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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
6th January 1864.*

No. 79. Read the following letter from Captain O. W. S. CHAMBERS, R. E., Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Waltair, 15th December 1863, No. 1,947 :—

SIR,

1. Enclosed is submitted for the orders of Government an original letter* from Major Stoddard, late District Engineer Godavery, and a bill for the repairs of a paddle-boat amounting to Rupees 258 12-10.

* No. 243 of 7th December 1863.

2. This boat, one of two, was repaired for the Police of the Rajahmundry Collectorate, but rejected by them as unserviceable.

3. Major Stoddard in his letter† to the late Deputy Chief Engineer, Northern Circle, copy of which is attached, showed that the Police were probably mistaken in their opinion of her.

† No. 1,165 of 27th January 1863.

4. I now do myself the honor of requesting permission to pay for the repairs from the ordinary repair funds of the District, sub-head Irrigation Canals, as the boat in question can be made use of by a Navigation Superintendent, and to enter her value in the returns of the Godavery plant as 458-12-10, instead of 200 Rupees.

5. I have ordered the boat kept by the Police to be struck off our returns.

No. 80. ORDER THEREON, 6th January 1864, No. 37.

Under the circumstances represented, the Governor in Council grants authority for the payment of the sum of Rupees 258-12-10 from the source mentioned in paragraph 4 of this letter, and for the value of the paddle-boat being entered in the Superintending Engineer's returns at Rupees 458-12-10 instead of at Rupees 200 as at present.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 1st Division.

„ Controller and Auditor of Public Works Accounts.
„ Accountant General.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Godavery District Eng. Office
Dowlaisaeram 27 January 1863

No. 12/165

From Major J. F. Mottard
Acting District Engineer, Godavery

To. Lt. Col. P. E. Ludlow, P. E.
Deputy Chief Engineer, A. C.
Madras

Sir,

In reply to your letter No. 615 dated
20th Instant, I have the honor to state that
the Paddle Boat No. 18 which the Superin-
tendent of Police returned to me as rejected
by the Inspector General as unserviceable,
was thoroughly repaired, and renewed,
I should say, as many of the ribs and planks
had been replaced and a perfectly new
cabin with windows put in her in the
Government Workshop at Dowlaisaeram
for the Police Superintendent's use and
the cost of doing so was already stated
by me No. 258-12-10. The Superintendent
of Police is apparently very hard to please,
as

as the same boat has been in use with
St. Montgomerie since, who lived in her
when surveying the salt creeks near
Yamam for weeks, and took her
into waters in which, had she been im-
serviceable, she must have gone to the
bottom, but St. Montgomerie informed
me that she was quite water-tight
and very comfortable. I must however
add that I had to expend Rs 19-6-7
on her to recaulk her, as she was returned
to me by the Superintendent of Police in
a very leaky state. It is my candid
opinion that the boat did not receive
proper treatment when in use with the
Police and that she must have been
subjected to some hard thumps which
loosened the caulking and made her
leaky. I am confirmed in this opinion
by the fact of the other boat which was
approved by the Superintendent of Police
having sunk at her mooring at Rajah-
mundry where I saw her myself not
very long ago.

2. I will have an Estimate pre-
pared for a new boat in the Workshop
as soon as possible and forward it to
you, and I beg that the cost of re-
pairing the boat Rs 18, returned by
the Police may be sanctioned from
the Repair Fund. She is every bit
good enough for use in this Depart-
ment though she may not please the
Superintendent of Police.

I have ^{you} ^{you}
Signed / S. F. Stoddard Esq.
Acting Dist Engineer Goda.

/ True Copy /

Ob. Charles / Capt. R. E.
Superintending Engineer / Durion

Re 11/2

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Superintending Engineer
No. 1947 Office, 1st Divⁿ, Cultivⁿ,
15th December 1863.

From
Captain A. S. Chambers R.E.
Superintending Engineer
To
Colonel Charles A. Orr R.E.
Secretary to Government D.D.

Madras.

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No. 2113 of 7th
Dec. 7/63.

No. 165 of 27th
January 1863.

Enclosed in a letter
No. 1947 of 15th Dec. 7/63,
from the Deputy Engineer
to the Secy to Govt. D.D.
Colonel A. S. Chambers R.E.

No. 337 of 15th

Copy of a letter No. 1165
of 27th Dec. 7/63, from
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Your Most Obedt. Servt.

W. Chamberlaine Capt. R.E.
Superintending Engineer ⁱⁿ Chgo.

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1863 Dec 23
 To the Hon. Secy. of the
 War Dept. Washington
 D.C.
 Sir,
 I beg to inform you
 that I have the honor
 to acknowledge the
 receipt of your letter
 of the 12th inst. in
 relation to the
 matter of the
 1863-12-10 and
 the fact that the
 same has been
 forwarded to the
 proper authorities
 for their consideration.
 I am, Sir, very
 respectfully,
 Yours,
 Wm. A. R.

Under the circumstances
 represented, the Governor in Council
 ordered and authority for the payment
 of the sum of \$258-12-10
 from the moneys mentioned in
 para 4 of the letter, and for
 the value of the saddle back
 being entered in the
 Return at \$258-12-10
 instead of at \$250 as at
 present.
 The sum of \$258-12-10
 is hereby ordered to be
 paid to the
 order of the
 Treasurer of the
 State of New York
 for the use of the
 State of New York
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