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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

Per 10.5.1860

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
for the month of May 1860.*

No. 55. Read the following letter from Colonel J. H. BELL, Chief Engineer, to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated Chepauk, 1st May 1860, No. 2:—

The Government has observed in paragraphs 1 and 9 of the Order of the 27th of April 1860, No. 867, that I have replied "only to the first part of the Order," and that with regard to the second part the Chief Engineer's reply is silent.

2. If reference be made to paragraph 6 of my letter of the 19th of March 1860, No. 11,496, it will be seen that I said that "a report on the subject of the regulation of rates for materials and labor will be submitted shortly;" and I beg to add that the Order of July 12th, 1855, No. 335, has not been lost sight of, and that had it been so I certainly should not have allowed the fact to be inferred by my "silence," a mode of avoiding a difficulty which I should consider derogatory to a Public Officer, and which I should have supposed would not have been imputed without better grounds than those which are apparent in the present case, or without simultaneous censure.

3. Ever since I came into Office the subject of the revision of rates has occupied the attention of the Estimate Department; but it has been impracticable as yet to submit a report for want of information repeatedly called for from some of the Districts. I find also from the letters marginally noted, that the difficulties attending the completion of the Comparative Statement have been adverted to or noticed no less than five times in communications submitted to Government from this Office.

4. The compilation of the Return for 1858-9 was prevented by the failure on the part of some of the local Officers to furnish their respective Statements, and the completion of that for 1859-60, is delayed solely by the want of the requisite documents from Tanjore and Madura, the District Engineers of which have been written to frequently for them.

No. 56. ORDER THEREON, 14th May 1860, No. 1004.

Ordered to be recorded.

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

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Central Office of P.W.
Chepauk 3 K
1 May 1860

From
The Chief Engineer

To,
The Secretary
to Government P.W.

Sir

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July

N^o 355

Communications submitted to Government from this Office

4. The compilation of the Return for 1858/59 was prevented by the failure on the part of some of the local Officers to furnish their respective statements and the completion of that for 1859/60 is delayed solely by the want of the requisite documents from Tanjore and also from the District Engineers of which have been written to frequently for them.

Central Office of P.W.
Chennai
1 May 1860

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
H. L. Colver
Chief Engineer

E. May

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Re. Sub. letter 10th July 1858
N^o. 7345 P.W. 137, 138
dated 16th Feb. 1859 N^o. 7429
dated 30th Oct. 1858 - 5329
P.W. 6, 7-8
dated 16th Dec. 1858 N^o. 6359
P.W. 13
dated 31st Aug. 1859
N^o. 4486 P.W. 23

30th July/60 8th 93494
17th July/55-a-14418.

Son: 1860 Al. Kaufman
Bro: of Capt D. A. Cary)
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Thos. A. Jefferson

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John W. W. W.

Thos. A. D. George
11.5.1888

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Dec 22
May 1866.

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22 May 1978

Submitting with reference

is the proceedings of the same and dated
27th March 1860. It is by my name in the
evidence of the completion of the above
part of labor and materials as the
is the statement of the completion of 1863
1860 12th July 1863. —
Records

John H. Johnson