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No. 138. Read the following letter from Major E. LAWFORD, Officiating Chief Engineer; to the Secretary to Government, dated 21st September 1858, No. 3861.

Sir,

1. Copy of letter from District Engineer Nellore, No. 2004, dated 15th September 1858. In reporting for the information of Government the occurrence on the 15th September 1858 of a fresh in the Pennair River which rose 5 feet over the Nellore Annicut, I am happy to add that so far as can yet be discovered with the water one foot above the work no serious damage has been sustained and that the completed parts appear to be quite uninjured.

2. Copy of Lieutenant Mullins last report dated 15th September 1858, No. 2004, is herewith submitted for information, and I shall submit such further accounts as may be received when the water subsides.

Letter from Lieutenant JOHN MULLINS, District Engineer Nellore; to Major E. LAWFORD, Officiating Chief Engineer, dated Nellore 15th September 1858, No. 2004.

Sir,

In continuation of my former reports I have the honor to inform you, that the water going over the crown of the Annicut had fallen, when I was at the work this morning to 1 foot in depth, and I was able therefore to see pretty clearly the form of every part of the work above the lowest cut stone Apron, though I of course cannot form an accurate estimate of the extent of damage done.

2. On the whole, the damage is very much less, both in extent and degree than I could possibly have expected, considering the suddenness of the freshes and their extent and duration except at the one spot, just south of the centre under-slucices, the upper part of the work has I believe suffered no damage whatever, and even the loose stones that were lying about are most of them just as they were left. The second retaining wall appears at first sight to be much damaged, but as I crossed the river in the Annicut boat this morning, I was able to approach within a few yards of the rough stone Apron, and I then found that a considerable portion of this wall is uninjured, and that in few places is more than the upper half yard or 2 feet of the wall destroyed, and it was then evident that much of the disturbance of the water, which led to the belief that this part of the work was swept away was due to the large quantities of materials lying in heaps on the completed and incomplete portions of the 2nd Apron. The state of the 3rd retaining wall cannot at present be ascertained, but the disturbance of the rough stone Apron has been in general so slight, that I should say the 3rd retaining wall is probably uninjured, and that not much damage can have resulted to the part of the 3rd Apron in progress at the time the river rose.

3. Judging from the appearance of the over fall, the completed portions of the Annicut section are quite uninjured.

4. A report confirming or modifying the conclusions above drawn will be sent in as soon as an examination in detail can be made, work has already been commenced on the rough Apron at the north end, but very little can be done, as not much of the work is at present above water. It is not expected that there will be any difficulty in supplying materials without delay for the repair of the damaged parts.

No. 139. ORDER THEREON, No. 2014; dated 28th September 1858.

Ordered that the foregoing letter be recorded.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,

Chief Secretary.

Central Office of the
Port of George
21 September 1858

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From,
The Officiating Chief Engineer

To,
The Secretary to Government
P. W. D.

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Central Office of M.
Fort St. George.
24 September 1858.

Bob

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Yours most obedient servant

Levee M. Major
Off. Chief Engineer.

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that the completed facts appear to be
quite unimpaired, such facts as would
in any way be necessary when the next
subject will be submitted to you
in 1888.

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