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No. 83. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. BELL, Chief Engineer; to the Secretary to Government, dated 11th January 1860, No. 9006.

I have the honor to submit for the consideration of Government, the accompanying bill amounting to Rupees 10,214-13-4, for the construction of three bridges on the branch road from Vizagapatam to Vamúlavalsa.

1 Letter from the District Engineer, No. 535, dated 28th Sept. 1859 with 1 statement and 1 Bill.

2. The estimate sanctioned by Government for this work are as follows:—

1 for Rupees	8,565	10	6	15th April	1854.
1 „ „	2,120	0	0	26th May	1856.
Total.....	10,685	10	6		

3. On the 2nd April 1856, the late Chief Engineer submitted to Government a statement of the expenditure incurred up to that time on the work, which was Rupees 7,870-15-6. On the 9th November 1858, a bill amounting to Rupees 2,145-6-10 was passed in the Central office after retrenching a sum of Rupees 198-7-0 as follows.

Rupees	197	12	3 balance of irrecoverable advances made to contractors.
„	0	10	9 on account of error in calculation.

4. On the District Engineer, however, explaining the manner in which the error in calculation occurred, the sum of annas ten and pice nine was passed in the Central office.

5. With regard to the other item of Rupees 197-12-3, the District Engineer reports that this amount is composed of certain balances irrecoverable from 3 or 4 brick and chunam contractors, who in consequence of their kilns having been destroyed by the rains, made their escape from their villages, with a view of avoiding detection.

6. Under these circumstances, and as the District Engineer, Vizagapatam, reports that the efforts made by Lieutenant-Colonel Birdwood, Captain Moberly and Lieutenant Syme to recover these balances have proved altogether fruitless, I have the honor to request the sanction of Government for writing off the amount, 197-12-3 to profit and loss.

No. 84. ORDER THEREON, 26th January 1860, No. 198.

The Government grant authority for writing off to profit and loss the sum of Rupees (197-12-3) one hundred and ninety-seven annas twelve and pice three being the balance due by the brick and chunam contractors for the three bridges on the Vizagapatam and Vamúlavalsa road, represented to be irrecoverable.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Statement of alteration in the Establishment to be carried into effect by the Government from 1st October to 31st December 1859 under the authority granted by the Government of India in their Proceedings on the Finance Department, dated 8th February 1856 No 663.

Present Scale		Alteration as now sanctioned		Remarks.
	Rs. As. P		Rs. As. P	
Deputy Surveyor General's Office Govt Lithographic Press, Fort St George.				
2 Tracers at 15 Rs each	30 " "	1 Tracer	18 " "	
1 Tracer	14 " "	1 Do	16 " "	
		1 Do	10 " "	
Total	44 " "	Total	44 " "	

This alteration was found necessary in order to introduce a gradation of salaries in the Tracing Branch of the Lithographic Department of the Central Office of Public Works.

Vide Proceedings of the Madras Government 17th December 1859 No 2939.

STATEMENT of alteration in the Establishments sanctioned by the Government from 1st October to 31st December 1859, under the authority granted by the Government of India in their Proceedings in the Financial Department, dated 8th February 1856 No. 663.

Present Scale.				Alteration as now sanctioned.				Remarks.
Deputy Surveyor General's Office and Government Lithographic Press, Fort St. George.								
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2 Tracers at 15 Rs. each...	30	0	0	1 Tracer...	18	0	0	
1 Tracer.....	14	0	0	1 do. ...	16	0	0	
				1 do. ...	10	0	0	
Total...	44	0	0	Total...	44	0	0	

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Ed. Wm. Thomas.

Office of
Chief Engineer
11th January 1860

Sir

I have the honor to transmit for consideration and Payment the accompanying Abstract of Expenditure on the Bridges on the Granard Road from Longford to the Limits of Cavan Co. for the month of December 1859 amounting to £102-13-4 for which I have received a Warrant on the Treasurer of Longford County for £85-10-6 being 15% less than the Estimate.

I am Sir
Your most obedient Servant
[illegible]
Civil Engineer

To
The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
Dublin

that the error occurred in the work, which was Rupees 98,90,16,6. On the 9th November 1858, a Bill amounting to Rupees 2,48,8,6,10 was passed in the Central Office after retrenching an error of Rupees 108,7,0 as follows:-

Rupees 107,12,3 Balance of irrecoverable advances made to Contractors.

— ,, — ,, 10,2 Due account of error, in calculation

&c. &c. &c.

On the District Engineer however re-examining the manner in which the error in calculation occurred, the sum of Rupees 107,12,3 was passed in the Central Office

But regard to the other sum of Rupees 107,12,3, the District Engineer reports that this amount is composed of certain balances irrecoverable from Contractors who in consequence of their default having been debarred by the Board from their dealings with a view of avoiding detection.

Under these circumstances and as the District Engineer Vizagapatam reports that the reports made by Lieutenant Colonel Birdwood, Captain Moberly and Lieutenant Cleve to recover these balances have proved altogether fruitless, I have the honor to request the sanction of Government for writing off the amount Rupees 107,12,3 to Profit and Loss.

I have the honor to be,

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

Chief Engineer

Secretary to Government

Public Works Department

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to the Proposals &c
herein specified &c
for the construction of 3
Bridges on the Trunk road
from Vizagapatam to
Vizianagram &c &c
Submitted to Government

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