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No. 412. Read the following Circular from Colonel R. STRACHEY, R. L., Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Simla, the 6th October 1864, No. 75:—

Budget Grants for 1865-66.

1. It is notified for information that the allotment of the sum to be granted for Public Works for the year 1865-66, may be expected to be made by the Government of India in the Financial Department in November next, after which the distribution of the grant to the different Local Governments and Administrations will be made by the Government of India in this Department. The Governor General in Council, having regard to the inconvenience that often arises from uncertainty as to the ultimate amount of the Public Works Grants, and to the serious financial objections that exist to admitting any alterations in the main features of the estimated expenditure for the year after the General Budget Estimate has once been settled, has resolved that the grants for the coming year shall be made on the understanding that they will be, as far as practicable, final, and that no demands for additional supplementary grants during the year will be entertained, excepting under very exceptional circumstances. Early notice of this determination is given, so that all Governments may be prepared for the arrangement. The necessary information as to the grants will be given in time to admit of the Budget Estimate for the coming year being prepared for the sum finally allotted to each Government or Administration, so that the orders of the Government of India on the estimate will not on this occasion be liable to cause alteration in the total amount, but only a revision in points of details.

2. The Governor General in Council is unable to specify at present the sum that will be available for Public Works for the coming year; but as some standard of expenditure must be adopted, in order to form the first provisional sketch of the Budget Estimate for 1865-66, the grants for the current year may be temporarily taken for this purpose. His Excellency in Council however observes that, at the same time that the grants will be made on a more defined basis than has hitherto been done, occasion will be taken to consider the relative claims of the several Provinces, and to adjust so far as is possible, the proportion of the total grants which should be allowed to each according to its apparent requirements, and a due regard to the interests of the empire as a whole.

No. 413. ORDER THEREON, 21st November 1864, No. 3,333.

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(True Extract.)

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

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THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
Public Works Department.

TO

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

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Col, R. E.

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