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No. 384. Read the following Endorsement of the Superintending Engineer 5th Division, dated 9th June 1863, No. 124 :—

Read the following letter from Captain T. E. GAHAGAN, District Engineer of Salem, to Lieutenant-Colonel H. W. HITCHINS, Superintending Engineer 5th Division, dated Salem, 3rd June 1863, No. 18.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to bring to your notice that funds for the current month's expenditure have not yet been placed at my disposal.

2. My indent for the current month was despatched to you on the 15th ultimo.

3. As cheques cannot be cashed in the Taluqs after the 27th, and our cash balances in hand at the close of the month have to be kept down as much as possible, it follows that a great many calls for money are made in the first week of every month; but cheques cannot be issued for these, until it is known that funds are available to meet them.

4. Last month, owing to funds from the "Imperial" allotment not being placed at my disposal until nearly the *middle* of the month, I had to borrow from the District Conservancy Funds to prevent "Imperial" works being stopped, and have now to borrow again for the same reason. This practice of borrowing tends to create mistakes and confusion in the accounts of my Subordinates, and I should therefore be very glad to be able to do without it.

Submitted to Government for their information.

(Signed) H. W. HITCHINS, Lieutenant-Colonel, R. E.,  
Superintending Engineer 5th Division.

No. 385. ORDER THEREON, 16th June 1863, No. 1,571.

Referred to the Accountant General for report as to the cause of the delay complained of by the District Engineer.

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

70 1/2<sup>th</sup> Division D. M. W.  
70 W. of Coates for June  
Jalem District

From,  
The District Engineer  
of Salem

The Superintending Engineer  
5<sup>th</sup> Division S. H.  
Bussalore

№ 18

Dated 3<sup>d</sup> June }  
Rev<sup>d</sup> 8 June } 1863.

" 1571-16<sup>th</sup> June.

Bringing to notice that funds for expenditure in the current month from the "Imperial" allotment have not yet been placed at the District Engineer's disposal.

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for present as to the cause of the delay complained

Dr. J. W. L. General S. Wright. 16 June. 1863. {  
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