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*Public Works* **DEPARTMENT.**  
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# PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PUBLIC.

No. 16 of 1859.

TO

THE RIGHT HONORABLE LORD STANLEY,  
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA.

MY LORD,

Para. 1. The letters noted in the margin and the correspondence transmitted with them have informed your Lordship of the Proceedings of this Government in respect of Mr. George Taylor, one of the Civil Engineers engaged under Covenant by the late Court of Directors for service in the Madras Presidency.

Revenue letter to Court of Directors 27th April 1855, No. 19.  
Revenue do to do 23rd July 1855, No. 35 paras. 6 @ 8.  
P. W. do to do 21st October 1856, No. 17.  
P. W. do to do 21st December 1857, No. 24 para. 7.  
P. W. do to the Secretary of State 3rd February 1859, No. 1 para. 19.

2. Mr. Taylor arrived in India in March 1855 and was soon after detached to the Godavery Division for the purpose of being employed under the orders of the District Engineer in the Survey of the Coringa Harbour. In October 1856 Mr. Taylor tendered the resignation of his place in the service of this Government under circumstances which will be found stated in our letter to the Court of Directors dated 21st October 1856,

\* Consultation 8th September 1857, Nos. 70-71 in correspondence forwarded with letter 21st December 1857 No. 24 para. 7.

No. 17. This resignation was to have effect from the 1st September 1857; but shortly\* before that time Mr. Taylor preferred an appeal to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council,

wherein, after referring to various circumstances connected with his position in the Public Works Department, and to the little prospect of his services being continued in it with advantage to himself and to his employers he tendered his services for the Revenue Survey. The Government in their Resolution of the 8th September 1857 declined to recall the acceptance of Mr. Taylor's resignation, but in consideration of what he had set forth regarding his expenses, they expressed their willingness to grant him 1,500 Rupees as passage money on his making a complete record of the Survey on which he had been engaged, (then still unfinished,) and on his delivering to the District Engineer all the original papers connected with that work.

3. On the 27th November 1858 Mr. Taylor reported that he had delivered his Survey of the Coringa Harbour at the Chief Engineer's Office, and after expressing contrition for his past conduct, begged that he might be permitted to withdraw his resignation of the service of Government. The Officiating Chief Engineer on his part reported that the Survey so delivered was incomplete, as it did not include the Bay, and had neither names nor references entered in it, but that Mr. Taylor had offered to complete it if required.

4. Colonel Faber, the Chief Engineer, was requested to report on Mr. Taylor's letter, and to state the time the Survey had occupied, its cost as calculated at Mr. Taylor's salary during the period he was engaged upon it, and whether the result was at all commensurate with that cost. These requisitions were answered in the Chief Engineer's letter of the 12th January 1859, No. 6962, recorded in our Consultation of the 18th Idem Nos. 129-130, which formed a part of the correspondence forwarded with para. 19 of our letter in this Department to your Lordship's address dated 3rd February 1859 No. 1. It will be seen from our Proceedings that after a careful consideration of the case we were not disposed to enter into further engagements with Mr. Taylor either for the completion of the imperfect Survey or for other objects; but that in consideration of the time alleged by Colonel Faber to have been bestowed by Mr. Taylor on the plotting of the Survey after he had ceased to draw salary, we in accordance with Colonel Faber's recommendation, granted to Mr. Taylor, in lieu of the 1,500 Rupees passage money promised conditionally on the 8th September 1857, half salary at the rate of Rupees 3,000 a year for seventeen months or from 1st September 1857 to 31st January 1859.

5. We now submit for your Lordship's information two further communications connected with Mr. Taylor's proceedings. On the 19th January 1859, Pro. 25th January 1859, Nos. 46-47. or a day after the last mentioned order, Mr. Taylor begged that " 17th May " " 66-67. he might be allowed to take his Field Books, and Surveys of the Coringa Harbour for the purpose of making plain copies of the same at Cocanada, his object being, as he said, " to have some evidence in his possession of the arduous character of the work he had been engaged upon as a recommendation to some future appointment." Mr. Taylor was willing to deposit one thousand Rupees as security for the safe delivery of the Field Books and Plans to the District Engineer on or before the 1st March 1859, provided they were confided to his care on the day following (20th January) to enable him to proceed to Cocanada in the "Australia" Steamer. The Chief Engineer recommended compliance with the request without the deposit being taken, and we acceded to these terms.

6. The Chief Engineer has since submitted a letter from the District Engineer, giving cover to one from Mr. Taylor in reply to an application he had made to that gentleman for the adjustment of a sum of Rupees 323 of cash balance in the last account rendered by him. Mr. Taylor maintains that he has a large claim on the Government; and that for self protection and as proof of that claim, it is incumbent on him to retain as a lien the Survey of the Coringa Harbour. He therefore declares his resolution not to give up the Field Books and Plans of his Survey. As advised by our Chief Engineer we have directed the cash balance due by Mr. Taylor to be written off to Profit and Loss; and adverting to the opinion expressed by Colonel Bell regarding the records of the Survey withheld by Mr. Taylor we have deemed it inexpedient to take any measures for their recovery.

Fort Saint George, }  
7<sup>th</sup> June 1859. }

We have the honor to be,  
MY LORD,  
Your Lordship's most obedient  
humble Servants,

FORT SAINT GEORGE  
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Letter to the Right Honorable  
the Secretary of State for India,  
Dated June,  
No. of 1859.

Regarding the conduct of Mr. George Taylor Cove-  
nanted Civil Engineer in connection with the records  
of the Survey of the Coringa Harbour.

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The United States

No 16 of 1859

To The Right Honorable Lord Stanley  
Secretary of State for India

My Lord,

The Letters noted

Rev. Letter to Court of Directors in the margin and the com-  
27 April 1855. No 19.  
Rev. do to do 23 July 1855 - 35/668 - Providence transmitted with  
P. W. do to do 21 Oct 1855 - 1107 - Rev. have informed your  
P. W. do to do 21 Dec 1857 No 447 Lordship of the proceedings  
P. W. do to the Sec of State 3 Feb 1859 of the Government in re-  
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an appeal to the Right  
Honorable the Governor in  
Council, wherein, after re-  
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stances connected with his  
position in the Public  
Works Department, and  
to the little prospect of his  
services being continued  
in ~~that department~~ with  
advantage to himself and  
to his employers he tendered  
his services for the Revenue  
Survey. The Government  
in their resolution of the  
8<sup>th</sup>

\* Con: 8<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup> 1857 No 70-71. in  
correspondence forwarded  
with letter 21<sup>st</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 1857 No 24  
para 7.

8<sup>th</sup> September 1837 declined  
to recall the acceptance of  
Mr. Taylor's resignation,  
but in consideration of  
what he had set forth  
regarding his expenses,  
they expressed their willing-  
ness to grant him 1500 Ru-  
pees passage money on his  
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the 12<sup>th</sup> January 1859, No.  
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129-130, which formed a part  
of the correspondence ~~and~~  
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bestowed by Mr. Taylor  
on the plotting of the  
survey, <sup>after he had</sup> ~~since he ceased~~  
to draw salary, we  
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half

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<sup>seventeen</sup>  
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1857 to 31<sup>st</sup> January 1859.

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of the work he had been  
engaged upon as a recom-  
mendation to some  
future appointment."

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deposit

To: 25<sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1859 Rs. 45. 47  
17<sup>th</sup> May — — — 86-67

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deposit one thousand  
rupees as security for the  
safe delivery of the  
Field Books and Plans  
to the District Engineer  
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field books and Plans  
of his survey.

*[Signature]*

Fort St. George  
7<sup>th</sup> June 1859.

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June 16

Letter to the Right  
Honorable the Secretary  
of State for India.

Dated 7<sup>th</sup> June 1857

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Exp. for Steam Navigation Co.

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Regarding the conduct  
of Mr. George Saylor,  
Contracted Civil Engineer  
in connection with the  
records of the survey of  
the Oringa Harbour.

Recd 24 Nov 1857 No 36 of 9.10

Copy to the Secy of India  
of 11<sup>th</sup> June 1857 J. M. M.  
Dugab.

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# MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

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Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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*Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 4th January 1859.*

No. 30. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 9th December 1858, No. 4569.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Masulipatam, dated 18th September 1858, No. 185.

(In Con. 9th December 1858, No. 4273.)

From Officiating Chief Engineer dated 13th in Con. 23rd August 1858, with Enclosure from Collector of Masulipatam. Bd's. Pro. to Collr. of Masulipatam 23rd August 1858.

Resolved that the foregoing letter and the correspondence noted in the margin be submitted for the orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.

2. From the above papers it appears that the compounds of the Cutcherry and the Civil Dispensary Bungalows of Masulipatam are let out on rent annually. The amount realized had been usually expended in keeping up the roads in the Cutcherry, but the Collections from Fusly 1263 to 1267 being small, were allowed to accumulate, and through oversight were credited to Government.

3. The sums thus carried to account, amounted to Rupees 230. In Extract from Minutes of Consultation 7th January 1858, No. 15 P. W. D. Public, Government sanctioned the disbursement of Rupees 32-11-0 for making a road in the Cutcherry compound which should properly be deducted, the balance remaining will then be Rupees 197-6-0 which the Collector requests permission to transfer to the head of "Local Fund."

4. It is observed that in the Extract from Minutes of Consultation above quoted, the Government authorized similar collections being carried to the credit of Local Fund, and as the Collector's application merely refers to previous receipts on the same account, the Board recommend that it may be complied with.

5. The repairs of the Cutcherry roads may very well be executed from Funds realized by the Cutcherry grass rents, but the building of water pandals is foreign to the purposes for which Local Funds were established. As these sheds will however be a public convenience, and are not likely to cost much, the Board would not interfere with the Collector's intentions.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,  
*Secretary.*

No. 31. ORDER THEREON, No. 16; dated 4th January 1859.

Agreeably to the recommendation of the Board of Revenue, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council sanctions the transfer from Extra Revenue to Local Funds of the sum of Rs. (197-6-0) one hundred and ninety-seven and annas six, being the gross rent realized from the compounds of the Cutcherry and Civil Dispensary Bungalows at Masulipatam, but credited to the former head by oversight.

(Signed) W. H. BAYLEY,  
*Acting Secretary to Government.*

No. 4569.

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(A true Extract.)



Secretary.

To

W. H. BAYLEY, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, R. D.  
Copy to Collector of Masulipatam and Officiating Chief Engineer, D. P. W.

Cons. S. 1/2 Jany 1855 No 2931

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and 4 1/2 Jan 1857  
Off. 3811.

Extract from the proceedings  
of the Board of Revenue

dated 5<sup>th</sup> Decemr 1858.  
No 2107

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No 1059

Submitting correspondence  
with the Secy of Administration,  
and recommending compliance  
with his request for having

paying to the head of  
Local Board the sum of Rs 1000

to have been paid by the  
Board of the Comptroller

of the Cutchery and Civil  
disbursement, at Masulipatam,

and which was this over  
-light credited to Government

2nd 16. 4<sup>th</sup> January 1859.  
With an order

217 Dec 1853

No 16

According to the Board  
of Revenue of the Board of Revenue

The Board of Revenue has transferred  
the sum of Rs 1000 to the head of

Local Board and money drawn and  
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