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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 871

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Dated 30-3-1865

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
30th March 1865*

No. 615. Read the following letter from Colonel A. J. M BOILEAU, R. E., Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, to Colonel C. A. ORR, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 13th March 1865, No. 5,981 :—

SIR,

1. In paragraph 4 of their Proceedings No 647, dated 8th March 1865, the Government expressed their opinion that the work proposed by me in my letter No. 5,439, dated 31st January 1865, did not "seem calculated to retain the maximum quantity of fresh water in the river," that "the scheme" * * * "only remedies the inconvenience caused to passengers "by the opening of the bar," and they are further pleased to observe that "Government House "would still be unfit to live in during a north or north-east wind, and the mud banks would "still be uncovered in front of the Hospital and elsewhere."

2. I must express my regret that I should have written so obscurely, as to lead the Government so completely to misapprehend my meaning. It was my intention that my sluice shutters (of which unfortunately I omitted to give the dimensions) should retain water up to the 4' 6" mark on the gauge, or in fact exactly to the same height as that proposed in His Excellency the Governor's scheme. In order to effect this the shutters need be but 6½ feet high, and they might conveniently have a breadth of 5 feet.

3. There could be no difficulty in working such shutters from a platform framed upon the girders of the bridge, and upon the iron stanchions of the sluices.

4. So far from any banks remaining uncovered, the water-spread would reach to a point westward of Munro bridge.

No. 616. ORDER THEREON, 30th March 1865, No. 871.

Communicated to Mr. Fraser, Special Executive Engineer, with reference to the Proceedings of Government No. 647, dated 8th March 1865.

(True Extract.)

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

To W. Fraser, Esq, Special Executive Engineer.
To the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Sup^r Eng^r Office S. D. - Madras.
13th March 1865

From.

Colonel A. J. M. Bourlean R.E.
Sup^r Eng^r S. D.

To, Colonel J. A. Orr R.E.
Secy to Govt S. D.

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To J. P. Rogers

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from Lt. A. M. Bullock

Communicated to Mr. Storer

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