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

No. 69. Read the following letter from Colonel J. H. BELL, Chief Engineer, to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated Chepauk, 17th March 1860, No. 11,447:—

With reference to the Proceedings of Government, dated 3rd January 1860, No. 10, I have the honor to forward herewith the letters marginally noted, 25th January 1860, No. 430. received from the District Engineer of the Godavery District, 2nd March " " 192. from which it will be observed that Mr. Moncrieff, Superintendent of the Dowlaishwaram Workshop, has occupied Doctor Jackson's house from the 1st April 1858, prior to which, it appears, that the house was rented by several Sapper Officers, as well as by Doctor Forrester.

2. From the 1st April 1858 to the 30th November 1859, a period of 20 months, a sum of Rupees 600 was due to Doctor Jackson, at the rate of 30 Rupees per mensem, which was the rent agreed to. Out of this amount, Mr. Moncrieff found it necessary to expend Rupees 302-2-8 in repairs, and the balance, Rupees 297-13-4, was placed to Doctor Jackson's credit in the Oriental Bank of Madras on the 4th November last. Doctor Jackson was duly furnished, in 1858, by Mr. Moncrieff, with a statement shewing the cost of repairs, the receipt of which was acknowledged.

3. Before occupying the building in question, Mr. Moncrieff obtained Doctor Jackson's permission to put on a new grass roof and to make the necessary repairs. The money required for the purpose, viz. Rupees 302-2-8, was advanced by Mr. Moncrieff and deducted from the rent of the house as above stated.

4. It does not appear that any promise was made to Doctor Jackson that his premises would be purchased by Government, though it was originally considered expedient to secure the same in connexion with the arrangements then in contemplation for placing the Dowlaishwaram Workshop on an efficient footing. Now that the Workshops are to be removed to another site, that necessity no longer exists, and I do not, therefore, recommend the purchase as far as the Workshops are concerned, though, situated as Doctor Jackson's house is, close on the river bank and in the immediate vicinity of the Anicut, it is important, in my opinion, that Government should possess both this property, and the one adjoining, belonging, it is believed, to Major General F. Cotton. Under any circumstances, a right of way along the river bank should be thoroughly established.

5. I have called upon the District Engineer, Godavery, for a valuation Estimate for each building and requested him to state to what purpose they could be turned, should the Government agree to purchase them.

No. 70. ORDER THEREON, 4th April 1860, No. 709.

1. Copy of this correspondence will be transmitted to Doctor Jackson with reference to his letter of the 17th November 1859.

2. The Government do not consider Mr. Moncrieff's explanation of his omission to pay rent for twenty months to be satisfactory.

3. The Chief Engineer will report again after he shall have ascertained the proper value of these premises and those adjoining.

4. He will also be requested to take the necessary means to ascertain what Officers occupied Doctor Jackson's house prior to April 1st 1858, and whether any rent is due from them.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,

Secretary to Government.

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Central Office P.W.
 Sipakham
 17th March 1860

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

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Central Office
17th March 1860

Your most obedient Servant

W. R. Major
Deputy Chief Engineer
Northern Circle

W. R. Colonel
Chief Engineer

To The Secretary to Government
P. W. S.

W. R. Major

