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Dated 21-1- 1859.

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No. 65. Read the following letter from C. J. MACCARTHEY, Esq., Colonial Secretary at Colombo; to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated Colombo, 5th January 1859, No. 1.

SIR,

I am directed by the Governor to transmit to you Extract of a letter from Captain Phillpotts, the Officer in charge of the Irrigation works at Batticaloa, and to request that you will move the Right Honorable the Governor of Madras in Council to be pleased to take the necessary steps for sending to Ceylon the Artificers required by that officer.

Extract referred to.

One hundred Bricklayers should be sent from the coast in the proportion of 20, 1st Class—20, 2nd Class—25, 3rd Class, and 35, 4th Class, 8 Stone-cutters and 40 Well-sinkers should also be sent, they should arrive here, so as to commence work early in June. They should be embarked in a Vessel coming direct to Batticaloa, and thus avoid the extra expense and delay of first going to Colombo, as they did this year; by which arrangement their passage cost 4 times as much as it would have done, had they come direct.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) JAMES SWAN.

No. 66. ORDER THEREON, No. 205; dated 21st January 1859.

Resolved that the Chief Engineer be requested immediately to engage the workmen required by the Government of Ceylon, and to arrange with the Superintendent of Marine for their passage to Batticaloa within the time indicated.

2. Any advance made by the Central Office, and any expense incurred by the Superintendent of Marine will be charged in a separate Bill, and receive the sanction of Government.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
Secretary to Government.

No 1
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Colonial Secretary's Office
Colombo 8th January 1859

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to transmit to you Extract of a letter from Captain Pringle Pitts, the Officer in charge of the Irrigation works at Batticaloa, and to request that you will move the Right Honble the Governor of Madras in Council to be pleased to take the necessary steps for sending to Ceylon the artificers required by that Officer.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obed.t Servant
C J Thurnour

The Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Extract Refered to

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" A True Extract "

James Swan

Public Works. Dept

No 205.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Under date the 21st January 1859

Read the following
letter from the Colonial
Secretary at Columbo.

(Memorandum 5th January/59 ch 1.)

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Colombo 20th January 1859

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint you for the information of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, that I have received your Despatch No 98 of the 23rd January 1859.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) [illegible]
Colonial Secretary

The Officer Administering
the Government
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Transmitting Letter from
the Colonial Secretary
Ceylon Chief Engineer
Superintendent of Marine
Central Office
Colombo Harbour
Ceylon.

Copy

in a separate Bill, and receive the sanction of Government.

10 Copies to Mr. Chief Engr & Dupl 22 &
3 — " — " Supt of Marine

3. The Chief Engineer is requested to lose no time in complying with the wishes of the Government of Ceylon, as it will be observed from the Colonial Secretary's letter that the Services of the workmen are required early in June.

Cons: 20th Apl/58 Nos 83 & 84

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From the Dy. Chief Engr in Charge of Central Office D/ 1st Augt/59 & No 1998 in Cons.

Extract Mins: of Cons:

Dated 21st January 1859.

From the Colonial Secty at Colombo D/ 8th February/59 & No 373 in Cons 25th No 176-77
From Chief Engr D/ 16th March/59 No 627 in Cons 1st & 8th April

Requesting the Chief Engineer to engage the workmen required by the Government of Ceylon and to arrange with the Superintendent of Marine for their passage to Batticaloa within the time indicated and directing any advance made by the central office and any expenses incurred by the Superintendent of Marine be charged in a separate Bill and receive the sanction of Government

No 65 & 66.

From the Chief Engr. Dated 26th Feby /59 & No 462 in Cons 1st March &c. 28-30.

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