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No. 84. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Acting Superintending Engineer, Northern Circle, in charge of the Central office of Public Works, dated 27th February 1857, No. 10504.

Read the following letter from Lieutenant E. HEMERY, District Engineer of Cuddapah; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated Camp at Bhoputtypully, 11th February 1857, No. 955.

SIR,

I have the honor to bring to your notice the result of an application I made some time ago to the Collector, regarding the destruction of several mud walls, built to protect avenue trees on the road from Cuddapah to Nellore.

2. In September last, Assistant Overseer Thorpe reported to the Dhoor Tahsildar, that several of the mud walls built round young trees along the Cuddapah and Nellore road, had been destroyed by buffaloes belonging to certain Wudders living at a village called Nagausaupully, but as the Tahsildar did not take the slightest notice of his letter, and as the owners of the buffaloes refused to re-construct the walls, Mr. Thorpe was obliged to do so out of the road funds at a cost of Rupees 5-10.

3. I accordingly brought the circumstance to the Collector's notice in November, requesting him to direct the Tahsildar to recover that amount from the owners of the buffaloes, but I was obliged to write three times to Mr. Murray, before he would reply to my letter on the subject.

4. In a letter received this morning Mr. Murray writes as follows :

"I have the honor to refer you to para. 6 of the Extract from the Minutes of Consultation "under date the 12th January 1857, No. 70, from which it appears, there was no malice, and "the magistrate has no power to interfere," but I am of opinion, that, this was a case calling for inquiry on the part of the Magistrate, Government having been put to the expense of Rupees 5-10 through the depredation of these buffaloes.

5. The expense of rearing and protecting avenue trees is so great, that the Tahsildars should be directed to inquire into any complaint made to them by the Overseers, of damage done either by individuals or by cattle.

6. I am not much in favor of mud walls, but the Overseers assure me it is impossible to protect young trees in any other way. I have often tried a thick hedge of thorns fixed like an abatties round each tree, but in a very short time the thorns disappear altogether, either taken by travellers for firewood, or by the ryots to fence in their crops, the village cattle then step in, and eat up the young trees, which have cost so much trouble and expence in rearing.

7. The trees planted along the Oodatoor road in the same Talook, have all disappeared, and I think the Collector who is now on Jummabundy in the Dhoor Talook, might have taken the opportunity by inquiring into this case, of proving to the ryots, that their cattle are not to be allowed to destroy Government property with impunity.

Resolved that a copy of the foregoing letter be submitted for the information, and orders of Government, with reference to para. 6, Extract Minutes Consultation 12th January 1857, No. 70.

2. The Superintending Engineer, Northern Circle in charge of the Central office, would observe, that although as Mr. Murray states, there were no ground for Magisteral interference for the purposes of punishment, yet, that in his capacity as the head of the District, he might have warned the Inhabitants of Nagusaupully against the commission of damage to Government property, and thus have indirectly afforded the protection sought from him.

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

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no negroes to the avenue

Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 24th March 1857.

No. 85. ORDER THEREON, No. 536; dated 24th March 1857.

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council trusts that future cases of cattle trespass will be adequately dealt with under Section XV. of Act III. of 1857. He must however call upon the Collector of Cuddapah to explain why he did not answer Lieutenant Hemery's letter dated in November, regarding the destruction of the defences to the Avenue trees on the road from Cuddapah to Nellore before he had been addressed three times on the subject.

2. Instructions will be issued from the Judicial Department for bringing the provisions of Act III. of 1857, into practical operation.

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

For Orders

Public Works Department No 1400.

Extract from the Proc: of the Chief Engineer 27th July: 1857.

The Superintendent Cuddapah
asked if Mr Hemery was
obliged to address three times
before issuing any instruction
&c &c &c - Why
the Collector should give General
instructions respecting the
duties of the defenders to observe
this - H. G. Reynolds

Pub Works Department
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Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Under date the 24th March 1857.
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Calling upon the Col^l of Ordd^ce to explain why he did not announce Sir Al^x Tilloch's Letter dated in Nov^r regarding the destruction of the defences to the avenue Trees on the Road from Cod^a Point to Sillery before he had been addressed three times on the Subject: and insisting that if those Trees & Cattle Trespasses will be adequately dealt with under Section XX^I of Act III of 57.

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