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No. 5. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. BELL, Chief Engineer; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated 24th December 1859, No. 8691.

1 Letter from the District Engineer Tanjúr, dated 26th November 1859 No. 225, with 2 statements.

With reference to paragraph 4 of the Proceedings of Government No. 2582, dated 3rd November 1859, I have the honor to forward the accompanying original letter from the District Engineer Tanjúr, No. 225, dated 26th November 1859.

2. The discrepancy of Rupees 1-10-8 between the amounts paid by Mr. Maitland and those remitted by Captain Phillpotts on account of the family remittances (from 21st July to 20th August) of the bricklayers who went to Ceylon this year was caused by an error in the list despatched from the District Engineer's office, wherein the family remittance of 4th class bricklayer Narrainan No. 61, was entered as Rupees 5, instead of Rupees 15 which is the correct amount. Consequent on this error in the list, Captain Phillpotts only remitted the amount entered, while the larger sum was paid to the bricklayer's sister; but as the bricklayer himself no doubt received the full amount of his pay minus 5 Rupees only, the excess paid to his sister has been recovered from her. This accounts for a sum of Rupees 10 paid in excess by the District Engineer; but if from this be deducted Rupees 8-5-4, the sums due to certain deceased bricklayers remitted by Captain Phillpotts; (but not included in the District Engineer's accounts) the discrepancy of Rupees 1-10-8 will be satisfactorily cleared up.

3. Captain Oakes observes with reference to this difference, that similar discrepancies will be unavoidable between his and Captain Phillpotts' accounts, since the balances due to the deceased workmen are included in the latter, which is not the case in his own statements; but after the final payment of these balances to the families of the deceased bricklayers are made, on the receipt of the necessary information from Ceylon, both accounts will at once correspond. For instance, the remittances from 21st August to 20th September last (given in detail in Proceedings of Government No. 123, dated 14th November 1859), amounted to Rupees 1,292-13-4, while the aggregate sum paid by Mr. Maitland was Rupees 1,263-13-4, shewing a difference of Rupees 29, which is accounted for as follows:—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Amount disbursed by Mr. Maitland.....	1,263	13	4
Amount remitted by Captain Phillpotts on account of balances due to deceased workmen, but not included in the District Engineer's accounts.	38	2	8
Nett difference between the disbursements of Mr. Maitland and the sums remitted by Captain Phillpotts, on account of remittances for odd days to families of deceased bricklayers.....	0	13	4
Total Rupees...	1,302	13	4
Deduct excess paid to the sister of bricklayer Narrainan above mentioned.....	10	0	0
Balance Rupees...	1,292	13	4

which is the aggregate of the amounts entered in Captain Phillpotts' statements.

4. The District Engineer brings to notice the following errors in regard to the individuals reported by Captain Phillpotts to have died in Ceylon. In Captain Phillpotts' list printed in the Proceedings of Government No. 2582, dated 3rd November 1859, Bricklayer Narrainen, No. 38 is stated to have died, but another bearing the same name numbered 43 is reported to be the deceased individual. Again in Captain Phillpotts' statement, printed in the Proceedings of Government No. 123, dated 14th November 1859, Bricklayer Mootoosawmy, No. 49 is stated to be dead, but the proper person is another of the same name numbered 50 in the list.

5. With regard to the last mentioned individual (Mootoosawmy) Captain Oakes observes, that after he had received his advance, he absconded, and that the maistry engaged another named Soobaroyen (now dead) to personate Mootoosawmy. The deception, however, having been detected, the maistry has been compelled to pay to the family of the deceased, the advance received on account of Mootoosawmy as well as the family remittances received by the latter.

6. In Captain Phillpotts' letter No. 116, dated 23rd September 1859, Rupees 5,430-8-0 is stated to be the sum claimed by the Madras Government for expenses incurred in sending bricklayers, &c. to Ceylon in June last, whereas the correct amount claimed is only Rupees 5,120-8-0, or 1£ less than that remitted, as per statement submitted with my letter to Government No. 5639, dated 30th September 1859.

7. In conclusion, I beg to state that the District Engineer in reply to his enquiry regarding the sum of Rupees 8-5-4, alluded to in paragraph 2, has been instructed to disburse the amount to the families of the deceased bricklayers.

No. 6. ORDER THEREON, 11th January 1860, No. 85.

1. The Government understand from this communication that the discrepancy noticed in paragraph 4 of the order of the 3rd November 1859 No. 2582 between the amount disbursed by the District Engineer of Tanjúr and that remitted by the Ceylon Government on account of the families of the bricklayers employed at Batticalao, is adjusted, and that no further orders are necessary.

2. The errors pointed out in paragraph 4 will be brought to the notice of the Ceylon Government.

3. The excess of 10 Rupees in the remittance from the Ceylon Government mentioned in paragraph 6 will be credited to that Government and intimation made accordingly.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

No. 7. Ordered in consequence that the following letter be despatched.

From T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George; to the Colonial Secretary at Columbo, dated 11th January 1860, No. 86.

Order 3rd November 1859 No. 2582 paragraph 4.
From Chief Engineer 24th December 1859 No. 8694 with enclosure.
Order thereon

Paragraph 1. Withreference to your letter of the 12th October 1859 No. 60 I have the honor to forward the papers noted in the margin and to solicit attention to paragraph 4 of the Chief Engineer's letter pointing out certain errors in regard to the artizans reported by Captain Phillpotts to have died in Ceylon.

2. The amount reported in paragraph 6 to have been over-remitted has been ordered to be credited to the Ceylon Government.

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Central Office of C.W.
Fort St. George
24th December 1859.

No. 8694

From,
The Chief Engineer

Public

To,
The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department.

Sir,

Enclosures 3.
1 Letter from the Dist. Engr. Tanjore dated 26th November 1859 No. 225 with 2 Statements.

With reference to para 4 of the Proceedings of Government No. 2582 dated 3d November 1859, I have the honor to forward the accompanying original letter from the District Engineer Tanjore No. 225 dated 26th November 1859.

2. The discrepancy of Rupees 1-10-8 between the amounts paid by Mr. Maitland and those remitted by Captain Phillpotts on account of the Family remittances from 21st July to

to 20th August / of the Bricklayers who went to Ceylon this year was caused by an error in the List despatched from the District Engineers Office; wherein the Family Remittance of the 1st Class Bricklayer Narrainan No. 61 was entered as Rupees 5, instead of Rupees 15 which is the correct amount. Consequent on this error in the list, Captain Philpotts only remitted the amount entered, while the larger sum was paid to the Bricklayers Order; but as the Bricklayer himself no doubt received the full amount of his pay minus 5 Rupees only, the excess paid to his Sister has been recovered from her. This accounts for a sum of Rupees 10 paid in excess by the District Engineer; but if from this be deducted Rupees 8-5-4 the sums due to certain deceased Bricklayers remitted by Captain Philpotts, / but not included in the District Engineers accounts / the discrepancy

discrepancy of Rupees 1-10-8 will be satisfactorily cleared up.

3. Captain Oates observes with reference to this difference, that similar discrepancies will be unavoidable between his and Captain Philpotts accounts, since the balances due to the deceased workmen are included in the latter, which is not the case in his own Statements; but after the final payment of these balances to the families of the deceased Bricklayers are made, on the receipt of the necessary information from Ceylon, both accounts will at once correspond. For instance the remittances from 21st August to 20th September last / given in detail in Proceedings of Government No. 123 dated 14th November 1865 / amounted to Rupees 1262-13-4 while the aggregate sum paid by Mr. Maitland was Rupees 1263-13-4 shewing a difference of Rupees 29 which

is

is accounted for as follows :-

Amount disbursed by Mr. Maitland -- 1263-13-4

Amount remitted by Captain Phillpotts on account of balances due to deceased workmen, but not included in the District Engineer's accounts ------ 38-2-8

Nett difference between the disbursements of Mr. Maitland and the sums remitted by Captain Phillpotts on account of remittances for odd days to Families of deceased Bricklayers ------ " -13-4

Total Rupees 1302-13-4

Deduct excess paid to the Sister of Bricklayer Narrainen above mentioned ------ 10-0-"

Balance Rupees 1292-13-4

which is the aggregate of the amounts entered in Captain Phillpotts Statements 4.

The District Engineer has to notice the following errors in regard to the individuals reported by Captain Phillpotts to have died in Ceylon. In Captain Phillpotts List printed in the Proceedings of Government No 2582 dated 3d March 1859 Bricklayer Narrainen No 38 is stated to have died; but another bearing the same name numbered 43 is reported to be the deceased individual - again in Captain Phillpotts Statement printed in the Proceedings of Government No 123, dated 16 November 1859, Bricklayer Moottoosamy No 49 is stated to be dead; but the proper person is another of the same name numbered 50 in the List.-

5. With regard to the last mentioned individual Moottoosamy / Captain Oakes observes, that after he had received his advance, he absconded, and that the Maistry engaged another named Soobaroyen / now dead / to personate Moottoosamy - The deception however having been detected, the Maistry has been compelled to pay to the family of the deceased, the advance received on account of Moottoosamy as well as the family remittances received by the latter -

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Government for expences incurred in sending
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5,420-8- or 1£ less than that remitted, as
per Statement submitted with my letter to
Government No 5139 dated 30th September 1859.

2. In conclusion I beg to state that
the District Engineer in reply to his enquiry
regarding the sum of Rupees 8-5-4 alluded
to in para 2 has been instructed to disburse
the amount to the families of the deceased
Bricklayers.

Central Office of P.W.
Fort St. George
24th December 1859

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obt Servant
J M Dell Lieut Colonel
Chief Engineer

W. B. Lieut Col
Sr Chief Engr &c.

To. The Secretary to Government
P. W. D.

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№ 85.

Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 11th January
Read the following letter
from the Chief Engineer.

Forwarding an original letter
from the District Engineer of Tan-
jore, relative to a discrepancy
between the amounts paid by Lieut.
Maitland and those remitted
by Captain Philpotts on account
of Family Remittances made
to Bricklayers who went
to Ceylon.

The Government Com-
mand from their communi-
cation that the discre-
pancy noticed in a Pay
of the order of the 2nd Class
for 1859 of Rs 23-12 between the
amount debited by the
District Engineer of Tan-
jore and that remitted
to the Ceylon Government
on account of the families
of the Bricklayers employed
on the Batticaloa Breakwater
and that no further re-
ports are necessary.

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From
The Chief Engineer
To
The Secretary to Government
P. W. D.

Dated 24th December 1859.
Rec'd
№ 8694
Ans. 25-1-60

Forwarding an original letter from the District Engineer of Tanjore relative to a discrepancy between the accounts paid by Mr. Maitland and those remitted by Captain Philpotts on account of Family Remittances made to Bricklayers who went to Ceylon.

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2. The errors pointed out in para 4 will be brought to the notice of the Ceylon Government.

3. The excess of 10 Rs in the remittance from the Ceylon Government mentioned in para 6 will be credited to that Government and intimation made accordingly.

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10 Copies to the Chief Engr Dated 12th
1 —"— Accountant Genl
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Dd 14th January 1860.

Respecting certain discrepancy between the amount disbursed and that remitted on account of the families of the Bricklayers employed at Patticulao.

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