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No. 60. Read the following letter from J. W. B. DYKES, Esq., Collector of Nellore, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Nellore, 16th April 1864, No. 18 :—

SIR,

1. I heard the other day that the Canal to Kistnapatam is not to be taken up this year for want of funds. Sir Charles Trevelyan in his speech on the 7th, states that he has redeemed his pledge as regards last year (that any sum required for roads, works of irrigation or navigation would be forthcoming if required); that the Budget it is probable will not be reached by about a quarter of a Million; and as regards the coming year, it is still less likely that the Public Works Estimate can be spent. And under these circumstances, I do myself the honor to submit for the consideration of Government whether, if necessary, further application might not be made for the requisite funds, for not only is the Kistnapatam Canal "a well considered plan," but the state of our markets, I regret to add, renders it most necessary we should be able to find employment for labor during the next five months.

2. The famine that prevails in the Western Districts is raising our prices and pouring into the District a dangerous population. I have brought this to the notice of the Board, and begged their assistance as regards the immediate execution of works in the Budget. And hearing now we are likely to be disappointed of one most important work not in the Budget, but that we had looked on as a certainty, I trust I shall be excused if I lose no time by addressing Government direct, for the case is urgent, and the work in question is one that would be invaluable as a source of employment for the population we shall have to deal with.

No. 61. ORDER THEREON, 4th May 1864, No. 1,272.

No. 1,084, dated 15th April 1864.

1. The Collector of Nellore will observe from the Order marginally noted, copy of which will now be furnished to him, that the Government of India have ruled that the commencement of the Canal from Doogoorazapatam to Kistnapatam must be deferred until the sanction accorded by that Government to the Estimate, amounting to Rupees 2,35,000, shall have received the confirmation of Her Majesty's Government.

2. Under these circumstances the Governor in Council considers it unnecessary to submit to the Supreme Government the further application suggested by Mr. Dykes.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Collector of Nellore, with G. O. No. 1,084 of 1864.
„ Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No 18.

Nellore,
Collectors Office,
16th April 1864.

From,

J. W. B. Dykes. Esqre.,
Collector of Nellore.

To,

Lieut.t Colonel C. A. Orr, R. E.
Secretary to Government Public Works
Department.—Fort St. George.

Sir,

I heard the other day, that the Canal to Krishnapatnam is not to be taken up this year for want of funds. Sir Charles Trevelyan in his speech on the 7th, states that he has redeemed his pledge as regards last year, (that any sum required for roads, works of irrigation or navigation would be forthcoming if required), that the budget if it is probable will not be reached by about a quarter of a Million; And as regards the coming year, it is still less likely that the Public Works Estimate can be spent. And under these circumstances, I do myself the honor to submit for the consideration

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for not only is the Krishnapatnam Canal a well
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Sir,

Your Most Obed Servt

W Elliot

Collector.

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Chepauk
4th May 1864

To The Collr of Nellore
with G. O. No 1084 of 15/4

To The Board of Revenue

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To The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
Fort St George

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No. 15.
Enclosure

Suggesting for consideration that further application be made for the requisite fund, to take up Krishnapatam Canal this year with reference to the impending scarcity & high price of grain in the District &c.

Written Order

1084 dated
15th April 1864.

Govr

No 1272

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