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No. 268. 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, 2nd May 1864, No. 13:—

SIR,

1 Letter No.—, dated 1st February 1864.
1 Petition, dated 22nd January „
1 Do „ 7th March „

1. In January last, Mr. Supervisor Booth, Executive Agent, Wallajah Range, North Arcot, reported that in consequence of the loss of a Prismatic Compass which had been lent to Apprentice Govinda Row by Captain Chrystie, Executive Engineer, the latter had ordered the Apprentice's salary for December 1863 to be stopped until the Compass was found, or some satisfactory account given of the cause of its not having been returned.

2. On enquiry into the subject I find that the Compass in question was entrusted to the Apprentice in August last to survey a portion of the Cauverypauk Channel, and that in December following or four months afterwards, Captain Chrystie discovered that only its case had been returned to him. The Apprentice on being questioned in the matter at first stated that he had left the instrument in charge of one of the Pálár Anicut Lascars, whose name he could not remember, but subsequently he represented that he had packed it up with several other articles which Captain Chrystie had left at the Anicut Bungalow, and requested that they might be sent to that Officer.

3. The Apprentice declares that the Compass was not lost by him, and it is possible that it was abstracted from the case after he left it at the Bungalow. He is, however, (as remarked by Captain Chrystie) to blame for not having made over the instrument to Captain Chrystie's Lascars, and for not having at first told the truth as to the manner in which he had disposed of it. Properly, therefore, the value of the instrument, which I am informed is Rupees 41-6-6, should be recovered from him. Considering, however, that his pay is not more than 13 Rupees per month, I recommend that he be fined Rupees 5, and that permission be given to write off the Compass from the District Store Books.

No. 269. ORDER THEREON, 12th May 1864, No. 1,376.

Under the circumstances stated, the Governor in Council accedes to the recommendation contained in the latter clause of paragraph 3 of the foregoing letter.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division.
„ Accountant General.
„ Controller and Auditor of Public Works Accounts.
„ Store Department.

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From
The Superintg Engineer
4th Division

To The Secretary to Govt
P.W.D.

Dated 25 April 1864.
Rec'd 3 May

No. 13.

States the circumstances
under which the Prismatic
Compass lent to the Apprentice
Govinda Row in Wallajah
Range has been lost &
requests permission to write
off the same from the Store
Book of the Range.

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Under the circumstances
stated, the Governor in Council
accedes to the recommendation
contained in the latter clause
of para 3 of the foregoing
letter.

Chepauk
12th May 1864

To
The Superg Engr 4th Divn Vellore
" Asst Genl
" Accountant
" Store Keeper

Dear Sir 13th May