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(1) Number of pieces—2

(2) Date of repair—

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No. 233. Read the following letter from Lieutenant Colonel W. H. HORSLEY, Chief Engineer, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, dated Chepauk, 8th December 1860, No. 7,789 —

SIR,

1. The late District Engineer of the Godavery in submitting in a letter to this Office, No. 675, dated 22d November 1857, a supplemental Estimate, Rupees 69,570 for completing the work in the Coconada Harbour, observed in paragraph 4 — "I have likewise included an item for a Flagstaff which ought to be erected also for the Master Attendant's Office. The timber and rigging of the present small Flagstaff have become quite rotten and are unsafe."

1 Letter from Lieut. Prescott, dated 22nd November 1857, No. [illegible] received 1st December 1860	
1 Estimate	
1 Report	
1 Plan	
1 Sketch	
* Rupees [illegible]	

2. In resubmitting the revised supplemental Estimate, Rupees 59,150 in his letter No. [illegible] 11th September 1858, the same item Rupees 700 was retained for the Flagstaff, as one of the improvements to be completed in connection with the Coconada Harbour Improvement, but was not specifically alluded to in the covering letter, nor does it appear to have been in any way commented on in the letter from this Office to Government, No. 3,259, dated 11th November 1858, forwarding the said Estimates for their sanction.

Labour		500
Sundries, &c.		50
Add Contingencies, at 10 per cent.		55
Total Rupees		605

3. In a letter from this Office, No. 1,230, dated 29th July 1859, the Flagstaff was recommended as a separate work for immediate execution, and was estimated by Government for Rupees 570 in para. 3 of their Order No. 2,078, dated 29th August 1859, for entry in the Budget of the current official year.

4. In a letter No. 126, dated 28th May 1860, the Acting District Engineer reported that the Contractor, as before granted, for constructing the Flagstaff was quite insufficient, and would only provide for the lower mast with treble tops, cross-trees, &c., while the lower and topgallant masts of the present Flagstaff will form the top and topgallant masts of the new one. He enclosed a revised Plan and Estimate in substitution of the former, amounting to Rupees 2,050, and stated, at the same time, that the present Flagstaff was a very unsafe one to go up.

5. As Captain Rundall had, as before stated, in a letter No. 675, dated 22nd November 1857, reported the timber of the present Flagstaff as quite rotten and unsafe, Captain Stokoe was asked to explain, how, under these circumstances, he recommended it to be used in the new Flagstaff.

6. That Officer in a letter No. 1,115, dated 9th November 1860, has explained that the timber of the present Flagstaff has been carefully examined, and found to be sound, and may with advantage be used in the new Flagstaff. The rigging alone is quite useless and renders the present staff unsafe.

7. The design, however, not being approved of by me, I returned the same to the Acting District Engineer with the necessary instructions to enable him to furnish an improved design. Captain Stokoe has now forwarded a Plan and Estimate Rupees (1,800), one thousand and eight hundred, for a Flagstaff 110 feet in height, and solicits speedy sanction "as it is much required."

8. In my letter No. 7,788 of this day's date, I have shown how it is intended to provide funds for the construction of the Flagstaff, viz., from the Port does already authorized for expenditure on the Order of Government No. 2,201, 25th October 1860, and the sanction of Government is now solicited for the actual price of the revised Plan and Estimate Rupees (1,800) one thousand eight hundred, for the Flagstaff in lieu of that originally sanctioned at a cost of Rupees 570) five hundred and fifty.

9. A sketch is herewith sent showing the position of the old and proposed new Flagstaff.

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No. 221. ORDER THEREON, 22nd December 1860, No. 2687.

The Government sanction the immediate execution of the several Estimates amounting to Rupees 1,84,[illegible] and eight hundred and [illegible] as detailed in the letter, and Index of Contents, from the Fort St. George Chief Engineer, dated the 8th instant, No. [illegible] Rupees 2,500 being already sanctioned for the Cuddalore and Coringa Port Fund.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Acting Secretary to Government.

Fort St. George Office of Public Works
8th December 1860.

No. 1789

From

Lieutenant Colonel H. M. C. Crawley
Chief Engineer Dist.ts

To

J. D. Sim Esquire
Acting Secretary to Government &c.&c.
Lieutenant Garrge.

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Sir,

I have the honor to forward for the information of the Government in continuation of this Office No. 1785 dated 3rd December 1860 a detailed Estimate Rupees 1,84,[illegible] for completing the work of the Commodore Courtier, observed on Plan A. Some little more included on Plan for a Flagstaff which ought to be erected close to the Master Attendants Office. The timber and Rigging of the Steam Commodore Flagstaff have become unfit for use and are unsafe.

2 On recommending the accompanying detailed Estimate, Rupees 1,84,[illegible]

&c

at the same time, that the Lighter
was in very much want of repair.

6 The Captain Commdg has no
objection to the Lighter Mr Ogle, dated 5th
December 1859, to have the Standing of the
present Flagstaff so much raised, as
Captain Stokes and Mr Nolan the Engineer,
have under their circumstances recommended,
and it be done for the new Flagstaff.

7 The Chief Officer in a letter Mr 1188
dated 9th December 1859, has explained that
the Timber of the present Flagstaff has been
originally procured, and formed to the present,
and may with advantage be used in the
new Flagstaff, if the Engineer should
not require the present Standing Mast.

8 The Assistant Engineer, not being
afforded by me, of returning to the
the Acting District Engineer with the enquiry
instructions to enable him to furnish an
estimate. Captain Stokes has since
forwarded a Plan and Estimate Rupees
1,800, One Thousand and eight hundred, for a
Flagstaff 110 feet in height and efficient
Shady direction" as it is much required.

9 In my letter Mr 1188 of this

date

In the letter Mr 1188 dated 1st September 1859,
the same Plan Rupees 500 is entered for the
Flagstaff, as one of the improvements contemplated
in connection with the Commercial Establishment,
remark, that it was not specifically alluded to in
the covering letter, nor does it appear to have been
in any way commented on in the letter from the
Office of Government Mr 5299 dated 11th November
1858, forwarding the said Estimate for their sanction.

3 In a letter from this Office, Number,
Mr 3556, dated 29th July 1859, the Flagstaff
was recommended amongst other works for
immediate execution, and sanctioned by Government
for Rupees 551 in Para 4 on their order Mr 15078,
dated 13th August 1859, for entry on the Estimate
of the current official year.

Signal Flagstaff to show the Flag ... Time ball ... Barometer & Thermometer } 56

Rupees 551

4 In the letter Mr 156 dated 20th
May 1859 the Acting District Engineer of Port
Blair has sent, as he was directed, his estimate
the Flagstaff is to be made from plans, and is
only to be on the lower most part to which the
Iron Cap is to be on the lower most part of
the present Flagstaff will form the 1st and
the present Mast of the new one to be
omitted in Plan and Estimate on an Estimate
of the former, amounting to Rupees 551, and which,

as

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No. 2637.