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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
22nd December 1864.*

No. 504. Read the following letter from G. THORNHILL, Esq., Collector of Kistna District, to the Honorable A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Masulipatam, 3rd December 1864, No. 25:—

SIR,

No. 3,790, 31st December 1863, and No. 538, 20th September 1864. 1. I venture to request the attention of Government to their Proceedings in the Public Works Department noted in the margin.

2. In these Proceedings two projects for improving the entrance to the Tidal creek at Masulipatam were discussed, and it was decided by Government that both schemes should be for the present postponed.

3. The one scheme was for shortening and straightening the passage from the Fort to the sea, by a direct cut from the village of Gikaladindi, and by constructing a bund across the creek.

4. The other was for deepening the entrance to the creek by diverting the land drainage of a large tract from flowing into the Kistna as at present, and by turning it into the Masulipatam creek.

5. The first of these objects has been effectually gained by the action of the late Cyclone. The course of the creek is now almost in a direct line from Gikaladindi to the sea, and the depth of water on the bar is much greater than before.

6. If the second project were now carried out, it would provide employment for the survivors in the villages of Goondupollem, Chinnapoor, Majeroo, Yendacoodroo, and a number of other villages which received the full force of the storm wave and were more desolated than any, except the town of Masulipatam itself, and perhaps some few villages between the mouths of the Kistna.

7. There is no other work that I am aware of that could be at once undertaken in the immediate neighbourhood of these villages, and it is work that can be immediately commenced upon in the close vicinity of the suffering villages that is urgently needed.

Transferred to the Public Works Department.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,

9th December 1864.

Chief Secretary.

No. 505. ORDER THEREON, 22nd December 1864, No. 3,681.

The Governor in Council fully approves of the suggestion of giving relief to the distressed survivors of the people of Masulipatam and its neighbouring villages by providing them with work, and as the improvement of the tidal inlet, according to the plan and estimate of the Superintending Engineer of the 2nd Division, which were approved of in Proceedings of Government, No. 3,790, dated 21st December 1863, but were then ordered to lie over, appears to be a work well situated and well adapted for the purpose, His Excellency in Council sanctions its immediate commencement, and resolves, with reference to the authority recently granted to this Government by the Governor General in Council "to expend what may be considered necessary to afford relief to the distressed," to apply to the Government of India, for the requisite funds. The Superintending Engineer will report what amount will be sufficient.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division.

„ Controller of Public Works Accounts.

„ Accountant General.

„ Collector of Kistna.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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From Calcutta. To Madras.
From Home Secretary. To Chief Secretary.

Your thirteen fifteen received
about the calamity at Masulipatam.
The Governor General in Council authorizes
the Government of Madras to expend what
may be considered necessary to afford
relief to the distressed. - 17th 17-4.

Received 8 Dec 1884. -

W. P. Main

No 25

Kistna District
Collector's Office
Masulipatam
3^d December 1864

From

G Thornhill Esq^r

Collector of Kistna District

To

The Honorable J. A. Butcher
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St George

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Sir

Your Most obedient servant

M. M. Bell
Collector

Ad
J. D. Bunker
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over a lot of villages
to be made for the
benefit of the people
of the district.

From the Colls. of
 The Hon. Board
 Submitting suggestion regard-
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 entrance to the Tidal creek
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*James
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Genl. Cunningham
 Chief Secretary

4th Decr/1864

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We must as well call for Plans & Estimates
 if this scheme is to be carried out

Mr
 Circular for the order
 of Government with reference to
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The Supp Engr
is authorized to
afford relief to the dis.
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People of Massachusetts
by carrying out the
improvement proposed
to the tidal inlet
at a cost of R. 31000.

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