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24th August 1865.

No. 575. Read the following Endorsement of the Controller of Public Works Accounts, dated Madras, 16th August 1865, No. 993.

Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel E. A. FOORD, R. E., Superintending Engineer, 5th Division, to Captain J. F. FISCHER, R. E., Controller of Public Works Accounts, dated Salem, 5th August 1865, No. 1,059:—

SIR,

1 Account Particulars of Advances for April 1865. 1. You will observe from the Account Particulars of advances for April last of South Arcot, that a sum of

Rupees 12-13-0 advanced by the Executive Engineer of No. I. Range from the Imperial grant of last year, to the (Local) District Road Fund, and debited in the Imperial Account Current for April last, to the head "Advances Re-payable," is still unadjusted. As only one account for both the Local and Imperial Funds is being kept from this year, I request you will be good enough to suggest the means for adjusting this advance.

2. I have also to bring to your notice that in the Return above referred to, there is a sum of Rupees 21-5-0 remaining unadjusted under the head "Miscellaneous," subordinate to "District Stores." Of this sum, Rupees 16 are the value of eight crowbars, which remained in the District Engineer's Stores (out of a supply of 75 from the Principal Commissary of Ordnance, on cash payment in March 1859), and which were issued to No. 2 Range in July 1863; but by an oversight, these tools, which were appearing under the head "District Stores," since June 1862, were not transferred to the proper head when your Circular No. IV., dated 18th May 1864, was received, nor was there credit taken for the same in any of the Account Particulars of advances, although the crowbars referred to are included in the Balance Return of Tools and Stores of the Range.

3. The balance of Rupees 5-5-0 of the amount referred to in paragraph 2, is the value of a portion of a barrel of tar received in July 1860, on cash payment. A quantity of this tar, valued at Rupees 3, was supplied in 1861, for the wooden bridge at Fort Saint David, at Cuddalore, but credit for the same was, by an oversight, not taken in the Account Particulars of advances.

4. The sum of Rupees 2-5-0 still remaining to be accounted for, is considered to be the value of the portion wasted from the barrel of tar above referred to, and this sum I suppose may be written off to "profit and loss."

5. Under the explanation afforded in paragraphs 2, 3, and 4, I herewith submit a revised Account Particulars of advances for April, having taken credit therein for the amount of Rupees 19, which has hitherto been erroneously shown as the balance unadjusted.

1. With reference to paragraphs 2 to 5 of the foregoing letter, the undersigned has the honor to state that the sum of Rupees 21-5-0, outstanding in the South Arcot accounts under the head "District Stock," and the adjustment of which is

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sought for by the Superintending Engineer, may be written off the accounts in the following manner :—

To "Tools and Stores"	Rupees 16 0 0
„ Profit and Loss	„ 3 0 0
„	„ 2 5 0
	Rupees 21 5 0

2. These entries have been made in the accounts for 1864-65, now being closed in this Office, in anticipation of the sanction of Government.

3. The Superintending Engineer has been informed in what manner the sum of Rupees 12-13-0, referred to in paragraph 1 of his letter, should be adjusted.

(Signed) J. F. FISCHER, Captain, R. E.,
Controller of Public Works Accounts.

No. 576.

ORDER THEREON, 24th August 1865, No. 2,468.

ACCOUNT, No. 85.

Authority is granted for the sum of Rupees 21-5-0, referred to in this letter, being written off the accounts of the 5th Division.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer of the 5th Division.

„ Accountant General.

„ Controller of Public Works Accounts.

„ Officer in charge of the Store Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

