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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, from 1st to 10th June 1859.

No. 207. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. BELL, Chief Engineer; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated 27th May 1859, No. 936.

With reference to Extract Minutes Consultation, dated the 20th Instant, No. 1221, noticing the great delay in the Central Office in the submission of the Bill therein referred to, I have the honor to report for the information of Government, that the Bill in question was first received in August 1857 and returned to the District Engineer only in December 1858, in order to the cause of excess over the amount of the Estimate being given at the foot. It was received back early in January 1859, but was again returned on the 28th of that month with an observation that the cause assigned for the excess was not sufficient to be laid before Government. In a letter from the District Engineer of the 2nd February 1859, No. 344, the Bill in question was re-submitted with an intimation that he was unable to furnish any more information than that already laid before the Chief Engineer. The Bill was then returned for an explanation regarding the item of superintendence, which was stated to be one of the principal causes of excess. It was again re-forwarded with the required explanation about the close of April 1859, and though the papers were ready for submission to Government before the 1st Instant, they were not actually despatched till the 4th Idem.

7th March 1859.

No. 208. ORDER THEREON, 10th June 1859, No. 1430.

Ordered that the foregoing letter be recorded.

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

No 936

Central Office of Public Works
Fort Saint George
27 May 1859.

From

The Chief Engineer

To

The Secretary to Government,
D. P. W.

Sir,

With reference to C. M. C. dated the 20th Instant c.t. 1221, noticing the great delay on the Central Office on the submission of the bill therein referred to, I have the honor to report for the information of Government, that the bill in question was first received in August 1857 and returned to the District Engineer only in December 1858 in order to the cause of excess over the amount of the Estimate being given at the foot. It was received back early in January 1859, but was again returned on the 28th of that month with an observation that the cause assigned for the excess was not sufficient to be laid before Government. In a letter from the District Engineer of the 2nd February 1859, c.t. 314, the bill in question was resubmitted with an

intimation

information that he was unable to procure any more information than had already been laid before the Chief Engineer. He will therefore return for an explanation of the delay that has taken place, which was stated to be owing to the principal causes except. All returns forwarded with the required explanation about the close of April 1859 and the papers were ready for accompanying the Government before the 1st Instant, they were not returned despatched till the 11th Instant

Fort St George
29th May 1859

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
A Bell Lt Col
Chief Engineer

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To
The Secretary to Government
F. P.W.

March 1859

Comm: 27th May 59 No 641/442 Pr Works 1859 Deptt

No 1375

From

The Chief Engineer

To

The Secretary to Govt
P.W.D.

No 1430

to be recorded

No 8 of 1st George
10th June 59

Dated 27 May
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Respecting the information of the circumstances connected with the recent delay in the Central Office in the communication of the bill for the construction of a Bridge of Boats across the Sweetwater Canal at Bellary

No 1208 of 1859

Rec'd 30th May 59th June

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