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17th May 1865.*

No. 355. Read the following letter from Captain J. MULLINS, R. E. Consulting Engineer for Irrigation and Canal Company, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Department of Public Works, dated Madras, 28th April 1865, No. 249 :—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to transmit, for the information of Government, a letter, No. 212 of the 26th instant, from the Agent and Manager Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, forwarding a copy of Mr. Secretary Westwood's letter of the 27th March, No. 39.

2. It will be observed from this communication, that the Board of Directors have seen reason to modify the views, with regard to the tenor of certain clauses of the Contract, which were expressed in paragraph 2 of their Secretary's letter No. 6 of the 11th February, to the Under Secretary of State for India, and also that, with regard to works, the intentions conveyed in clause (1), paragraph 3 of the same letter have been altered to the extent of postponing the carrying out of the works of the 9th Section of the Main Canal, until it has been ascertained that funds for that section will be available. On the other hand, they still desire the surveys in Bellary, Cuddapah, and Nellore to be proceeded with.

3. Perhaps the Government would wish, with reference to this very recent expression of the views of the Board of Directors, to reconsider the opinion communicated in the order quoted in the margin of the preceding paragraph, so far as to allow of the circumstances being represented to the Board before the Agent proceeds to adopt the course which the Government desire to see taken. It appears to me that it is very probable that the Directors, in view of the arrangements which it will be necessary to make for raising additional capital, are anxious for more definite information with regard to those portions of the scheme for which regular estimates have not yet been prepared, and that while therefore the advantages arising from the transfer of the establishments, at present engaged upon investigations for the extension of the works, to the sections already in progress, would undoubtedly be great, it is possible that some inconvenience might arise from the immediate adoption of that arrangement, and as such immediate transfer would probably not affect, to any considerable extent, the Irrigation returns of the season about to commence, I would recommend that the Agent be requested to bring the question at once under the consideration of the Directors, and that, in the meantime, the Survey parties be instructed to complete investigations already partially made, rather than to extend their operations, so that the transfer may be effected with but little delay whenever the final order is received. Thus, in the Bellary District nothing should be done beyond Aldhully on the western limits of the Bellary Cantonment, and the field work above that should be completed at the earliest possible date, when the withdrawal of the Survey party will be in every respect advantageous. In Cuddapah an effort should be made to complete the field work of the 12th Section, the only one unfinished, and the Surveys of which were reported in March to be proceeding rapidly, and that done, nearly the whole of that establishment could be transferred to the upper

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sections of the canal, and the rest might join the Chief Engineer's Office to complete the plans and estimates under his orders. In Nellore, I am afraid, the investigations are still far from complete, and I am under the impression that the general arrangements of the works in that Division will require to be greatly modified in order to obtain a paying project. In the absence of information as to what has been done since my visit in February, I hardly know what to advise in this case, but perhaps the safest course would be to recommend the immediate transfer of so much of the establishment as the Agent and Chief Engineer, after communication with the Executive Engineer Nellore, may find it practicable to remove, without occasioning loss by the abandonment of incomplete work, or delaying too much the completion of a reliable approximate estimate of the total cost of the works necessary for the extension of the project throughout that Division. At present the office of Chief Engineer is held provisionally, and until permanent arrangements are made any decision on difficult points connected with works under investigation will be impracticable.

No. 356.

ORDER THEREON, 17th May 1865, No. 1,342.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 48.

The Government are still of opinion that it is advisable to stop, for the present, the whole of the Survey operations which have been undertaken by the Irrigation Company, and to concentrate all available resources upon the Canal below Kurnool, but they will not object to any of the Surveys now in progress being continued for a time, if the Manager and the Consulting Engineer consider that to do so will tend to the advantage of the Company.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Consulting Engineer Irrigation and Canal Company.
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Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Consulting Engineer's Office,
Irrigation Canal Company,
Madras, 28th April 1865.

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Cons. Engineer I.C.C.

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P.M. S. N^o 979 of the 10th April 1865. -

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
Volundunna Captain, R.E.
Cove Engineer S.M. Company.

S. M. H.

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Pub. Works, Dep't.
of the Madras Government.
Under date the 17th May, 1866

Read the following letter

From the Long Sugar Co.

Transmits for the information of Gov^t a letter from the Agent and Manager forwarding copy of Mr Secretary Woodhams letter of the 27th March 1839 with certain observations _____

J. G. 28th April 1865
No. 219.

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[Signature]

Engineer & Co. H. H.
Manager

Sept. 18th May

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Letter from the Comdg
Engineer M. Canad. Co.
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relative to the Coas Survey
now in progress in the Bellary
Cuddapah and Nellore
Districts. with orders thereon.

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