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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 11th August 1857.

No. 11. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer, dated 22nd July 1857, No. 2274.

Read the following letter from Lieutenant E. H. HARINGTON, Acting District Engineer Ganjam; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated Camp at Aska, 3rd July 1857, No. 672.

SIR,

I have the honor to inform you, that I yesterday evening received a letter, No. 3076, 25th June 1857, a copy of which is enclosed. Two Memoranda, stating at length the method of putting in the posts, accompanied Colonel Baker's letter. I have replied to him this day, stating, that every exertion shall be made to complete the work in this District. I have issued the necessary instructions to the Executive Officers within whose range the Northern Trunk road lies, requesting them to consider this a work of *special* importance, and to defray the expenditure from the funds at our disposal, showing it in the monthly accounts Current under head "communications" Item, "Electric Telegraph."

2. I have requested Colonel Baker to supply instructions for the best method of crossing the wide unbridged rivers, as his Memoranda did not give that information, and there is a necessity for doing the work as quickly as possible.

Letter from Colonel W. E. BAKER, Secretary to the Government of India; to the District Engineer of Ganjam, dated Fort William, the 25th June 1857, No. 3076.

SIR,

Under instructions from the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council, I am directed to forward for your information and guidance, the enclosed Memoranda, relative to the erection of Telegraph Posts for the new line of Telegraph to be constructed between Calcutta and Madras, and to request that you will immediately take steps for setting up posts on that part of the line indicated, which passes through your District.

2. The Right Honorable the Governor General in Council looks upon the rapid completion of this line of Telegraph, as of very great importance, and trusts that you will use every exertion to carry out these orders with expedition.

3. You will be good enough to acknowledge the receipt of this despatch.

Resolved, to forward to Government a copy of the foregoing letter, No. 672, of the 3rd Instant from the Executive Engineer in charge of Ganjam, and of its enclosure, No. 3076 of the 25th Ultimo, from Colonel Baker, Secretary to the Government of India, with the Chief Engineer's request, that the Accountant General may be authorized to replace the funds expended in the limits of this Presidency, on the line of Electric Telegraph ordered to be erected, between Calcutta and Madras.

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

No. 12. ORDER THEREON, No. 1520; dated 5th August 1857.

Agreeably to the request of the Chief Engineer, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council authorizes the Accountant General to replace the funds that may be expended within the limits of this Presidency on the line of Electric Telegraph ordered between Calcutta and Madras.

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

No 2274

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer
in the Department of Public Works,
Under date the 22nd July 185[illegible]
Read the following -

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Actg Asstt Engr Langam -

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Shaw Wm.
(Signd) E. H. Harington Lieut.
Act. Distt. Engr. Ganjam.

Distt. Engr. Office
Ganjam District
Chumpee at Aska
3d. July 1857.

No. 30/76.

From Colonel W. E. Baker
Secretary to the Govt. of India

To The District Engineer of Ganjam

Dated the 25th June 1857.

P. W. Depth.
Elg. Telegraphs

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Secy. to the Govt. of India

[True Copy]
(Signd) E. H. Harington Lieut.
Act. Distt. Engr. Ganjam

Fort William —
The 25th June 1857.

Distt. Engrs. Office
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Alfd Fabert Colonel
Chief Engineer

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A. Insp. Genl. H. C.

To The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department.

Public Works 185[illegible] Department
Rec'd Cons. 18th Augt.
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Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer P.W.D.
To the Secretary to Govern[illegible] P.W.D.

Dated 22nd July 185[illegible]
Rec'd 28th

No 22[illegible]

Forwards Copies of Correspondence from the Ex. Engr Carnam & Secretary that the Accountant General may be authorized to replace the funds expended in the limits of this Presidency on the line of Electric Telegraphs ordered to be erected between Calcutta and Madras.

William order
No. 1520. 5th Augt

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Fort St. George
5th Augt 57

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