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(A true Extract.)

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(Signed) H. FORBES,
Acting Secretary to Government.

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Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works Fort St George Under date the 9th October 1857.

Read the following letter

From the Quarter Master General of the Army.

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/ A. C. No 2556, dated 8th October 1857 /

Encl 1 Ext. Letter (to be returned)

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/ True Extract /
A. Taylor Colonel
Chief Engineer

To,
The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department.

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Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Under date the 20th October 1857.

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Extract from the Chief Engineer —

Were entered 9th Octr 1857 No 4362/

With these Nos 9 the Chief Engineer forwards a letter from the Deputy Quarter Master General of the Army with Extract of one from Lt Col Moore, Commanding 3d Details en route to Secunderabad, as shewing the inconveniences which have resulted from the operations for the repair of Trunk Roads Nos 6 and 7 having been stopped, under the restrictive orders of the 17 July last. Col Fabre does not give the amount of the Estimates under which the

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J. B.

J. Copied to the Chief Engr.
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