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No. 308. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel W. H. HORSLEY, Chief Engineer, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated Chepauk, 6th August 1861, No. 3,604:—

SIR,

1. In Proceedings of the 9th March last, No. 473, Government sanctioned, agreeably to the recommendation of the District Engineer Godavery, the sale of four unserviceable steam boats. Subsequently, on the 10th May, the District Engineer applied again for the sale of four boats, and by a mistake of the Deputy Chief Engineer Northern Circle, they were supposed to be the identical four boats whose sale had been previously sanctioned, and he sent the necessary permission to the District Engineer accordingly. Meanwhile, the District Engineer reported regarding two more boats in two separate letters written on the same date, and by a clerical error repeated the number in each case as two, instead of two and twenty. For the sale of one of these permission was erroneously given, and the other the District Engineer sold by auction in anticipation of sanction, as the boat, being at the time partly sunk in the river, would have been lost altogether after the freshes, which were near at hand, had risen.

2. In the order above quoted, Government directed the Accountant General, in connexion with myself, to report as to the necessity or otherwise for submitting to Government every proposal relative to the sale of unserviceable stores. The result of that report has not yet been communicated, but I would mention here, that the Accountant General entirely coincided with me in opinion that the practice which was in vogue in other Departments of disposing of unserviceable stores without special reference to Government, should be extended to this Department also.

3. I have the honor, therefore, to request that sanction may be granted for the sale of the six unserviceable boats above mentioned, and that, if the opinion of the Accountant General has been laid before Government, I may be furnished with final orders thereon for future guidance.

No. 309. ORDER THEREON, 20th August 1861, No. 1,580.

1. Sanction is granted for the sale of the six unserviceable stone* boats referred to in this letter.

* N. B.—The designation "steam boats" in paragraph 1 is evidently a clerical error.

2. As to the latter part of paragraph 3, the Chief Engineer is referred to the Order of Government of the 3rd instant, No. 1,448. Colonel Horsley will be requested to state whether steamers also are entered in the books of the District under the head "stores."

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

Central Office of Public Works.

Chepauk 6th August 1861

No 3604

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From,

Lieutenant Colonel W. A. Worsley,

Chief Engineer D. P. W.

To,

J. D. Sim Esqre

Secretary to Government P. W. D.

Fort St. George.

Sir,

In Proceedings of the 9th March last No 473, Government Sanctioned, agreeably to the recommendation of the District Engineer Godavery, the Sale of 4 unserviceable Steam Boats. Subsequently, on the 10th May, the District Engineer applied again for the Sale of 4 Boats, and by a mistake of the Deputy Chief Engineer Northern Circle, they were supposed to be the identical 4 Boats whose Sale had been previously Sanctioned, and he sent the necessary permission to the District Engineer accordingly.

Meanwhile

meanwhile, the District Engineer reported regarding 2 more boats in two separate letters written on the same date, and by a clerical error repeated the number in each case as 2, instead of 2 and 20. For the sale of one of these permission was erroneously given, and the other the District Engineer sold by auction in anticipation of sanction, as the boat, being at the time partly sunk in the River, would have been lost altogether after the Freshes, which were near at hand, had risen.

2. In the order above quoted, Government directed the Accountant General, in connexion with myself, to report as to the necessity or otherwise for submitting to Government every proposal relative to the Sale of unserviceable Stores. The result of that Report has not yet been communicated, but I would mention here, that the Accountant General entirely coincided with me in opinion that the practice which was in vogue in other Departments of disposing of unserviceable Stores without special reference to Government, should be extended to this Department also.

3. I have the honor, therefore, to request that sanction may be granted for the Sale of the 6 unserviceable Boats above mentioned, and that, if the opinion of the Accountant General has been laid before Government, I may be furnished with final orders thereon for future guidance.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obed.t Servant

Central Office P.W.
Chepauk 6th August 61
E.W.E. Captain
Aff.g Chief Engr. N.C.

Lieutt Colonel
Chief Engineer D.P.W.

To,
J.D. Sim Esqre
Secretary to Government P.W.D.
Fort St. George.

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From
Lieut Coll W H Horsley
Chief Engineer D P W
To J D Sim Esqre
Secy to Govt P W D
Fort St George

Dated 6th
Recd 7th } August 1861

N° 3604

Requests permission to sell 6 Boats reported by the District Engineer Godavery to be unserviceable in his District

With an order N° 1580 - 20th Augt

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Sanction is granted for the sale of the six unserviceable Stone Boats referred to in this letter

NB. The description "Steam boats" in para 1 is evidently a clerical error.

As to the latter part of para 3, the Chief Engr is referred to the order of Govt of the 3rd instant N° 1448. Colo Horsley will be requested to state whether Steamers also are entered in the Books of the District under the head Stores

From W Govt
20th augt 1861.
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Chief Engr Cuddr 21st

3 Acctt General