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No. 281. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel O. W. S. CHAMBERS, R. E., Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Waltair, 26th February 1864, No. 2,267 :—

SIR,

1. On taking over charge of the stores of the late Vizagapatam District in January 1863, I found a packing case lying on the ground in the open compound of the Acting District Engineer.

2. On its being opened it was seen to contain a tool chest, the tools of which had been so badly damaged by white ants as to be quite unserviceable.

3. This tool chest had been received from the Presidency on the 16th February 1861, and had never been opened, but had been transferred in its packing case from one District Engineer to another: its value in the books was entered as Rupees 176-9-1.

No. 1,281. 4. The occurrence was reported to Colonel Ludlow, Deputy Chief Engineer, on the 14th January 1863.

5. I proposed making the Store-keeper of the District pay the value of the chest in instalments of 15 Rupees per mensem, but mentioned that Colonel Ludlow might perhaps be inclined to allow him a deduction of quarter of the value of the articles destroyed, because the accommodation for the District Stores in the District Engineer's private residence being very limited, the Store-keeper had some excuse for keeping the packing case out of the Godowns, though none for allowing it to stand on the ground in a compound infested with white ants.

6. In reply, Colonel Ludlow directed that the chest should be sold by auction and the Store-keeper should pay 10 Rupees a month, leaving the total to be paid by him to be determined hereafter.

7. The chest was sold by auction for Rupees 69-12-9, and 10 Rupees per mensem have been recovered by me from the Store-keeper, so that there is now the full value of the tool box in my cash chest.

8. I beg that Government will now permit me to strike the tools off the store returns of the District, and to remit either their full value, or three-fourths of their value, as they may determine, to the Superintendent of Stores at the Presidency.

No. 282. ORDER THEREON, 11th March 1864, No. 746.

The Governor in Council grants authority for the tools referred to in this letter being struck off the Store Returns of the Vizagapatam District, and directs that their value (Rupees 176-9-1), which has been recovered by the Superintending Engineer, be remitted to the Presidency Store Department.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 1st Division.
" Controller and Auditor of Public Works Accounts.
" Accountant General.
" Store Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

3d. Superintending Engrs.

No. 2,267 Office, 1st Divn, Vellore,
26th February 1864.

From

Lieut.t Colonel Chambers R.E.
Superintending Engineer

To

Colonel C.A. Orr R.E.
Secretary to Government
Madras.

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4. The occurrence was reported to Colonel Ludlow, Dy. Chief Engr. on the 14th January 1863. No. 1281.

5. I proposed making the Storekeeper of the District pay the value of the Chest in instalments of 15 Rs. per mensem, but mentioned, that Colonel Ludlow might perhaps be inclined to allow him a deduction of 1/4 of the value of the articles destroyed, because the accommodation for the District Stores in the District Engineer's private residence being very limited, the Storekeeper had some excuse for keeping the packing case

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8. Beg that Government will now permit me to strike the tools off the Store Returns of the District, and to remit either their full value, or 1/4 of their value, as they may determine, to the Superintendent of

of Mines & the Public Service.

Sir,

Have the honour to be
Your most obedt. Hble.

Servt.

Rob. Chawley Asst. Engr.

Superintending Engineer &c &c &c

Dublin

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No. 284. 1879.

The Lords Commrs. of the Treasury
direct that the Engagement between
the Revd. Robert Chawley Assistant
Engineer & the Commissioners of Public
Works in Ireland dated 17th Feby.
1876 be determined on the 31st March
1879 and that the Commissioners
do pay to the said Robert Chawley
the sum of £ 300 for his services
during the period of his employment
under the Engagement.

Mr. Secretary Lowe

Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland

Treasury Chambers
10th March 1879

Rec'd 12th March

Dated 29th March 1879
Read 1st April "
Decd. 1st "

Mr. Secretary Lowe

Treasury Chambers

Dublin 29th March 1879

Sir,

I am directed by the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland to transmit herewith for the information of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury a Memorial from Robert Chawley Esq. Assistant Engineer to the Commissioners, praying that he may be allowed to retire from the Service on a Pension.

I am, Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
Thomas Drummond
Secretary

The Secretary
to the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury
London