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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 19th May 1857.

No. 83. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer, dated 13th May 1857, No. 257.

Read the following letter from Captain J. CAMPBELL, Executive Engineer; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated Jackatallah, 27th April 1857, No. 456.

SIR,

A violent thunder storm having burst over the station last night between the hours of 9½, and 11 o'clock.

I have to report to you the destruction by fire, caused by the Electric fluid, of a house in the Sappers Lines and two bullocks belonging to one of my Contractors.

2. I regret also to report the loss of about Rupees 700 worth of raw bricks on the Hacks ready for the kilne by the heavy fall of rain last night and.

5¼ Inches.

3. That, one of the public bandy drivers, while in the act of lading timber at the foot of the Coonoor pass, had the right forearm broken by one of the beams having slipped.

From Captain P. M. FRANCIS, District Engineer Coimbatore; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated Ootacamund 1st May 1857, No. 59.

SIR,

I have the honor to report for your information the following accidents to the Public Works in this District occasioned by the late heavy rains.

1. Mr. Wright Acting Executive Officer at Seroomoogay reports that on the night of the 25th Ultimo the heavy flood caused one of the abutments of the bridge lately built out of local funds near the Cotwal's Choultry to sink so much that half the arch settled bodily about 3 inches and rent from abutment to abutment. It is in a very unsafe state. He attributes the accident to the foundations not being deep enough and badly built.

2. The Tahsildar of Neilgherries reports that the wooden bridge on the road between Ootacamund and Kotagherry (near the bazaar) was carried away on the night of the 26th Ultimo, by the heavy rains.

Resolved to forward to Government copies of the foregoing letters from the District Engineer of Coimbatore, and the Executive Engineer at Jackatalla, reporting the damages caused by recent rains to several Public Works in the District, and the effects of a thunder storm which occurred at Jackatallah on the night of the 26th Idem.

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

No. 84. ORDER THEREON, No. 962; dated 19th May 1857.

Ordered that the foregoing Extract be recorded.

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

No 257.

Read and filed the following

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works Fort St George

Under date the 13th May 1857

Read the following letter

No 456

From Captain J. Campbell
Exr
To The Chief Engineer
Fort St George

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Sackatalla
27th Apl 87

Memd pr
Sd/ L. Campbell Capt.
Ex. Engr.
Nilgherry Barracks

S.G.

From
Captain P. M. Francis
Dy Engr. Combatore

To
Colonel C. S. Fabb
Chief Engr. & P.W.D.
Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to report for your information the following accidents to the Public Works in this District occasioned by the late heavy rains.-

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the accident to the foundations not being deep enough and badly built.-

2 The Sub-Collector of Nilgherris reports that the wooden bridge on the road between Ootacamund and Kotagherry near the bazaar was carried away on the night of the 25th Ultimo by the heavy rains.-

Dy Engr Coffin
Ootacamund
1st May 1887

Memd pr
Sd/ W. Chrystie Capt.
Capt. P. M. Francis
Dy Engr of Combatore

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By Order of the Committee

Secy to Govt

Actg Chief Engr

Chief Engr

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the Chief Supt. Engr.
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Forwards letters
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at Jaskatalla respecting
the damages sustained by
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Pub. Works in the District
and the occurrence of a
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Falls Station. No. 962
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