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No. 316. Read the following letter from Captain H. L. PRENDERGAST, R. E, Acting Superintending Engineer 4th Division, to Colonel W. I. BIRDWOOD, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 8th May 1863, No. 89:—

SIR,

1. With reference to your Order No. 588, of the 11th March 1863, I have the honor to forward a sketch showing the different widths of Popham's Broad-way from the Esplanade throughout to the northern extremity at the Jail. The blue lines show the position of the side drains.

1 Sketch.

2. It appears that the narrowest part of the road-way is opposite Messrs. Oakes', where the breadth is only 31 feet, and the drains are close to the buildings on both sides. North of the Market, the drains on the one side, run generally close to the houses as far as the next street; and on the other side there is a margin of from 3 to 5 feet between them and the houses, while the road-way varies from 31 to 38 feet in width. Beyond Moorur Nullah Moottoo Street, a clear width of 50 feet might be obtained for a short distance by merely altering the drains; but the street narrows again further on. Thus from the Esplanade to Moorur Moottoo Street, a distance of 1,500 feet, in order to obtain a good street, 50 feet broad, it would be necessary to purchase the frontage of all the houses on one side; and the cost of this would be so very heavy, that Government could hardly contemplate undertaking the alteration.

No. 317. ORDER THEREON, 19th May 1863, No. 1,262.

Vide Memorandum No. 25, dated 19th February 1863.

The Superintending Engineer has omitted to report the probable cost of widening Popham's Broad-way. This omission should now be supplied.

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

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Chelsea
19th May/63

To
The Supg Engr 4th Division. Dated 20th May

No 87.

Ref. to Memo No 26 dated 19th February/63.

P.W.D. 1863 Depto.
No. 1 Govt. for May
Term No. 347.
The Actg Supt. Engr.
2d Division
To
The Secretary
to Government
P.W.D.
dated 8th May 1863.
Rec'd 19th May No. 89.
Enclosure.
Forwards with reference to
Proc.s No. 588 of 11th March 1863 a
Sketch shewing the different
widths of Popham's Broadway
from the esplanade to its
Northern extremity at the Sail,
and states that considering
the heavy cost of purchasing
the frontage of all the houses
on one side of it; the Govt
can hardly undertake its al-
teration and improvement.
With an Order—

No. 316. 317.