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No. 211. Read the following letter from Colonel A. J. M. BOILEAU, R. E., Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 23rd January 1864, No. 4,702:—

SIR,

1 Report, dated 2nd January 1864, No. 64.
1 Abstract Estimate.
1 Specification.
1 Rough Sketch.

1. With reference to the Proceedings of Government No. 3,512, dated 30th November 1863, I have the honor to report that on my recent visit to Tripetty I took occasion to inspect portions of the road between Naggery and Balapully, for which a maintenance allowance of Rupees 1,300 is granted at the rate of 50 Rupees a mile on 26 miles. As a fair weather road, it appears to be generally passable, but must present very serious difficulties to travellers and traffic in the rains.

2. The only ground that is now set forth for maintaining the road between the Codoor (Cuddapah District) and Tripetty Stations is, that the Redwood and Firewood Contractors may place their traffic on the Railway at either of these Stations.

3. I have had a rough sketch prepared, which is enclosed, showing the various tracks followed by the hill woodmen in bringing their wood to the Railway.

4. The sketch embraces both the Railway Stations adverted to, but my remarks have reference only to that portion of the road between Balapully and the Tripetty Railway Station. It will be seen that the various tracks from the hills lead on to the road in question at Balapully, Maumdoor and Kirkambady; and any argument that is good for making the main road will apply with equal force to making the hill tracks, and I presume this is not intended.

5. If the Railway Company finds that the traffic does not reach them at the Codoor and Tripetty Stations they have only got to establish a mid-station where it can reach them, but I do not think that in such a case Government can be looked to to form a regular road in the North Arcot District. As however there are some permanent drains to be substituted for

Rd.	temporary ones, and gravel required to be laid on here and
Road from Trivellum Railway Station	there, and swamps to be rendered passable at all seasons,
to Trunk Road No. 10	250
Do. from Trivellum Town to Railway	I think it would be well to grant to the Executive Officer
Station	100
Do. between Cottarlappully and Palipett	350
	700
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for this purpose the balance Rupees 800 remaining on the discretionary allowance of the District of which Rupees 700 have already been spent (as per margin).

6. The Sub-Engineer's report on the road is enclosed, and also an Estimate Rupees 28,200 for metalling the portion from Tripetty Station to Balapully alluded to therein, in case Government should think it advisable to lay out a large sum in this direction.

No. 212. ORDER THEREON, 9th February 1864, No. 411.

1. Communicated to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, with reference to his endorsement, dated 9th November 1863, No. 273.

2. The Government concurs in the opinion expressed by the Superintending Engineer in paragraph 4, and looking to the probability of the early completion of the Railway between Cuddapah and Madras, it must decline to authorize the expenditure of so large a sum as Rupees 28,200 on the line between Tripetty and Balapully which runs parallel to the Railway. The Government authorizes, however, the appropriation of the sum of Rupees 800 from the discretionary grant, for the purposes specified in paragraph 5.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division.

„ Consulting Engineer for Railways.

„ Accountant General.

„ Controller and Auditor of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Nov 11.

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To The Superintg Engr 14th Dec 1863
" " Consulting Engr for Railways
" " Accountant General
" " Controller and ref^y account^y
Dated 8th Feb 1864
J. D. Smith, Esq. Secy to Govt
W. H. B. Esq. Secy to Govt
Chapman Esq. Secy to Govt
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No 30 Nov 1863/64 709-410.

To W 1864 Dept
To (5) No. of Govt for February
From No 354
The Sup. Engineer, 4th Div
To the Secretary to Govt
P.W.D.

P.W.D. 220/66.

Dated 23rd January 1864.
Recd. 25th Jan 1864.
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No 4902.

Submits for sanction
Estimate No 28200 for metalling
the road from Trinity Station
to Balpally and recommends
that Rs 800 be given from the
balance of Discretionary allow-
to be spent on the portions of
road from Naffery to
Balpally.

No 211. 212

11-9th February
With an Order

27th Jan 1864 On 1st Feb 4.