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No. 12. Read the following letter from Captain C. C. JOHNSTON, Acting Superintending Engineer, Northern Circle, in charge of the Central Office of Public Works; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, D. P. W., dated 9th February 1857, No. 10122.

SIR,

I have the honor to forward under Clause 2, of Extract from the Minutes of Consultation No. 696, dated 18th October 1855, the accompanying estimate (Rupees 2,100) for the construction of a new Head Sluice to the Vickramanaur in the Tanjore District, together with copy of a letter from the Superintending Engineer Southern Circle on the subject.

No. 5, dated 30th January 1857.

2. The old sluice being situated considerably below the river head, acts injuriously on the portion of the river above it, causing a deposit of sand by obstructing the free flow of water, moreover by the water being thus headed back, the adjacent lands during high freshes, are liable to be flooded.

3. The Superintending Engineer Southern Circle, has had so much experience in the Tanjore District, that I do not hesitate to recommend the construction of the new sluice, as the only means of preventing the injury already mentioned, and of ensuring a regular and sufficient supply of water in the Vickramanaur.

4. The estimate amounts to Rupees (2,100) two thousand and one hundred, and the rates allowed being moderate, and sufficient, I beg to recommend the work for immediate execution.

No. 13. ORDER THEREON, No. 372; dated 26th February 1857.

With this letter the officer in charge of the Central office of Public Works submits one from Major Lawford, Superintending Engineer of the Southern Circle on tour of inspection, together with an emergent estimate for the construction of a new Head Sluice to the Vickramanaur, in the Tanjore District.

2. Major Lawford is of opinion, that the position of the present Sluice will bring about an obstruction in the Vickramanaur Channel by causing an accumulation of deposit. To remedy this evil, a new Sluice is proposed to be built near the river head, and it appears from the Memo. furnished by Major Lawford, that the irrigation of land yielding an annual revenue to Government of Rupees 44,000 is dependent on this work.

3. Under these circumstances, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council sanctions the estimate now submitted, amounting to Rupees (2,100) two thousand and one hundred, and grants authority for the immediate execution of the work.

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

No 5.

From

Major E. Sandford

Supg Engr. 1st Circle

To

Colonel G. T. Baker

Chief Engr. & P.W.D.

Sir,

With reference to Gt. Pn. of the Gt Dec/56 No 8718 I have the honor to re-transmit the plan and estimate for reconstructing the Head Sluice of the Veeranamaur, with a Statement shewing the Revenue derived from that River during the Fasly. Pn 44,664 and the Cost of clearing out the present head in the past year Rs 1137.—

I beg also to report, that I have again inspected the River and am fully impressed with the great importance of removing the present ancient and dilapidated Sluice and Constructing a new one near the River head. The present Sluice, with some alteration serves as a bridge on the road between Mayaveram and the Town Anicut, as it has three good arches of modern Construction in rear of the old ones and Cross Lines forming the original work

work.—

Sam decided[illegible] of opinion,
that the Construction of their work should
not be delayed beyond the present
working Season, as the Channel is
rapidly becoming filled up with Sand.

Surveyor's
Office
30th Jan.y 1857

Shaw Esqr.
Sub Surveyor
Inspecting Officer

Jno. Cosby Esqr
Master Attendant

Engineers Office Port Phillip
Mr Ch.s der Combe Resident Engineer

Referred to a letter from Lt. Col. Kingsbury, Chf. Engr. to the Secretary of War, dated Dec. 9, 1857.

Letter of Lt. Col. Kingsbury, Dec. 9, 1857. } Recd. Dec. 12, 1857.

Submitting a Plan and Estimate for removing a shoal in the Ohio River at the Cincinnati Wharf, $20,000.

P.W. No. 280 of 1857.

For orders. Is referred to the Engineer in charge with authority to proceed with the work. Respecting the account of Rh Allen for $40.00 dated [illegible] on the head of the Channel reclaiming [illegible] free from obstruction, and it is the opinion of the Engineers that the protection

Public Works Dept.

No. 372

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Under date the 26th February 1857.

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from the Chief Engineer

(Hereenter 9th February 1857 No. 1012)

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J. Copies to the Chief Engr.
with 3 Chief Engrs
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Accountant G.

Public Works 1857 Dept.
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No. 372.

Extract Mins of Cons.
Dy 26 February 57.

Sanctioning the Estimate amounting to Rupees 2,100 for the immediate construction of a new Sluice to the Vekramanan in the Tanjore District.

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