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No. 3. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer, dated 26th November 1857, No. 5519.

Read the following letters from W. ROBINSON, Esq., Acting Collector of Malabar; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated Cochin, 14th November 1857, No. 5033.

SIR,

In forwarding the accompanying address by Mr. Brown, I beg to inform you that I have examined the carefully prepared trace, and consider that the road will prove a great benefit to the country.

2. What Mr. Brown, states in regard to the perfectly public character of the road is true. It leads to villages leased to him but it opens up several miles of country over which he has no right, and renders accessible the water carriage to the country round.

3. I beg most strongly to support the application for an increased period within which to liquidate the loan.

From F. C. BROWN, Esq.; to WILLIAM ROBINSON, Esq., Acting Collector of Malabar, dated Tellicherry, 11th November 1857.

SIR,

With the effective aid of the Native Surveyor, of whose services you allowed me to dispose, the road I propose opening from Kallye to the Kalloor Junction, has been a second time examined and in parts amended, agreeably to the Trace submitted to you, and returned in your letter of the 22nd October. I am now in a condition to begin the work, and, as the preliminary for the loan of 5,000 Rupees which the Government have sanctioned for its execution, I beg leave to forward herewith an undertaking to repay the money without interest in three years, if so required.

In making this engagement, I must be permitted to correct a misapprehension, of which the language of my application for the advance may possibly be the cause, that I applied through you to the Government "for a loan of public money to make a private road." I hope you are satisfied that every foot of the road in question will be not a private, but strictly a public road, that its object is, first, to protect from such a famine as this season has witnessed the secluded inland population to whom it will open access, and who are fed by supplies of Paddy from Coorg second, to bring these supplies by the nearest Cart road to the place, where a tidal river, navigable for large boats at the driest season, will transport them at the least cost to the two principal towns of Cannanore and Tellicherry, also dependant for their subsistence upon the same granary. The Cantonment of Cannanore was brought to such famines point in August last that the Brigadier Commanding applied to me officially at Anjarakandy for all the Rice and Paddy I could spare to distribute to the troops. I did send for their use every spare grain, but it was at the expence of failing to supply the equally urgent wants of my own labourers and neighbours. I hope the new road will be the means of guarding the population, partially at least, against the recurrence of this intense suffering, by making it the interest of the inland grain dealer materially to increase their seasons stock, when they see that large markets will be open at all times in which to dispose of any surplus they may have remaining on hand.

If I, a private man, step forward to make this road, it is simply for the reasons that the native public, whom the road is intended directly to benefit, is too ignorant and too poor to make it, and because the Government, whose Revenue and Police it cannot fail to benefit, is no doubt oppressed by similar application, too numerous for all of them to be attended to. Had I still possessed the means, I should make the road as I made former ones, and the Government would not hear a word of the matter. But in as much as I have no longer the means, I renew my request to have the re-payment of the loan of 5,000 Rupees spread over five years instead of over three. I hope your knowledge of the facts will justify your supporting a request which under the circumstances, I venture to think is not unoccasionable.

Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 15*th December* 1857.

In consideration of a loan of Rupees five thousand, authorized to be made to me by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council of Madras, for the purpose of making a Junction road from Kallye to Kalloor, I hereby undertake (if so required) to re-pay this loan to the Collector of Malabar in three years, in five equal instalments, without interest Rupees 5,000

(Signed) F. C. BROWNE.

Resolved to forward to Government copies of the foregoing letter No. 5033, dated 14th November 1857, from the Acting Collector of Malabar and its enclosure with the Chief Engineer's earnest recommendation that Mr. Brown's request may be complied with, and the loan granted to him for opening a road be made re-payable in five years without interest.

(Signed) C. E. FABER, Colonel,
Chief Engineer.

No. 4. ORDER THEREON, No. 2288 ; dated 9th December 1857.

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council accepts Mr. Brown's proposal to re-pay the loan of Rupees 5,000, granted to him on the 14th May 1857, No. 928, within five years and without interest.

(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

Under date the 26 November 1857.

Read the following letter.—

No 5033.—

From

W. Robinson Esquire

Acting Collector of Malabar

To

Colonel C. E. Faber

Chief Engineer D. P. W.

Fort Saint George

Sir,

In forwarding the accompanying address by the Hon'ble Brown, I beg to inform you that I have examined the carefully prepared trace, and consider that the road will prove a great benefit to the Country.

2 What the Hon'ble Brown states in regard to the perfectly public character of the road is true. It leads to villages beyond to him but it opens up several miles of Country over which he has no right, and renders accessible the water carriage to the Country round.

3 I beg most strongly to support the application for an increased period within which

which to defend the loan.

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11th November
1857

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) W. Robinson
Judge Cochin

Tellicherry 11th November 1857.

William Robinson Esqr
Judge Collector of Malabar

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that the effective work of the Harbor of Tellicherry, of which Government gave authority to me to undertake, the road to Pharpara opening from Mallaya to the Pallore Cantonment, has been so decidedly beneficial as to induce me to extend the work, agreeably to the Terms of my letter to you, dated 22d October. I am now in consideration to begin the work, and, as the first instalment for the loan of 5,000 Rupees which the Government have made for the execution, I beg leave to forward herewith an undertaking to repay the money without interest in three years, if so required.

In making this engagement, I must be permitted to correct a misapprehension of which the language of my application for the advance may possibly be the cause, that I applied through you to the Government for a loan of public money to make a private road. I hope you are satisfied that every foot of the road in question will be made private

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to benefit, is too ignorant and too poor to make it, and because the Government, in case Revenue and Police it cannot fail to benefit, is no doubt, assured by similar applications too numerous for all of them to be attended to. If Cadet Scott's proposals the means, I should make the roads, as I made former ones, and the Government would not bear a penny of the matter. But unless pinched as I have no longer the means. Should my request to have the repayment of the loans of 5,000 Rupees spread over five years instead of over three. Should your knowledge of the facts will justify your supporting a request to that effect the circumstances, I confess to think it not unreasonable.

I have &c.

(Signed) F. C. Brown

Tellicherry 11th November 1857.

In consideration of a loan of Rupees five thousand authorized to be made by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council of Madras, for the purpose of making a Road from Kallyd to Hallon, I hereby undertake (if so required) to repay the loan to the Collector of Malabar in three years, in five equal instalments, without interest.

Rupees 5000

(Signed) F. C. Brown

(True Copy)

(Signed) H. Robinson

Acting Collector

Resolved to forward to Government Copies of the foregoing letter No 5033 dated 14th November 1857, from the Acting Collector of Malabar, and its enclosure with the Chief Engineer's earnest recommendation that 16th 13 crore request may be complied with, and the loan granted to him, for opening a road to be repayable in five years without interest.

(True Extract)

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Fred Foster Colonel

Chief Engineer

To

The Secretary to Government

P.W.D.

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Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer

To The Secretary to Government

P.W.D.-

From the Collr of Malabar 6/10 June 1861 Cert. 136

Dated 21st November 1857

Received 27th November 1857.

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Forwards Copy of a letter from the Collector of Malabar and recommends that the loan granted to Mr. Brown for opening a road may be made repayable in 5 years without interest.-

With an order No. 2288 9th Decr

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No. 2288.

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council accepts Mr. Brown's proposal to repay the loan of Rupees 5,000, granted to him on the 14th May 1857 No. 928 within five years and without interest.

Fort St. George 9th Decr 1857

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