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

No. 3. Read the following letter from Colonel J. H. BELL, Chief Engineer, to the Secretary to Government, dated 5th March 1860, No. 11,021 :—

With reference to the last paragraph of the Orders of Government of the 5th January last, No. 42, I have the honor to report that Mr. Gowdie's Accounts and Cash Chests were examined on the 10th April 1859, when they were stated to be all correct. The Officer (Captain Burn), then in charge of the Southern Executive Range in the Nellore District having been since transferred to Tanjore, the Engineer of that District was called upon to submit an explanation from Captain Burn as to the cause of the non-examination of Mr. Gowdie's Accounts and Cash Chests for a period of 4½ months.

1 Letter from District Engineer, Nellore, No. 106, dated 18th January 1860.
1 Do. from District Engineer, Tanjore, No. 320, dated 23rd February 1860, with 1 enclosure.

31st January 1860, No. 9802.

2. In his explanation Captain Burn states that after Mr. Gowdie's accounts were closed on the 30th April 1859, they were not opened again till the 22nd June following, and that they exhibit in the latter month an expenditure of but a few Rupees, so that there was no occasion for his inspection of the accounts for the period between their being closed and opened. As for not having examined them during the months of July and August, Captain Burn observes that he could have only done so by neglecting to inspect the accounts of other Overseers who were disbursing money to a much greater extent than the works under Mr. Gowdie demanded and which consisted of merely trifling repairs.

3. On the whole it appears that the very great extent of Captain Burn's Range, abounding with important works each of which, he states, he could not have visited more than once during the working season, and the comparatively unimportant nature of Mr. Gowdie's Range, were the chief causes which prevented the latter individual's Accounts and Cash Chests being inspected during the period above referred to.

No. 4.

ORDER THEREON, 21st March 1860, No. 600.

Ordered to be recorded.

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

Central Office of Public Works
Seppaham 5th March 1860.

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From,
The Chief Engineer
To,
The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department.

"Public"

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Enclosure 3.

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Your Most Obedient Servant
W. Bell Col.
Chief Engineer

Central Office of P.W.
Sépakham
5th March 1860.
L. L. Bell
Chief Engineer.

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No. of your 31st. March.
No. 605.

From the Chief Engineer
of the Secretary to Government
Castle Point Depot.

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1. M. M. M.
2. E. C. W. D. D. D.
10. May 1862.

With reference to the
orders of Government of the
5th January last 1862,
reports upon the accounts
and Cash Books of the
All's Goods were examined
prior to the date of the
so called robbery.

No. 147.

March 1862.

Charles J. D. D. D.
21st March 1862.