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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 7th June 1862.

No. 152. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. OUCHTERLONY, Acting Deputy Chief Engineer, Central Circle, to Lieutenant-Colonel W. H. HORSLEY, Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Chepauk, 22nd May 1862, No. 858:—

SIR,

1. Adverting to paragraph 2 of G. O. No. 2,305, dated 13th December 1861, I have the honor to submit for the information of Government some correspondence on the subject of some bad bricks which it appears were carted away from a piece of ground where they had been made by Convicts, under pressure of a demand for rent from the owner. No doubt some of these bricks might have been left where they were, though even then it is a question whether the tenant or owner of the brickfield, might not have insisted on their removal.

1 Letter from the Acting District Engineer Madras, No. 1,540, dated 23rd December 1861, with two enclosures.
1 Do. No. 36, dated 3rd May 1862.

2. There appears however to have been no *malus animus* in the transaction on the part of any one, and as it appears by Captain Moberly's letter No. 36, dated 3rd May 1862, that there has been a clear pecuniary gain to Government of Rupees 31-2-0 besides the acquisition of 17 thousand good bricks used in work, it does not appear to me necessary to take any further action in the matter, which has already consumed much valuable time.

No. 153. ORDER THEREON, 7th June 1862, No. 1,292.

1. Ordered to be recorded.

2. The attention of the Acting Deputy Chief Engineer, Central Circle, is called to paragraph 5 of the Orders of Government No. 2,305, dated 13th December 1861, requesting the submission of a "brief report at the end of the year" to show what had been done in consequence of Colonel Boileau's reports on the North Arcot and Madras Districts.

(Signed) W. H. HORSLEY, Lieut.-Colonel,
Secretary to Government.

Who was under my orders then.—

I beg to remain
Sir
Your most Obed.t Serv.t
Edw.d Linn
Sub Overseer.

Bro.t
13th Dec.r 61

Poonamallee
6th December 1861

No. 82.

To
J. H. Dopping Esq.re
Civil Engineer

Sir

In reply to your Memo No. 580 of 2d Inst.t accompanying Extract of Proceedings of the Chief Engineer of 23d November last, I most respectfully beg to submit an history as far as my knowledge extends

Bricks were made and burnt by Convicts and occasionally by Coolies under the orders of Mr. W. Dowdeswell Secessions Judge, and Superintendance of Jail Servants, Such as Duffadars, Peons, &c and occasionally by Ryots.

Bricks were Carted for the Jail work by Order of Mr. D. Leslie, at the time I was engaged in the Irrigation works, I was told, he paid only for good materials, rejecting unburnt Bricks.

After a time I may have ordered the Prisoners to Collect Bricks of a bad quality (but the authority I do not now recollect) and form them into a heap, which were rejected as being useless for building purposes, lying scattered in different places.

I beg to remain
Sir
your most Obt. Servant

V. Kistniah
Sub Overseer
in charge of T. Road No 4

1st From
C. Purnea Pillai
To
The Asst Engineer
in charge of
Chingleput Division

Dated 13th Decr 61.
Rec.d 14th do

Report upon the
Bricks prepared at
Chingleput by Order
of the Govt

No 1355/58

To Govt 22 Nov.r 858

Madras Divisional Engineers Office
Guindy 27th December 1869

No 1520

From

W. Dorping Esqr CE

In charge of the Madras District

To

Lieut Colonel A Borlase

Deputy Chief Engineer Circle

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer No 8520 of the 18th Instant and to inform you with reference to para 2 of the order of Government No 2305 of the 13th Instant that on my first visit to the Chingleput Jail I had myself remarked upon the badness of the bricks and wrote to refer you to the observations made in my Inspection (Report) for the month of October last of which the 29th October 69 since then and more particularly since the receipt of Proceedings of the Chief Engineer No 7552 of the 23rd November 69 referring to your tour in this District I have been endeavouring to ascertain who was the person through whose fault the bad bricks were allowed to be carted to the Chingleput Jail and from what I can gather from the letters herewith enclosed numbered as per margin, they were made under the orders of the late Judge Superintended by temporary Sub Overseer (then Pycust) Krishnah but he was under the orders of Sub Overseer D'Lima.

From Mr D'Lima Sub Overseer of 13th December 69 No 82 of the Distt from S D Krishnah at Chingleput

2 The one throws the blame upon the other and the other back upon the one so that indeed it is hard to say who really is the more to blame.

From
W. Pattinson
Asst Overseer

To
W. Dorping Esqr
Civil Engineer

Dated 27th December 1869

Received 28th Dec

Entry of Brick Cart for the Jail Quarter

Chingleput

3 With regard to Para 3 of the order of Government they say that nothing could have been done before the end of the present month as Mr Wakefield had been for a time under orders for the Mauritius, as however this movement has been Cancelled and as Clan about to send a Second Sub Overseer to the Madras Side to assist Mr Wakefield I hope the month of January will shew some thing done.

4 There are so many projects on hands just at present that I fear the Major Anicut as proposed by you must remain unattended to until the Estimates &c have been completed for the others.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant

J. Caldwell Lieut

In charge of the Madras Dist.

No. 36

Madras Distt. Engr. Office
Guindy 5th May 1862

From
Captain Jr. J. Maberly
Jr Distt. Engr. of Madras

To
Lieut. Colonel J. Carpendale
&c &c Chief Engineer &c

Sir,

In reply to your No. 12153 of 1st April, I have the honor to report that, as far as I can discover from the records the bricks were given to the Department by the Judge at Chingleput on condition of our removing them from the ground, for the rent of which he was paying 25 Rs. per Annum.

The carriage of 63200 Cost 21-10-6
17000 were used & 16200 were sold for 57-4-0
from which must be deducted
Cost of Selection ..... 4-7-6 } 52-12-6
leaving a recovery of .....
and a clear profit of 31-2-0
besides 17000 bricks used.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedt. Servant
J. Maberly Captn
Jr Distt Engr of Madras

No. 1555 of 62

From
The Civil Engineer
in charge of the
Trichinopoly Division

To
The Chief Engineer
&c &c &c

Dated 23rd & Received 27th
May 1862

Subject
Report on the Bricks
at Chingleput

Sir

I have the honor to forward herewith a Report from Captain Maberly Jr Dist. Engr. of Madras, on the Bricks at Chingleput.

I have &c
(Signed) J. Caldwell Lieut
In charge of the Trichinopoly Dist.

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R. Civil Engineers Office
Central Circle
Chehunko
No 858 22nd May 1862

From
Lieutenant Colonel R. Auchterlony
Dy. Deputy Chief Engineer
C.C.

To
Lieutenant Colonel H. Mawbey
Secretary to Government
Public Works Department

Sir,

Adverting to Para 2 of Sr. C.E. No 2305 dated 13th December 1861, I have the honor to submit for the information of Government Same Correspondence on the subject of Some Sad Khuds within Jaghears were Carried away from a piece of ground where they had been made by Convicts, under the direction of Ex Kotwal Ram Dass Pandit the owner. No doubt Some of these Khuds might have been left unfilled they were Caught even then it is a question whether this Kotwal or owner of the Khuds filled up might not have insisted on their removal

Govt Dept
858 - 22 May 62

From Secretary Govt
Madras
To
Secretary Govt
Bombay
Dated 30th May 1862
Rec'd 5th June
No. 436
Regarding Khuds filled
Bellary Cuddapah & Kistna Districts
Enclosure.

No. 1555/62
Cuddapah
150

2 There appears however to have been no malus animus in the transaction on the part of any one, and as it appears by Captain Moberly's letter N° 36 dated 3rd May 1862 that there has been a clear pecuniary gain to Government of £ 31-2- besides the acquisition of 17 thousand good bricks used in works, it does not appear to me necessary to take any further action in the matter, which has already consumed much valuable time.

2nd Chief Engr's Office
Central Circle
Chapauk
29 May 1862

I have the honor to be Sir
Your obedient servant
Auchterlony Lieut. R.E.
Offg. Deputy Chief Engineer
C.C.

To
Lieutenant Colonel W. H. Horsley
Secretary to Government
Public Works Department

13th Dec. 1861 No. 188-189

Prov. Dn. Chief Engr. for Lands
No. 1355

From
The Asst. Dy. Chief Engr. &c.
To
The Secretary to
Government N.W.P.

Dated 22
Recd. 23 } May 1862
No. 858

Forwards some correspondence on the subject of some bad bricks stated to have been carted away for the Chunglepet Jail Work.

No. 152-153

William Arden

No. 1292 - 7th June.

No. 1292 [illegible]

Ordered to be recorded.

The attention of the Acting Deputy Chief Engineer Central Circle is called to para 5 of the Orders of Government No. 2305, dated 13th December 1861, requesting the submission of a "brief report at the end of the year" to show what had been done in consequence of Colonel Baikie's reports on the North Arcot & Madras Districts.

13 Capt. Chapman
to 7th June 1862
Nov. A.D.C. Chief Engr. & Comm. Disp. Dept
No. 87