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No. 28. 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, dated 24th February 1857, No. 10458.

SIR,

With reference to Extract from the Minutes of Consultation No. 244, dated 2nd Instant, I have the honor to state, that the distance from Trivellore to the Railway station at Periacoopum, called the Trivellore station, is about 1½ mile.

2. The road from Trivellore, a portion of the Madras and Cuddapah line viâ Naggery, crosses the Railway about 120 yards to the East of the station, the Railway authorities not wishing it to be brought nearer, and is continued on to Coratoor new Choultry a further distance of some 8 miles.

3. An original letter* and Extract† from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer (to be obligingly returned) respecting the partial destruction of a bridge near Trivellore on this road are herewith forwarded but the further report called for, with the required estimate for rebuilding the bridge not having yet been received, the accident, in the absence of the complete information, desired on all occasions, has not hitherto been reported to Government.

* Letter No. 37, dated 24th December 1856.

† Extract from the Proceedings No. 9309, dated 6th January 1857.

4. Further particulars of the road in question are given in the accompanying copy of letter No. 193, dated 20th Instant, from the District Engineer of Chingleput.

No. 29. ORDER THEREON, No. 468; dated 13th March 1857.

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council observes that the estimate under which the road from Trivellore to the Railway station is being formed was sanctioned on the 14th December 1854. The sanction was accorded more than two years ago and yet the road, only 1½ mile in length, remains unfinished notwithstanding its importance as a Railway feeder, owing apparently to the failure of a Contractor. This is most unsatisfactory, but the Government trust that all further delay will be avoided, and the Chief Engineer will report the date on which the road may be completed.

2. Lieutenant Moberly should lose no time in forwarding the estimate for re-building the bridge near Trivellore reported to have been destroyed by recent floods and full provision should be made for sufficient water-way to secure the bridge from a similar accident in future.

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

Public Works 1857 Department.

Dy Genl 17th No 380 3B

From The Asst Supt Engr Nellore Circle.

In Ch. of the Central Office &c.

To, The Secretary to Government &c.

Dated 24th } February 1857.
Received 26th }

No 10458

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Forwards the further information called for in Extract from the Revd Cond: No 244 dated 2d February 1857, respecting the road from Gudlore to the Railway station at Periacorpum in the Chingleput District.

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No. 193

From,
Lieutenant A. T. Moberly.
District Engineer of Chingleput.

To,
Colonel C. E. Faber,
Chief Engineer D. P. W.
Fort Saint George.

Sir,

With reference to Extract from the Minutes of Consultation No. 244 under date the 2nd. Instant and only just received, I have the honor to inform you that I cannot understand how it came to be mentioned in the Budget of 1854/55 that the road from Coraltoor to Tiruvoor would cross the Railway at Taproor - the line as at present laid out is the one Chosen by Captain Collyer and crosses the Railway near Perumbaukum or Dacombode about 120 Yards East of the Railway Station of Tirvellore - this line was I believe Chosen by Captain Collyer, in order that this Road and the Road from Streepermatoor to Tirvellore, an Estimate for which was sent up in the year 1855, might meet near on the South bank of the Cooum River opposite the Tirvellore Station, and thus one Bridge across the River would suffice. It is true that the Road passed through the Teravoor or Tooroor limits, and thus the mistake may have arisen - besides this there is no Railway station at Tooroor.

2nd. As regards the progress I have the honor

to

to inform you, that the work was given out on Contract, the Contractor agreeing to have all the earthwork and Masonry completed by the 20th November 1855, but having failed in his Agreement, he having hardly done any thing at all, I on the 1st December 1855 took away the Contract from him, and gave it to another man, who has performed the work and the earthwork having settled since the last monsoon, the gravel is being spread, and the portion between the Railway and Trivellore is nearly completed - the only interruption to the Traffic now on this piece of Road, is caused by the State of the Bridge near Trivellore - this was completed according to the Plan and Estimate, but in consequence of the great quantity of water that came down during the Storm in November last. some tanks having breached, the waterway was found to be insufficient, and the Pier was carried away as reported by me on the 24th December last. the Arches are standing and the workmanship is very good as you may suppose, when I inform you, that the two Arches are holding together by adhesion, there being no pier to support them, but I consider it would not be safe to allow the Traffic to pass over it - an Estimate is being prepared, and will be shortly submitted - I am only waiting for further information, Regarding the want of drainage &c.

I have &c.

Sd/ A. D. Moberly, Lieut
District Engr of Chingleput.

Dist. Engr. Office.
Camp at Guindy
20th February 1857.

True Copy

Captain.
Asst Supt Engr. N. Circle.
In ch. of the Central Office P.W.

Sd/

Public Works Dept.

No. 468

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Under date the 13th March 1857.

Read the following

letter from the Acting Superintending Engineer Northern

Circle in charge of the Contract

Office -

Here enter 24th February 1857 No 1065

The Right Honble

the Governor in Council ob-

serves that the Estimates

under which the Road

from Trincomalee to the

Railway Station is being

formed was sanctioned

on the 14th December 1854.

The

Enclosure in Mr. Asst. Govt. Agt. Nr. Circle's
Letter of the Central Division
to
The Secretary to Government
Dated 23rd February 1857
Received 25th February 1857
No. 1055

Copy of a letter from the Dist. Engineer of Chingleput relative to the Road from Coromandel to Trincomalee.

The sanction was accorded ~~both~~ more than two years ago and yet the road, only 1½ miles in length, remains unfinished notwithstanding its importance as a Railway feeder, owing apparently to the failure of a Contractor. This is ~~most~~ unsatisfactory, but the Government must ~~that~~ all further delay will be avoided, and the Chief Engineer will report the state on which the road may be completed.

2- Lieutenant Moberly should lose no time in forwarding the Estimate for rebuilding the Bridge near Trichinopoly reported to have been destroyed by the late flood. ~~The~~ Estimate should be made provision for sufficient waterway to secure the bridge ~~thereby~~ from a similar ~~future~~ accident.

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Extract Minute of Cons.

Dd 13th March/57.

From the Chief Engr Dd 5th Inst. No 1138 in Cons 25.

Trusting that further delay will be avoided in the completion of the Road from Trivellore to the Railway Station at Perambore in the Chingleput District & directing Lt Moberly to forward an Estimate for re-building the bridge near Trivellore reported to have been destroyed by recent floods.

No 28 & 29.

05th March 57