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No. 343. Read the following letter from Colonel R. STRACHEY, R. E., Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, in the Public Works Department, dated Fort William, 18th February 1864, No. 792 :—

SIR,

1. I am directed to acknowledge your letters, quoted in the margin, the two first forwarding respectively the Local Funds Budgets of 1862-63 and 1863-64 and the last reporting that it is not considered necessary to employ a separate establishment at present to superintend works executed by means of Local Funds in the Madras Presidency.

No. 1,796, dated 28th July 1862.
„ 1,097, „ 30th April 1863.
„ 3,328, „ 16th November „

2. Paragraph's 11—19, of the first quoted letter, to which the two subsequent communications draw attention, pointing out the unequal system pursued in the different Presidencies, whereby the sums raised by local taxation, &c., are in one credited to Imperial Revenues, and in another to Local Funds, have been transferred to the Financial Department for consideration and orders.

3. I am to express the regret of the Governor General in Council at the delay that has been allowed to occur in dealing with this matter.

4. I am directed to take this opportunity of acknowledging your letter No. 3,525, dated 1st December last, forwarding the Port Fund Budget of the Madras Presidency for 1863-64.

No. 344. ORDER THEREON, 15th March 1864, No. 777.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

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

Exd. S. T. Augustin,

No. 792.

From

COLONEL R. STRACHEY, R. E.,
SECY. TO THE GOVT. OF INDIA.

To

THE SECY. TO THE GOVT. OF MADRAS,
IN THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
Fort William, 18*th February*, 1864.

General.

SIR,

I am directed to acknowledge your letters, quoted in the margin, the two first forwarding respectively the Local Funds Budgets of 1862-63 and 1863-64, and the last reporting that it is not considered necessary to employ a separate establishment at present to superintend works executed by means of Local Funds in the Madras Presidency.

No. 1796, dated 28th July 1862.
" 1097, " 30th April 1863.
" 3328, " 16th November 1863.

2. Paragraphs 11—19, of the first quoted letter, to which the two subsequent communications draw attention, pointing out the unequal system pursued in the different Presidencies, whereby the sums raised by local taxation, &c., are in one credited to Imperial Revenues, and in another to Local Funds, have been transferred to the Financial Department for consideration and orders.

3. I am to express the regret of the Governor General in Council at the delay that has been allowed to occur in dealing with this matter.

4. I am directed to take this opportunity of acknowledging your letter, No. 3525, dated 1st December last, forwarding the Port Fund Budget of the Madras Presidency for 1863-64.

I have the honour to be,
SIR,
Your most obedient Servant,
Colonel, R. E.,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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P. 1 to 3 - Acknowledging the receipt of the letters forwarding the Local Funds Budgets of 1862/63 and 1863/64; intimating the transfer, to the Finl Dept, of the subject of the unequal system pursued in the different Presidencies, regarding the treatment of the sums raised by local taxation, &c; and expressing their regret at the delay that has been allowed to occur in dealing with the matter.

P. 4 - Acknowledging the receipt of the letter forwarding the Pol. Fund Budget of the Madras Presy for 1863/64.

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15th March/64

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