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No. 115. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. BELL, Chief Engineer; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated 6th June 1859, No. 1288.

Adverting to Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 21st April 1859 No. 956, I have the honor to report that the plans and estimates called for by Government in Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 31st May 1858 No. 1021, for certain buildings for the use of the European Detachment at Mulliapooram in the Malabar District, were submitted on the 20th August and 15th September 1858, respectively. In drawing the attention of the Chief Engineer to the omission of this order from the unanswered reference list, the Government appear to be under the impression that whilst the required plans and estimates have been forwarded for the several buildings therein specified no provision has yet been made for a prison room which the Commander-in-Chief considered to be very necessary. It will be observed however that on the 3rd July last, the Officiating Chief Engineer in complaince with Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 8th March 1858, submitted estimates for buildings ordered to be erected at Mulliapooram, which the Government in Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 17th September 1858 No. 1919, sanctioned for execution on emergency. As these estimates were reported by the District Engineer of Malabar, to provide also for the prison room, it was considered that the whole subject having been disposed of, the retention of the orders of 31st May, in the unanswered list, was unnecessary.

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From District Engineer 14th July 1858, No. 149.

2. With regard to Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 8th June 1858 No. 776, inquiring whether the Map of the Geological Survey of the Neilgherries can be executed in the Lithographic department of this office, I beg to refer the Government to Colonel Lawford's letter, dated 16th Idem No. 276, in which the Government were apprized that the Central office was in communication with Mr. Blanford, Assistant of the Geological Survey of India, on the subject. On the 7th July Mr. Blanford reported that as he was about to proceed to Calcutta, he thought it probable that it will be found desirable to have the map lithographed there, and requested in consequence that the matter might stand over, until he shall be able to inform this office of what step will be ultimately decided on, with regard to the preparation of the map. Mr. Blanford has not addressed this office since on the matter.

3. The information called for in Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 15th March 1858 No. 467, as to the cost of renewing the boiler and engines of the "Pottenger" will be embodied in a report to be shortly submitted with regard to refitting that vessel.

4. The question of collecting a toll on the Tambracherry Pass, in the Malabar District, mooted in Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 10th February 1857 No. 294, and which was revived in Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 8th March last No. 523, must be held in abeyance with reference to the orders of Government relieving Lieutenant-Colonel Lawford for the present of the duty of inspecting and reporting on the Wynaad ghauts and roads. The order of Government however, on the subject of the toll will be duly entered in the unanswered list in future until finally disposed of.

Extract Minutes of Consultation 29th April 1859 No. 995.

5. Adverting to the orders of Government dated 25th October 1855 No. 726 and 27th March 1857 No. 563, I beg to explain that the completion of the statement called for of roads allowed to go to ruin and which it is desirable to preserve in the condition of 2nd class roads, is deferred on account of the non-receipt from the District Engineer of Tanjore of a revised statement which he was desired to furnish. The attention of that Officer has been called to the omission. The subject of Neeranicum establishment is under consideration and will be shortly reported on.

6. The other orders pointed out by Government as having been omitted from the list, will also be entered if not intermediately replied to and no exertion will be spared to reduce the

present number of references remaining undisposed of, in order to exhibit a more favorable result than that noticed by Gorvernment in para. 6 of their orders under acknowledgment.

No. 116. ORDER THEREON, 17th June 1859, No. 1498.

Ordered that the foregoing letter be recorded.

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

Central Office of P.W.D.
Fort Saint George
6th June 1859.

No. 1288.

From
The Chief Engineer

To
The Secretary
to Government P.W.D.

Public

Sir,

Adverting to Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 21st April 1858 No. 756, I have the honor to report that the Plans and Estimates called for by Government in Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 31st May 1858 No. 1021, for certain Buildings for the use of the European Detachments at Mullaipooram, in the Malabar District, were submitted on the 20th August, and 15th September 1858 respectively. In drawing the attention of the Chief Engineer to the omission of this order from the Unanswered Reference List, the Government appear to be under the impression that whilst the required Plans and Estimates have been forwarded for the several Buildings therein specified,

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no provision has yet been made for a Prison Room, which the Commander in Chief considered to be very necessary. It will be observed, however, that on the 3rd July last, the Officiating Chief Engineer in compliance with Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 8th March 1858, submitted Estimates for Buildings ordered to be erected at Malliapooram, which the Government in Extract Minutes of Consultation, of the 17th September 1858. No. 1913, sanctioned for execution on emergency. As these Estimates were reported by the District Engineer of Malabar, to proceed also for the Prison Room, it was considered that the whole subject having been disposed of, the retention of the order of 31st May, in the Unanswered List was unnecessary. —

From Sec. Lyd. 14 Jul. 4/58 No. 149.

2. With regard to Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 8th June 1858, No. 776, enquiring whether the Head of the Geological Survey of the Neilgherries, can be executed in the Vellore Department of this Office, I beg to refer the Government to Colonel Lawford's letter, dated 16th Idem No. 276, in which the Government were apprized, viz.

the Central Office was in communication with Mr. Blanford, Assistant of the Geological Survey of India, on the subject. On the 7th July Mr. Blanford reported that as he was about to proceed to Calcutta, he thought it probable that it will be found desirable, to have the Madras lithographed there, and requested in consequence that the matter might stand over, until he shall be able to inform this Office of what steps will be ultimately decided on, with regard to the preparation of the Map. Mr. Blanford has not addressed this Office since, on the matter. —

3. The information called for in Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 15th March 1858, No. 467, as to the cost of renewing the Boiler and Engines of the "Pottinger" will be embodied in a Report to be shortly submitted with regard to refitting that Vessel. —

4. The question of collecting a Toll on the Tambrachery Pass, in the Malabar District mooted in Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 10th February 1857, No. 294, and which was revived in Extract Minutes of Consultation of the

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8th March last, N° 523, must be held in abeyance with reference to the orders of Government, relieving Lieutenant Colonel Lawford for the present of the duty of inspecting and reporting on the Wynaad Ghauts and Roads, the order of Government, however, on the subject of the Call will be duly entered in the Unanswered List in future until finally disposed of. —

Extract attached Mem. 29th June 1859 N° 995.

5 Adverting to the Orders of Government, dated 25th October 1855 N° 726 and 27th March 1857, N° 563, I beg to explain that the completion of the Statement called for of Roads allowed to go to ruin, and which it is desirable to preserve in the condition of 2nd Class Roads, is deferred on account of the non-receipt from the District Engineer of Canjore, of a revised Statement which he was desired to furnish, The attention of that Officer has been called to the omission — The subject of Peerannaum Establishment is under consideration and will be shortly reported on. —

6 The other orders pointed out by Government, as having been omitted from the List, will also be entered if not entertained strictly applied to, and no insertion will be allowed to reduce the present number of references remaining undisposed of, in order to exhibit a more favorable result than that noticed by Government in Para 6 of their orders under acknowledgment. —

Public Office Fort Saint George June 1859

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

H. H. Bell Lieut.-Colonel Chief Engineer

Central Office of P. W.
Fort Saint George
6th June 1859.

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From
The Chief Engineer

To
The Secretary to Government
Dpt. of Public Work.

Public

Sir

Adverting to Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 31st April 1859 No. 956. I have the honor to report that the Plans and Estimates called for by Government in Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 31st May 1858 No. 1021 for certain Buildings for the use of the European Detachment at Mulliapooram in the Malabar District were submitted on the 20th August and 15th September 1858 respectively. In drawing the attention of the Chief Engineer to the omission of this order from the Unanswered Reference List, the Govt. appear to be under the impression that whilst the required Plans and Estimates have been forwarded for the Several Buildings therein specified no provision has yet been made for a Prison Room which the Commander in Chief considered to be very necessary. It will be observed, however that on the 3rd July last the Officiating Chief Engineer in compliance with Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 8th March 1858 submitted Estimates for Buildings ordered to be erected at Mulliapooram, which the Government in Extract Minutes of Consultation, of the 17th September 1858 No. 1919 Sanctioned for execution an emergency. As these Estimates

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Proc. of Govt. 17th June
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From
The Secretary to Government
To
The Chief Engineer

Dated 6th June 1859
Received 7th June 1859
No. 2329

Submitted herewith in the Accounts
Accountant
Examined from the Vouchers
Examined Recorded
for the Half year ending
31st December 1858
No. 14498
To be recorded
14 June 1859

Estimates were reported by the District Engineer of Malabar, From District Engr. 14th July 1858 No. 149
to provide also for the Prison Room, it was considered that the
whole subject having been disposed of, the retention of the
orders of 31st May, in the Unanswered List was unnecessary.

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the Geological Survey of the Neilgherries can be executed in
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in which the Government were apprized that the Central Office
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Geological Survey of India on the subject. On the 7th July
Mr. Blanford reported that as he was about to proceed to
Calcutta, he thought it probable that it will be found desir-
able to have the Map lithographed there, and requested in
consequence that the matter might stand over, until he shall
be able to inform this Office of what steps will be ultimately
decided on, with regard to the preparation of the Maps. Mr
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Roads.

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Toll will be duly entered in the Unanswered List in future
until finally disposed of.

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to explain that the completion of the statement called for
of Roads allowed to go to ruin and which it is desirable to
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under consideration and will be shortly reported on.

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spared to reduce the present number of references remain-
ing undisposed of, in order to exhibit a more favorable
result than that noticed by Government in Para 6
of their orders under acknowledgment.

Central Office of P. W.
Fort Saint George
6th June 1859

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant
(Signed) J. H. Bell Lieut.t Colonel
Chief Engineer.

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P. W. Cons 29th April/59 No 5455

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Pro. of Govt 17th June
No 1471

From The Chief Engineer

To The Secretary to
Government D't W

Dated 6th
Received 9th } June 1859

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Submits observations on
the papers omitted from the List
of Unanswered References for
the half year ending 31st Dec. 58.

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To be recorded
17th June 1859