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No. 403. 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, 5th May 1864, No. 100.

SIR,

1. In November last the Executive Officer, Vellore Range, reported that on Overseer Mootoosawmy Pillay taking over charge of the Vellore Táluq from Overseer Streenevassa Naidoo, certain tools, as per margin, were shown to have been missing since January 1862, and he recommended that their value should be recovered from the latter subordinate.

	Rs.
32 Mamoties	24
22 Pickaxes	19½
3 Crow bars	3
2 Bill hooks	1
65 Hammers	16½
Total...	63½

ENCLOSURES.
1 Letter from the Executive Officer Vellore Range, No. 449, dated 26th Nov. 1863.
1 Do. from Overseer Streenevassa Naidoo, dated December 1863, No. 38.
1 Do. from Executive Officer Vellore, dated 29th January 1864, No. 620.
1 Do. from Overseer Streenevassa Naidoo, dated 31st March 1864.
1 Do. from Executive Officer Vellore, No. 810, dated 14th April 1864.

2. In explanation Streenevassa Naidoo states that the tools in question were given over to the charge of Pygust Coomarasawmy Mudali for use on the Vellore and Arnee road, that on the latter leaving, the tools were taken possession of by his brother-in-law Rutna Mudali, from whom he, Streenevassa Naidoo, endeavoured on several occasions to recover them though without success. This circumstance Streenevassa Naidoo states that he reported at the time to the then Range Officer Mr. O'Hara, Assistant Engineer, and subsequently to the present Executive Officer Mr. Sub-Engineer Howard, with a view to payment which was due to Rutna Mudali for work performed being deferred until the missing tools were given up.

3. Mr. Howard, however, reports that the payment in question had been previously made by his predecessor Mr. Erskine, and the amount entered in the Range cash book as an advance against Mr. Erskine. It being, however, for work actually executed for which a Bill had been passed, the sum was looked upon as a *bona fide* payment, and was ordered to be adjusted as such in the cash book.

4. The Sub-Engineer further adds that he considers it would be unfair to stop the pay of the men employed in the Arcot Táluq on account of tools lost on a particular work, through the neglect and carelessness of Streenevassa Naidoo, and this view of the matter I also entertain.

5. The Pygust to whom the tools were originally given was a subordinate agent employed under Streenevassa Naidoo's orders, and it was the duty of the latter to have taken care that the tools were daily produced on the work for which they were given out; not having done so, he must, I consider, be held responsible for their loss. In his explanation herewith submitted he argues that it was as much the duty of the Range Officer as of himself to recover the missing tools. The Executive Officer of the Range should certainly have brought to the notice of this Office the loss of the tools earlier than November 1863, but Overseer Streenevassa Naidoo having been in charge of the road works (between Vellore and Arnee) on which the tools were lost, should, I am of opinion, be fixed with the responsibility of making them good, and I therefore recommend that authority be given to me to recover from him their value Rupees 63½ in three instalments.

6. His present salary is Rupees 60, exclusive of Rupees 20 travelling allowance.

No. 404. ORDER THEREON, 17th May 1864, No. 1,439.

* Rupees 63-8-0. The Government grant authority for the value* of the tools referred to in this letter being recovered from Overseer Streenevassa Naidoo by instalments of 10 Rupees per mensem.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, with five letters
„ Controller and Auditor of Public Works Accounts.
„ Accountant General.
„ Store Department.
Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Naidoo states that the Tools in question were given

No. 100.

Superintg. Engrs. Office 4th Dn.
Madras, 5th May, 1864.

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From,

Colonel A. J. M. Boileau, R. E.
Superintending Engineer, 4th Dn.

To.

Colonel C. A. Orr, R. E.
Secretary to Government P.W.D.

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22	Pickaxes ——— " ———	19 1/2
3	Crow Bars ——— " ———	3
2	Bill Hooks ——— " ———	1
65	Hammers ——— " ———	16 1/4
	Total Rupees	63 1/2

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Supt. Engrs. Office 4th Dy.
Madras 5th May 1864

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servt.

H. Pitcairn Coll. R.E.
Sup. Engineer 4th Dy.

To,

Colonel C. A. Orr R. E.
Secretary to Government
Public Works Department

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To the Secretary
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No 1139 - 17th May 1864

Date 5th May 1864
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Forwards Correspondence
connected with certain
Tools having been found
missing in the Vellore Range
and recommends that
their value Rs 63½ may
be recovered from Overseer
Streenevassah
Naidoo by 3 equal
Monthly Orders

No 1139

The Government grant
No 63.8 - authority for the value of the
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Chepauk
17th May 1864

To The Superintg Engr 4th Div with five letters
" Controller
" Acctt Genl
" State Deptt

Dated 18th May