promoting the commercial prosperity of the Districts traversed but exercising a highly beneficial influence on the wild Khoond tribes, by bringing them into closer intercourse with their more civilized neighbours.

6. The proceedings connected with the construction of this road cannot however, be viewed with the same satisfaction as the project itself. For the first portion of it, two lines are successively selected, and the work upon each was commenced upon estimates merely conjectural and framed without any previous survey or detailed calculations.

7. In the case of the line first adopted (that by the Gullery valley) some excuse for this irregularity was afforded by the fact that the work was undertaken to give relief to a starving population but this circumstance is inadequate to account for the loss of time and waste of money involved in the operations on both lines. The second line has it seems been found to have been as ill selected as the first and after an expenditure of Rupees 20,000 on the two, a great part of it is in turn to be abandoned in favor of a third for the extension of which to Koinjoro, an outlay of Rupees 50,000 is expected to be required. The estimate in this case also being merely conjectural, you have refused to insert it in your next Budget insisting upon such a previous survey as will furnish data for more certain conclusions. Before any further expenditure is sanctioned, you will doubtless consider the question raised by the Executive Engineer of Ganjam as to the expediency of continuing the road to Solumpore or to some other place of equal importance beyond the Madras frontier instead of allowing it to terminate at "an insignificant jungle village like Koinjoro."

8. That there does not already exist a road practicable for carts between Koinjoro and Solumpore can only be the result of extreme mismanagement. Its completion by Lieutenant Wyld was mentioned in your letter of 28th April (No. 9) 1854 para. 16, but Mr. Cockburn now states that the road "has been totally neglected ever since its original construction" and that at present "it is not capable of being used by carts without the greatest difficulty during any portion of the year." It is surprising that the statement of this very discreditable state of things should have been received without being immediately followed by an order for its being investigated and explained.

9. The second road to which these papers relate, namely, that from Jeypore to Parvattipore, whence a road to the sea at Calingapatam is already under construction, will also tend to promote commercial intercourse between Nagpore and a portion of the coast considerably to the south of that to which the line through Russelcondah leads. Its construction is, moreover, in your opinion, essential to the improvement of the Jeypore country, and to the extirpation of the inhuman rites still practised there, while it is also deemed to be of much importance in a Military point of view. The length of the line is 64½ miles and an estimate of the cost amounting to Rupees 1,50,000 has been submitted which though not based upon a regular survey, you have authorised to be inserted in the next Budget, because in the cursory examination actually made the "levels were taken with the aneroid." It is necessary therefore, to apprise you that the construction of a road, expected to cost so large a sum cannot be sanctioned without previous submission of a trustworthy estimate founded upon a regular survey.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
Public.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Dated 29th June 1859, No. 1593.

1. The Government proceed to pass orders on the following paragraphs of the letter in his department from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State, dated 6th May 1859, No. 7.

Para. 4. The Commission of the Supreme Court in the action of Rungiah Chetty has not been executed in consequence of Captain Hitchin's return to India.

2. Communicated to the Government Solicitor with reference to his letter dated 25th October 1858 No. 553.

5 @ 8. Remarking on the waste of money and unsatisfactory nature of the proceedings taken for opening a road from Russelcondah to Koinjoro; and on the neglect into which the cart road between Koinjoro and Solum-pore constructed by Lieutenant Wyld, was allowed to fall.

3. The attention of the Chief Engineer and through him that of the Officers concerned will be directed to the remarks made by the Home Government on the correspondence* relating to these roads.

9. Observe that the construction of the road from Jeypore to Parvatapore expected to cost so large a sum as 1,50,000 Rupees cannot be sanctioned without previous submission of a trustworthy estimate founded upon a regular survey.

* From Officiating Chief Engr. 28th July 1858 No. 2300.
Extract Minutes Consultation 30th Aug. " " 1768.
From Officiating Chief Engr. 21st Oct. " " 4731.
From Officiating Chief Engr. 8th July " " 1803.
Extract Minutes Consultation 19th Aug. " " 1663.

10 @ 12. Communicate remarks respecting the steps taken for improving the sanitary condition of Berhampore and regarding the improvements still remaining to be introduced.

4. Communicated to the Chief Engineer and Board of Revenue. It is observed that an estimate of Rupees 600
* Cons. 8th March 1859 Nos. 92-93. has recently* been sanctioned for raising and draining the streets of Berhampore.

5. The remaining paras. 14 to 17 being in reply to letters from the Public, Ecclesiastical and Judicial Departments, will be communicated to those departments.

(True Extract.)

[Signature]
Secretary to Government.

To the Government Solicitor.

- " Board of Revenue.
- " Chief Engineer.
- " Public Department.
- " Ecclesiastical Department.
- " Judicial Department.

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Exd. Wm. Thomas.

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Communicate to
from Mr. D. W. from the
Secy. of Public Works
of 6. May 1859 Re. of
proving public and other
buildings, alterations
repairs, sanctioned in
last quarter.

Let. of 29 July.

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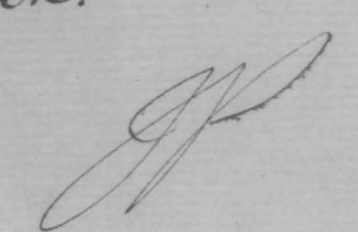
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Communicating para 17.
of a Despatch from the Rl.
Hon'ble the Secretary of State,
dated 5th May No. 7 of 1859,
Sub: Works: Levee.

Enter 29 June 1859 No. 1593.

Order there on 5 July 1859 No. 20.

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alterations & repairs of
buildings sanctioned in
the Judicial Department
as reported in para 29 of
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