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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 12th April 1859.

No. 40. Read the following letter from Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated 19th March 1859, No. 8785.

SIR,

Para. 1. In accordance with the instructions conveyed in Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 11th Instant No. 544, I have the honor to state that the Brick Making Machines and Pug Mills, alluded to in my letter of the 25th Ultimo, No. 8145, not having been landed by this Department, nor come under its cognizance till after they had been damaged, I am unable to give any more definite information than that already afforded as to the manner in which the injuries were received.

2. With respect to the loss of parts of a Steam Dredge while being shipped for transport to Negapatam, I cannot say who were to blame, as the operation was conducted entirely by the Ordnance Department, and the responsibility must rest between them, the Boatmen, and the Officer and Crew of the "Coromandel."

3. In reply to para. 2, I beg to state that, the six five ton Cranes referred to, were received from England in the Ship "Endymion" on the 7th of May 1857, with an Invoice, of which an extract was furnished to this office, dated London, 2nd December 1856. The bolts of these Cranes were all too short by two inches, and have had to be lengthened.

4. The twelve hand Pumps were received by the Ship "Graham" on the 22nd November 1855, but no Invoice, or extract from it, appears to have been sent to this Department, and it was not till these had been inspected, after having been indented for from the Mofussil, that these defects were discovered.

5. With reference to para. 3 of the orders under reply, I beg to say that I will not fail to report promptly all future instances of injury to articles received from England as soon as they come to my knowledge, but whether I shall have the means of showing that they occurred before the arrival of the articles in the roads, or in the process of landing them will depend, I respectfully submit on the decision of Government, on my proposition for the entire transfer of the receipts, custody, and issue of Public Works Stores to this Department, since under the present system, I know nothing of any thing that may have arrived till it is landed.

No. 41. ORDER THEREON, No. 833; dated 8th April 1859.

Ordered that a copy of paras. 1 and 2 of this letter be forwarded to the Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines, with a request that he will enquire and report the nature, extent and causes of the damage alleged to have been sustained by the Machinery specified by Colonel Faber in the processes of landing and re-shipping. Ordered also that paras. 3 and 4 with the previous correspondence on the subject be brought to the notice of the Home Authorities.

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

Central Office of Public Works
Fort St George 19th March 1859.

N^o 8785

From
The Chief Engineer,
To
The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department

Office
Machinery

Sir,
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Pug Mills, alluded to in my letter of the 25th Ultimo N^o 8145, not having been landed by this Depart-
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2. With respect to the loss of parts of a Steam Dredge while being shipped for transport to Negapatam, I cannot say who were to blame, as the operation was conducted entirely by the Ordnance Department, and the responsibility must rest between them, the boatmen, and the
Officer

Officer and Crew of the "Gromandis".

3. In reply to para 2, I beg to state that, the six five ton cranes referred to were received from England in the Ship "Endymion" on the 7th of May 1857, with an invoice, of which an extract was furnished to this Office, dated London 2nd December 1856. The bolts of these cranes were all too short by two inches, and have had to be lengthened.

4. The twelve hand pumps were received by the Ship "Graham" on the 22nd November 1855, but no invoice, or extract from it, appears to have been sent to this Department, and it was not till these had been inspected, after having been ^{from the Moluccas} imported for, that these defects were discovered.

5. With reference to para 3 of the orders under reply, I beg to say that I will not fail to report promptly all future instances of injury to articles received from England as soon as they come to my knowledge, but whether I shall have the means of showing that they occurred before the arrival of the articles in the roads, or in the process of landing them, will depend; I respectfully submit on the decision of Government on my proposition for the entire transfer of the receipts, custody, and issue of Public Works stores

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I have the honor to be
Sir,

Central Office of P.W.
Fort Saint George
19th March 1857.

} Your Most Obedient Servant.
W. H. Miller Colonel

Chief Engineer

Public Works Dept

No. 833

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Under date the 8th Nov^r 1859

(Read the following
letter from the Chief
Engineer.

(Inserted 19th March 1859
N^o. 8785)

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of this letter be for-
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and Magazines, with
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to have been sustained

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Case 15 March 1859. N^o. 33-34.

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From the Chief Engineer
to the Secretary to Government
under Minute 21st 11th

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Refers to Extract
Minutes of Consultation
of the 11th March 1859
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damages sustained by
machinery.

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by the Machinery
specified by Colonel
Tabor in the process
of landing and re-
shipping. Ordered also
that Papers &c. with
the previous correspon-
dence on the subject
be brought to the notice
of the Home authorities.

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4 Copies to Inspector Genl
of Revenue & Magazines.
Dist. 4
10 in Chief Office

App. Com: 15th June/59.
33-345

Public Works 1859-29410.
2050 Com: 12th April

No 8335.

Contract with of Com.

208th April 1859.

From the Register-County
of 20th April 12th May 1859
Ch. 12/18. Com.

The Inspector General
of Ordnance & Magazines is
inquired and report (no money)
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image alleged to have been
examined by the Treasury
specified by Col. Baker in the
process of landing and
re-shipping, and the same
condemned on the subject (to
be sent to the notice of the
Home Government)

No 10 441.

31st March 27th April