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No. 74. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Acting Superintending Engineer, Northern Circle, in charge of the Centrel office of Public Works, dated 6th February 1857, No. 10101.

Read the following letter from Major E. LAWFORD, Superintending Engineer Southern Circle ; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, D. P. W., dated Cauverypatam, 31st January 1857, No. 9.

SIR,

I have the honor, to report my inspection of the work in progress at the lower Coleroon annicut, which has recommenced for the season.

2. The ruins of the six Southern arches of the North Branch, having been nearly removed the reconstruction of the piers is about to be commenced, and the centerings of the Northern arches, are in progress.

3. There is an ample supply of materials collected, and I see no reason to apprehend, any difficulty, or delay, in the operations, excepting from a temporary deficiency of labour, during the harvest.

4. The annicut has suffered no further injury since the accident of last year, but I find that the apron of the North branch, is not strong enough, to bear the force of the increased fall occasioned by the additional height of the weir, and it seems to me indispensably necessary, that it should be strengthened by a covering 12 feet wide of laterite, an excellent discription of which is abundant near the work, I also deem it advisable to make considerable cuttings in the bed of the river, to improve the discharge.

5. All these works would have been easily executed within the amount of the sanctioned estimate Rupees (1,50,000) but the loss of last year now renders it necessary for me to solicit your sanction to an excess of 5000 Rupees, about 3 per cent above that amount, which however will not be expended till after the close of the Current official year, and with this addition I make no doubt of the sufficiency of the estimate.

Resolved, to sanction the expenditure of Rupees (5,000) five thousand, in addition to the estimate Rupees 1,50,000, for the extension of the Lower Coleroon annicut, in order that the rear apron of the North Branch of the work may be strengthened, by adding an additional layer of Laterite, 12 feet wide, and the bed of the river below, improved, and in communicating the same, to the District Engineer of Tanjore, to forward for his information copy of Major Lawford's letter.

Resolved, also to forward to Government copy of the foregoing letter No. 9, dated 31st January 1857, from the Superintending Engineer, Southern Circle, reporting on the work in progress at the Lower Coleroon annicut, and soliciting sanction to an excess of Rupees 5000, above the original Estimate of Rupees 1,50,000, with the information, that under the cirumstances represented by Major Lawford, the Chief Engineer has authorized the additional expenditure of Rupees 5,000, under Clause 2, of para. 4, Section 1, Extract Minutes Consultation No. 989, of the 17th June 1856, the amount, being within 5 per cent, of the original Estimate.

(Signed) C. C. JOHNSTON, Captain,
Acting Superintending Engineer Northern Circle.

No. 75. ORDER THEREON, No. 361; dated 24th February 1857.

Ordered that the foregoing Extract be recorded.

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

No 10101

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works, Fort St George.

Under date the 6th Feby 1857.

Read the following letter

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Major E. Lawford

Supg Engr 3rd Circle

To

Colonel P. G. Taber

Chief Engr D.P.W.

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Ag Supg Engr N. Circle in charge
of the Central Office

To The Secy: to Govt P.W.D.

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do 28th March/54 — 59 & 60.
do 24th Feby/54 — 20 & 21

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Public Works 1857 Dispatch
Copy 24th February
No. 2596

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer,

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To The Secretary to
Govt. P.W.D.

Dated 6th Feby 1857
Received 7th do

No 10101.

Forwards copy of letter from the Supdg Engr Southern Circle reporting on the work in progress on the Lower Coleroon Anicut in Tanjore, with the information that under the circumstances represented by Major Lawford the Chief Engineer has authorized the additional Expenditure of Rs 5,000 above the Estimate, under Clause 2. of Rule Section 1. G. Mins. Cons. No 903 of the 17th June 1856 the amount being within 5 per cent of the original Estimate Rs 1,50,000 —

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Fort St George 24th Feby/57