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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 28th April 1857.

No. 62. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer, dated 31st March 1857, No. 11419.

Read the following letter from Captain C. C. JOHNSTON, Acting Superintending Engineer, Northern Circle, in charge of the Central office of P. W., ; to Lieutenant Colonel W. H. ATKINSON, Civil Architect at the Presidency, dated 28th February 1857, No. 10547.

SIR,

With reference to Extract Minutes Consultation 23rd Ultimo, No. 173, relative to the manner in which the expenditure on account of Municipal and other improvements should appear in the Books of the Chief Engineer, and how it should appear in your Account Current with the Central office, I have the honor to request you will be good enough in communication with the Municipal authorities to obtain an Accounts Current of the expenditure on Public Works performed out of Government funds from May 1856 to the 31st January 1857, and submit the same to the Central office. Future Account Current will have to be incorporated in your monthly Account Current with the Central office, the balance which may be shewn in the Account Current ending 31st January 1857, forwarded by the Municipal authorities being brought forward in your Account Current for February incorporated in one sum with your own cash balance.

2. It is also necessary that the Municipal authorities should be called upon by you to furnish in duplicate an account of the expenditure up to 30th April 1856, out of advances received to that date from the General Treasury on all Public Works performed by the Engineer of the Municipality, shewing the amount of advances taken up for each particular work, the expenditure thereon, and the cash balance which may have remained on hand on the 30th April 1856. This Statement should explain in the column of remarks as to whether bills have been submitted for any Items of the expenditure up to the 30th April which may appear therein, and to and through whom such bills have been submitted, or if the works are still in progress. The cash balance which may appear in the statement in question will have to be accounted for by you to the Sub Treasurer in the same manner as your own cash balance was accounted for, and the Accountant General will be requested to issue the necessary instructions for this being done in view to carrying out the orders of Government for bringing the transactions of the Current year into the Books of the D. P. W., I request you will be good enough to furnish the Accountant General with copy of the Statement of unpassed expenditure to the 30th April 1856, which the Municipal authorities may forward to you, and transmit the Original to the Central office.

3. You will of course be careful to call for bills of expenditure for all Items in such statement for which bills have not been submitted in accordance with the rules in the manual. And also be good enough to include in your future monthly estimates of funds required from the General Treasury, provision for funds for Municipal works to be performed from Government funds.

4. The accompanying bills for expenditure on the improvements made between the Gun Carriage Depot and Eye Infirmary, not shewing clearly the exenditure up to 30th April 1856 on this work, as distinguished from expenditure subsequently, I request you will be pleased to communicate with the Municipal authorities, and obtain revised bills. The bill for expenditure on the above improvements up to 30th April 1856 should of course correspond with the Item of expenditure on this account, which will appear in the Statement of unpassed expenditure called for from that body. A copy of the orders of Government sanctioning the estimates for the above improvements with the original estimates themselves are herewith forwarded for your information, and you will be good enough to return them when submitting bills for the expenditure on the works.

5. The expenditure from Grass Rents, Cowdung Collections &c. referred to in the 4th para. of the Extract Minutes Consultation under acknowledgement need not enter in your monthly accounts as an Annual Account Current of the receipts and expenditure on this account, will have to be rendered in conformity with the directions in the rules for local funds, a copy of which has been furnished to you by the Government.

Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 28th April 1857.

From Lieutenant Colonel W. H. ATKINSON, Civil Architect P. D.; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated 24th March 1857, No. 189.

SIR,

I have the honor to forward for your consideration the accompanying copy of an Extract from the Proceedings of a meeting of the Municipal Commissioners for the Town of Madras together with its enclosure copy of a letter from the Civil Engineer, Major Silver.

Resolved to forward for the information of Government copies of foregoing letters No. 189, of the 24th Instant, from the Civil Architect, and of the Chief Engineer's letter of Instructions No. 10547, dated 28th Ultimo, together with the original Extract* from the Proceedings of the Municipal Commissioners (to be obligingly returned) and to observe that the sum of Rupees (50) fifty applied for by the Civil Engineer for the salaries of an additional Accountant and Writer, whose services appear to be indispensable might in the Chief Engineer's opinion properly form a Municipal charge, and not be debited to Government, but early instructions are very necessary and solicited accordingly.

*19th Instant.

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

No. 63. ORDER THEREON, No. 776; dated 24th April 1857.

The Chief Engineer submits certain correspondence with the Municipal Commissioners on the subject of certain returns and Statements called for by the Civil Architect from the Municipal Civil Engineer, and expresses his opinion that the sum of Rupees 50 applied for by the Civil Engineer for the salaries of an additional Accountant and Writer to prepare the accounts of Public Works expenditure in the form required by the Civil Architect should properly form a Municipal charge. The Government do not concur in this opinion, and are of opinion that the extra establishment required should form a public charge, because the accounts called for are for the works executed out of the Government funds. The Right Honorable the Governor in Council accordingly authorizes the entertainment by the Municipal Engineer of a temporary establishment at an expense not exceeding (50) fifty Rupees for the preparation of the Statements required by the Civil Architect. It is hoped that the accounts will be rendered within a month with the extra aid now granted.

Signed) H. FORBES,
Acting Secretary to Government.

For Orders 3

Public Works Department No 658-

Extract from the Pro: of the Chief Engineer 31st March/57-

the Engr of the Municipality should be requested to make Dept P.W. in the case of Purchase & Issue of Stores and Temporary Establishment for the purpose specified

Establishment required by the Municipal Engrs

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No 776

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Under date the 24th April 1857.

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1 Copy to the Chief Engr
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1 — Civil Auditor

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