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Ootacamund June 26th

To

The Collector of Coimbatore

Sir

With reference to the accompanying agreements and your Official Memo of the 20th Instant, I have the honor to inform you that having executed a conditional transfer of the property alluded to, in favor to the Revd. E. Lusseau, I am unable now to guarrantee his compliance with the arrangement formerly entered into with the District Engineer. If however the Reverend Gentleman agrees to the proposed Arrangement I shall not as Mortgagee object to such encroachment on the property. It must rest however with him now to sign the agreements now returned.

The three documents forwarded with your Official Memo, are herewith returned.

26th June 1857. I have &c

(Signed) A. B. M. Lascelles

True Copy.

(Signed) E. B. [illegible]

Collector

To

[illegible] accompanying Copy of his letter dated 26th

I agree to abide by the District Engineer's arbitration, as proposed in Para 2. Extract Minutes of Consultation 25th May 1857. No. 990.

21st August 1857 / Signed / Edward Laseron

D. W. Cleveland, Lt. J.
Madras Army.

We the undersigned, agree to the levy of a water rate by Government, on repayment of the cost to be incurred in the improvement of the water course to our Houses at Coonoor.

21st August 1857.

D. W. Cleveland, M.J.
Madras Army.
Edward Laseron.

Lt
Leonard Smith
Lt

No 3479.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer
in the Department of Public Works
Under date the 4th September 1857.

Read the following Letter
from the Collector of
Customs, dated
27th August 1857.

No 433.

To Colonel C. E. Fabre
Chief Engineer D. P. W.
Fort St George.

Sir, With reference to the Extract from the
Minutes of Consultation of the 23d May last No.
999, and to your order thereon dated 29th ultimo
No 741, I beg to forward, as directed by Govern-
ment in para 4 of their Minute, two agreements exe-
cuted by General Cleveland, and Revd. Mr.
Lacroix*, one purporting that they agree to the levy
of a water rate by Government on repayment of
the cost to be incurred in the improvement of the
water course alluded to; and the other that they
abide by the District Engineers arbitration.

2. I communicated the order of Govern-
ment to Mr. Lacrelle, the owner of the House,
through which the channel runs, but he referred
me to Revd Mr Lacroix, for reasons shown
in the accompanying Copy of his letter dated
26th

* Who has bought Mr Lacrelle's House.

26th June 1857. Revd Mr Laseron was accordingly written to, and has signed the agreements.

3 The delay in submitting the above agreements, has been in consequence of Revd Mr Laseron not having answered my letter to him of the 6th July last until the 21st of this month.

Coimbatore — 2
27th August 1857 3

I have &c.
(Signed) E. B. Thomas
Collector

Recolved to forward to Government Enclosures 3
copy of the foregoing letter No 433, dated 27th August 1857 from the Collector of Coimbatore, forwarding the agreements called for in Extract Minutes, Consultations No 990, dated 23d May 1857.

2 Resolved, also to state that Major Cadogan will shortly be prepared to offer some suggestions for a general system of public water supply on the Neilgherries.

(A true Extract)
(Signed) Colonel
Chief Engineer

To
The Secretary to Government
F. W. D.

S. E. S. C.

Pub: Works Dept.

No. 2071

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Under date the 6th ~~October~~ Nov.r 1857.

Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer

(Here Enter 4th September 1857 No. 3479.)

P.I. In Explanation: Govt: 23rd May 1857 No. 990, the Government had under their consideration a proposal made by the Superintending Engineer of the Southern Circle, for the extension and improvement of the Channel running through Mr. Lascelles property at Coonoor.

2. This proposal involved the following considerations:

First. That Mr. Lascelles claimed compensation for the advantage

Public Works Department
Bombay Castle 15th October 1857
No. 1172

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer Southern Division dated the 23rd September 1857

Received 28th October 1857

Entered in Register of Letters Received
No. 3479 of 1857

From the 20th Superintending Engineer Southern Division
To the Chief Engineer

No. 28.

Dated Ootacamund 3rd Nov.r 1857

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith a Petition addressed to Government by Messrs. Ellis & Co. praying for the grant of a piece of ground in front of their premises at Coonoor, and to request that you will be pleased to submit the same for the consideration of Government.

2. The ground in question is required by Messrs. Ellis & Co. for the purpose of erecting a godown, and I am of opinion that the grant of it would be beneficial to the public as well as to the petitioners.

I have &c.

(Signed) W. Morris

Capt. R.E.

advantage to be taken of his outlay, and having agreed to abide by the decision of the District Engineer in the matter, that officer proposed to allow him a definite supply of water from the improved channel for his present house and for two others about to be built.

Second, That the cost of the improvement, estimated at 500 Rs, was to be borne by the proprietors of houses that the work were to be executed by public officers.

Thirdly. That the repayment of the above amount by Government was to empower them to levy a water rate on the properties concerned.

3. The Government expressed their approval of these proposals; and stated that they would be prepared to authorize the execution of the work

work provided that the agreement and the award implied in the above arrangements were duly obtained — drawn up in legal form. They further required that a document should be obtained from the Proprietors interested in the channel, agreeing to the stipulation of the levy by Government of a water rate on repayment of the cost incurred in bringing water to their properties.

4. The Chief Engineer now submits two papers purporting to be agreements executed by General Cleveland and the Reverend Mr. Laseron who have, on some conditions not stated, become the proprietors of Mr. Lascelles' property, the one agreeing to the levy of a water rate by Government on repayment of the cost of improving the channel, and the other agreeing to abide

abide by the District Engineer's arbitration.

5 ..... These papers do not include the Award, referred to in the Order of 23rd May, and in their general tenor are far from meeting the requirements of Government; they are altogether wanting in legal form, and in their present shape ~~~~ are valueless as documents binding the parties to their engagement. The Govern:- :ment resolve therefore to return the papers to the Chief Engineer with a request that he will place himself in communication with Mr. Doyle the Company's ~~ Solicitor in view to the proper documents being drawn up and executed by the parties, when the Government will be prepared to give effect to their previous resolutions.

6 The Government ~~ desire to remind the Chief Eng:- :neer that they have not as yet received Major Lawford's suggestions for a general system of public water supply on the Neilgherries.

Jdr

9 Copies to the Chief Engr. Dist. 7 with 3 Encls.
1 " Hon. Col. Solicitor "

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Dr. to Cons.s 10th Nov.r

No 2071.

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Dated 6th Nov.r 57.

From the Chief Engr. Dated 1st July/57
No 1728 in Cons 22nd
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Directing the Chief Engr.
to place himself in communi-
cation with Mr. Boyson, in view
to the proper documents being
drawn up, and executed for the
extension of the Channel pass-
ing through Mr. Lascelles
property at Coonoor.

No 28 & 29.