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1st November 1862.*

No. 27. Read the following Endorsement of the Deputy Chief Engineer, Southern Circle, dated Ootacamund, 22nd October 1862, No. 65 :—

Read the following letter from Captain T. E. GAHAGAN, District Engineer of Salem, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. OUCHTERLONY, R. E., Deputy Chief Engineer, Southern Circle, dated Palakode, 16th October 1862, No. 114.

SIR,

I have the honor to forward the accompanying original report, under date the 13th instant, from Acting Overseer Barringer to Captain Clay, of damage done by heavy rain in the Oosoor Taluq.

From Mr. J. P. BARRINGER, Overseer, to Captain A. D. CLAY, Assistant District Engineer dated Oosoor, 13th October 1862.

SIR,

1. I beg to inform you that on Sunday the 12th instant, the water in the Oosoor large tank rose 8 feet in 12 hours, and at 10 A. M. was within three inches of going over the bund, and after consulting with the Sub-Collector (under whose orders I acted) I removed the four-vent culvert on the east end of the tank and also two three-vents on the west side. I believe this to have been perfectly necessary as the surplus water of eight tanks (one of which is breached) came into this (the Oosoor Tank), and the outlet of seven four-feet vents was quite insufficient to allow the surplus water to be carried off. I had to employ coolies both day and night to remove these obstructions.

2. I also beg to report the undermentioned breaches, &c. in the Oosoor Taluq* :—

* During the last 4 days.

(1.) The Chendrumputty Chinna Anicut totally destroyed.

(2.) The work done by Sub-Overseer Mooneappah Mudali last year to the Allalum Anicut, washed away.

† Of Trunk Road No. 1. (Sd) T. E. G.

(3.) Three culverts and a portion of the road in the 190th mile† washed away, but have since been replaced.

(4.) The China Oobanoor Tank breached and the whole of the water escaped.

(5.) The Cooputty Tank ditto.

‡ Sankumaran. (Sd.) T. E. G.

(6.) The *Senaduomarden*† river Anicut half washed away.

(7.) The 4th mile between Denkenecottah and Tully washed away, traffic stopped.

(8.) In the 12th mile between Oosoor and Tully a culvert washed away, road very bad.

(9.) In the 3rd mile on the Attapelly and Muddagberry road a timber bridge totally destroyed, and road very bad, traffic stopped.

(10.) In the 7th mile of the Oosoor and Denkenecottah, the road washed away and very bad.

(11.) In the 4th and 5th mile of the Mudgherry and Killamungalum road the road washed away.

(12.) Three huts at the Sepoys' Lines at the Remount Depot fallen in.

(13.) Nearly all the inclines of Trunk Road No. 1. very much cut up.

(14.) About 8 miles of the Palcode road in very bad order, and will take fully Rupees 100 per mile to put it in good order.

(15.) A large portion of the Tully road has just been washed away, in front of the Oosoor large tank.

(16.) The rain during the last week has been something extraordinary; people that have resided here for the last 30 years say they never saw anything to equal it.

† Bagaldr a town about 13 miles to the north of Oosoor. (Sd.) T. E. G.

(17.) The traffic on the *Bargaloret*† road is stopped owing to the quantity of water in the river (9 feet in the centre).

No. 17. Have since been replaced

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1st November 1862.

1 Original letter No. 114, dated 16th October 1862, with one enclosure.

Submitted for the information of Government.

(Signed) J. OUCHTERLONEY, Lieutenant-Colonel, R. E.,
Deputy Chief Engineer, Southern Circle.

No. 28. ORDER THEREON, 1st November 1862, No. 2,619.

The Government would wish to be informed of the probable cost of repairing the various works damaged in the Salem District.

(Signed) W. I. BIRDWOOD, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

Recd Oct 14/62
received
Oct 16/62
To

Captain A. D. Clay
Assistant District Engineer

Bosson
13th October/62

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2 - I also beg to report the undermentioned breaches in the Bosson Talook.

1 - The Chendurampatty Chinnam Arment totally destroyed.

2 - The work done by Sub-Bosson Mooneapah Broadly last year to the Allalum Arment, washed away.

3 - Three Culverts & a portion of the road of Bank Road in the 190th mile washed away, but have since been replaced.

* During the last 4 days

No 23 Self No 65.

Southern Circle D. P. W.
Salem District.

Incident in a letter No.
114 of the 16th October/12

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Report from the following over:
Messrs. Barringer re:
Shifting the damages
done by heavy rain
in the main sluice
during the month of October
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Salem District

District Engineer's Office
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Captain T. C. Gahagan Engineer of Salem
District
Lieut. Col. J. A. Barringer Deputy Engineer of Salem
District

Enclosure 1.

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I have
T. C. Gahagan Esq
District Engineer

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Archibald H. Blair
Deputy Chief Engr. &c

To Colonel W. S. Birdwood R.E.
Secretary to Government P.W.
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From the
District Engineer

W. C. C. C.

is the
District Civil Engineer

Dr. Nathan Cooke & A. P. M.

To Mr. J. H. Johnson

Letter 18 - October
Dec 21st } 1862

Decline

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