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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 15th March 1859.

No. 142. Read the following letter from Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated 1st March 1859, No. 8240.

SIR,

I do myself the honor to submit for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the accompanying copies of correspondence received from the District Engineer, Nellore, reporting the death of a Cooly woman, near the Laboor large Tank, by the fall of a Palmyra tree.

2. The circumstances which led to the unfortunate event referred to, are given in detail in Captain Ritherdon's letter, which form an enclosure to Captain Mullins' communication, and it will be observed therefrom, that due notice had been given to the deceased prior to the felling of the tree in question.

3. It is reported, that an investigation was made into the matter by the Police Authorities at Nellore, which has resulted in the removal of all blame from the servants employed on the work, where the deceased was engaged also.

Letter from Captain J. MULLINS, District Engineer, Nellore; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated Camp Woodiagherry, 18th February 1859, No. 359.

SIR,

I have the honor to forward for your information, a copy of a letter* from Captain Ritherdon, reporting the particulars of an accident which occurred to a Cooly woman, on the 27th January last, by the fall of a Palmyra tree.

2. The accident was originally reported on the 31st Idem, but no particulars were at that time known.

3. As it does not appear that any one was dependant on the deceased woman, no claim for compensation has been submitted.

Letter from Captain A. RITHERDON, Executive Engineer, Nellore District; to Captain J. MULLINS, District Engineer, Nellore, dated Nellore, 15th February 1859, No. 31.

SIR,

With reference to a letter from this Office, No. 22 of the 31st Ultimo, informing you of an accident at Laboor Tank; I have now the honor to report that it unfortunately terminated fatally.

II. Sub-Overseer Gilbert went to the spot and sends a report, of which the following is the substance.

III. On the 27th January 1859, Mahalutchmee was working at Laboor large Tank when she accidentally got in the way of a falling tree which broke her leg and arm. She was taken to the Hospital at Nellore where she died. The Goomastah in charge of the work was at another part of the Bund when the tree was cut down, but the Head Cooly is said to have ordered the Coolies away to a safe distance, but whether the deceased returned out of curiosity or never stood sufficiently far from the tree is not known.

IV. The Head of Police made an investigation, but attaches no blame to any of the servants employed on the work.

V. Mahalutchmee and her mother M. Lutchmee have worked at the Tank for nearly two years; but it does not appear that any one was dependant on the daughter.

No. 143. ORDER THEREON, No. 600; dated 15th March 1859.

Ordered that the foregoing letter be recorded.

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

Laboor

No 359 C. C.

From Captain J. Mullins
District Engineer Nellore

To Colonel C. C. Talbot
Chief Engineer D. P. W.
Fort Saint George

General
accident

Sir,
I have the honor to forward for your information
a copy of a letter from Captain Richardson reporting the
particulars of an accident which occurred to a cooly
woman on the 27th January last by the fall of a Palmyra
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No 31 of 18th instant

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Camp Woodagherry,
18th February 1859.

I have &c
Signed J. Mullins Capt
Dist Engineer Nellore

No 31
To The District Engineer,
Nellore

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Signed J. A. Rutherford Captain
Executive Engineer N. D.

Mellore
15th February 1859.

True copy

Signed J. Mullins Capt.

District Engineer Mellore

True copies

Signed J. A. Rutherford Major
N. D. Sup^r Eng^r C. S.

Chas. H. ...

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Hon. The Chief Engineer.
 & The Secretary to Government & Mills
 Sir, I do myself the honor to submit for the information

of the Right Honourable the Governor in Council, the accompanying copies of correspondence received from the District Engineer Melrose reporting the death of a cooly woman near the Lathrop Lagoon by the fall of a Palmyra tree.

2 The circumstances which led to the unfortunate event referred to are given in detail in Captain Pittard's letter, which forms an enclosure to Captain Gulliver's communication, and it will be observed therefrom that due notice had been given to the deceased prior to the felling of the tree in question.

3 It is reported, that an investigation was made into the matter by the Police authorities at Netlore, which has resulted in the removal of all blame from the servants employed on the work, where the deceased was engaged etc.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant,

Wm. Baker Colonel.
Chief Engineer.

Central Office of Public Works,
Fort Saint George, 1st March 1859.



Enclosure in a letter from
the Chief Engineer.
To the Dock Agents & MD
Date 1st March 1853
No 8240
MD 2488/53.
Copies of correspondence
relating the accident
which occurred on 20th
Nov. are on the 2^d of January
by the fall of a Column in
over the Salver Lighthouse
on the Nelson Dock.

22nd March 1859 Population and
Land Survey - No. 1488.

From the Chief Engineer

to the Secretary to Government
P.M.D.

22nd 1st

22nd 1st March 1859.

No. 8940

Enclosed

Proper to the Secretary of the
Board of the Survey of the
Land in the Home District

the Survey of a Colony of the
M.D.

No. 8940

22nd March 1859

23rd March 1859