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

No 15. Read the following letter from Colonel J. H. BELL, Chief Engineer, to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated Chepauk, 21st March 1860, No. 11,555:—

With reference to the Orders quoted in the margin, I have the honor to submit a letter from the District Engineer of Salem, dated 5th instant, No. 964, offering certain explanations in regard to the Jail and Court-houses under construction at that station.

2. I do not concur in Captain Gahagan's assertion of the very good progress of the latter buildings,* and my opinion of the necessity of

Paragraph 4.
* Sanctioned 28th August 1857.
† Letter No. 9,360, dated 20th January 1860, paragraph 4.

executing such very costly work has been already reported.†

3. As regards Mr. Macfarlane, however, I think that if the Government will take into consideration the fact that he acted under the control of a superior Officer who expressly exonerates him from all blame except that of erroneous calculation, the order prohibiting his being employed in the Public Works Department in any capacity will appear to them more severe than the circumstances call for, and I would support the District Engineer's request that he may be relieved from this sentence of general exclusion, though I cannot recommend his re-employment on the buildings on which he has shown so much miscalculation.

No. 16. ORDER THEREON, 12th April 1860, No. 731.

1. Under the decided opinion expressed in the fifth paragraph of the District Engineer's letter, the Government resolve to cancel paragraph 4 of the Order of February 24th, No. 402, and to exonerate Mr. Macfarlane from blame except as respects the calculations for the supplemental Estimate. They will leave to the decision of the Chief Engineer the question of his further employment either on these works or on any other.

2. As respects the rate of progress of the work, the Government fully agree with Colonel Bell; but it appears from Captain Gahagan's explanation (paragraph 3) that the argument of the first part of paragraph 3 of the Order above quoted, was based on a mistake of the facts.

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

Chief Engineer
Central Office of P.W.
S. P. K. K. K.
21 March 1860

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W. L. L. Colonel
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To

The Secretary to Government.

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