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No. 217. 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 Willam, 5th March 1864, No. 1,052 :—

SIR,

1. I am directed to acknowledge receipt of the return of appropriations made in Madras for original works and repairs during July 1863, and with reference to paragraph 3 of the Controller's transmitting letter, to enquire under what circumstances items comprising the sum of Rupees 19,291 have been sanctioned for repairs from the Reserve, this mode of applying the Reserve being against rule.

2. From paragraph 2 of the same letter, it would appear that sanctions are being accorded from the extra grant made to Madras in Public Works Department Circular Resolution No. 18 of 1863. That grant was made subject to the submission of a Supplementary Budget, which has not been received as yet; and in the absence of this, no appropriations should have been made from the grant. I am to request that a list of these grants making up the three lakhs may be furnished, in order that the appropriations may be formally recorded.

3. It is observed that, in some cases, the Collectors in the Madras Presidency have sanctioned outlay on repairs, ranging from Rupees 2,000 to 50. I am to enquire under what rules these sanctions are given, observing that in the Administrations under the direct control of the Government of India, the powers of sanction by this class of Officers have been limited to Rupees 200 in each case.

4. The classification of the sanctions accorded during the month have not all been made correctly in the return; certain items of construction are placed under the head Repairs, whereas they should have been entered under Original Works.

No. 218. ORDER THEREON, 9th April 1864, No. 996.

Ordered that the following letter be sent to the Government of India :—

(Here enter No. 997, dated 9th April 1864.)

(True Extract.)

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

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Hereunto No. 997

Dated 9th April 64.

Chs Trevelyan
9th April 64