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No. 38. Read the following letter from Captain J. H. RUNDALL, Consulting Engineer, Madras Irrigation and Canal Company; to the Secretary to Government, dated Kakinada, 9th February 1860, No. 44.

The Agent has forwarded to me copies of correspondence between the Company's Chief Engineer and the Deputy Collector of Cuddapah, in which the latter states that the acting Collector objects to the Chief Engineer drawing on his treasury in small amounts on account of the aggregate sum placed at his disposal on the ground that it would be converting the Government treasury into a private bank, involving an indulgence which would have to be granted to all others and creating duties for which the treasury establishment is inadequate.

2. I am not aware of the system pursued in the case of the Railway, but I would beg to recommend that an exception be made in favor of the Irrigation Company, as they already, the Agent states, pay half per cent. for the accommodation of a remittance to the district treasuries, while others only pay a fee of from 1 to 5 Rupees per bill.

3. If any additional trouble or superintendence will be occasioned by the proceeding, the Company might be asked to pay the expense attended on the employment of such clerical assistance as would be necessary.

4. The District of Kurnool being occasionally visited by bands of Rohillas, renders the transport of large sums in specie insecure. I would, therefore, suggest that permission be given for drafts being remitted to the táluq treasuries, and drawn therefrom as convenient.

No. 39. ORDER THEREON, 23rd February 1860, No. 398.

Referred to the Accountant General for report.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

No. 44

Kattinada 2/
9th February 1865

From

The Consulting Engineer
Madras Irrigation & Canal Company

To

The Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

The Agent has forwarded to me copies of correspondence between the Company's Chief Engineer and the Deputy Collector of Cuddapah in which the latter states that the acting Collector objects to the Chief Engineer drawing on his Treasury in small amounts on account of the aggregate sum placed at his disposal on the ground that it would be converting the Government Treasury into a private Bank & involving an indulgence which would have to be granted to all others and creating duties for which the Treasury establishment is inadequate.

2. I am not aware of the system pursued in the case of the Railways but I would beg to recommend that an exception be made in favor of the Irrigation Company, as the Agent states, pay that 5 per Cent for the accommodation of a remittance to the District

Treasuries while others only from 2 to 3 per Cent from 4 to 5 Per Cent for Bill_

5. If any additional Guarantee or Security should be required by the Proceedings the Company might be authorized to give the same be attended to the arrangement of such details as may be necessary_

4. The District of Assam not being occasionally visited by Bands of Plunderers renders the Guarantee of large Sums an object of Interest_ It would therefore suggest that Permission be given for Simple Coin remitted to the Calcutta Treasuries, such Sums being as convenient_

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
F. W. Russell Captain
Commanding Engineer
Madras Presidency & Canal Company

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P 97-1860 Despatch
Pro: of Govt 29 February
From Nº 463.

The Consulting Engineer
to the Hon. E. I. C. Company

To

The Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Dated 9th February 1860

Received

States that he is informed by the Agents of the Company that the Acting Collector of Customs objects to the Chief Engineer drawing on his Treasury in small sums, against the aggregate amount placed at his disposal, and recommending that an exception may be made in favor of the Company as they pay a premium of half per cent on their bills.

From the Accountant Genl. Dft 3 Invoices
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