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Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
6th November 1865.*

No. 109. Read the following letter from the Superintending Engineer, 8th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Madura, 28th October 1865, No. 1,447 :—

1. In reply to G. O. No. 3,084, 17th instant, I have the honor to observe that so far as my means allow, the requisitions of the Collector for Salt works have been attended to, and entries have been made in the Budget proposed for 1866-67.

2. Referring to paragraph 3. Captain Payne proceeded to the Perrayaur in July, but found the grass strong and rank, 12 feet high, and leeches so abundant, that he could not make any survey, and will not be able to do so till the dry weather in January allows the burning of the grass.

3. I take the opportunity of bringing to the notice of the Government, that the project appears to have been examined and condemned as impracticable by the late Sir J. L. Caldwell.

4. In reply to paragraph 4. Since receiving the Order of Government the Collector has furnished me with a copy of a Statement furnished to the Revenue Board, showing the sums which he considers it necessary to expend on irrigation works; from this it appears that there are 1,491 works in Melur paying 1,12,456 Rs. revenue, or less than Rupees 76 each, and that he suggests an expenditure on 100 of them of Rupees 41,000 at 410 each.

5. I cannot think it the duty of Government to repair these miserable works, which are not capable of any improvement, many of them are mere ponds half an acre in extent and one and a half to two feet deep when full. I would respectfully suggest that it would be better to abandon the Nunjah revenue on such tanks as these, and leave it to the Ryots to cultivate dry crops or keep up their own irrigation works.

No. 110. ORDER THEREON, 6th November 1865, No. 3,334.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 18.

1. Communicated to the Revenue Department, in which Department the suggestions contained in paragraphs 4 and 5 will be considered.

2. Adverting to the remarks in paragraph 3, Colonel Moberly will be requested to forward, or to quote the numbers and dates of the correspondence which contains the views of the late Sir J. L. Caldwell in connection with the Perrayaur project.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Revenue Department.

„ Superintending Engineer, 8th Division.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No 447 Sup^r Engineer's Office 8th Divⁿ
From Madras 28th October 1865

Sir, Colonel F. Moberly RE
Superintending Engineer 8th Divⁿ

To Colonel C. A. Orr RE
Secretary to Government D. G. W.

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Under date the 6th November 1865

Read the following

From the Superintending Engineer, of the 8th Division

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Oct 1868
Dear
Mr. J. C. Smith

Dr. J. J. J. J. J.

Wm. of the Albany Co.
2/6. Decr/68

Migration would in future
suggestions of the duty being
8th Gov in relation to - Commerce
lead to the Revenue. As yet for
Consideration -

Dr. 109. 110.