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No. 62. Read the following letter from WILLIAM CHARLES GIBSON, Esq., Colonial Secretary at Colombo; to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated 26th September 1859, No. 57.

With reference to my letter, No. 49 of the 24th ultimo, I am directed to transmit, to be laid before the Honorable the Covernor in Council, the annexed copy of a communication from Captain Phillpotts, on the subject of the artificers sent last year from Tanjore to Batticaloa.

Letter from Captain W. PHILLPOTTS, R. E.; to the Honorable the Colonial Secretary at Colombo, dated Erecamam Villoo, Batticaloa, 12th September 1859.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, dated 29th ultimo, and its enclosures from the Madras Government, on the subject of the artificers sent here from Tanjore.

2. The only thing in the correspondence which requires a reply from me is the claim of the well-sinkers, who were here last year, to £15, and the assertion, in consequence, that faith was broken with them. In my letter No. 106 of 22nd July last, I represented this claim to you, and suggested its being referred to the Madras Government.

I then went so fully into the men's accounts, that it would be superfluous now to say more than that the statement (C) attached to the correspondence is correct, and agrees with my letter referred to above, except so far as concerns column No. 6. That letter will have informed you that I remitted in all, £3-6 on account of each man; whereas according to column No. 6 of statement (C) the family remittance actually given to each man amounted to £1-16 leaving the balance due each, on account of family remittance unpaid, £1-10. Why this has not been paid I cannot say, but I remitted it through the proper channel, and column No. 5 of statement (C) shows that I paid the men all that was due them here, if therefore, faith was broken with them, it was not through any neglect on my part.

3. The only other point I have to remark on is, that ten pounds (£10) was paid the tindal of the Hydrose at Batticaloa on account. I reported this to Captain Oakes, District Engineer of Tanjore, by telegraph and letter, as soon as I heard that the man was to be settled with on his return to Nagapatam; the expenditure incurred by the Madras Government will thus be reduced by ten pounds (£10).

4. The original enclosures will be returned in the course of a few days.

No. 63. ORDER THEREON, 10th October 1859, No. 2404.

Ordered to be recorded; the subject referred to having been disposed of by the order of the 24th September No. 2286.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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(signed) W. Phillpotts

A true Copy

J. Thomson Secy.

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No: 59.

Colonial Secretary's Office
Colombo, 26: September 1859

Sir,

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Your most obed't Servant
[signature]

The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort St: George

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