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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department.
7th April 1866.

No. 82. Read the following letter from the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Camp, Coonoor, 21st March 1866, No. 302 :—

Enclosures 2.

1. I have the honor herewith to transmit a Petition on behalf of the widow of the late Supervisor W. Campbell, who died at the head of the Karkoor Ghaut on the 5th April 1864, with another in support of the same on the part of Mr. J. W. Minchin and other Planters of South-East Wynad.

2. I cannot corroborate the statements of the former paper, wherein the *entire* merit of tracing and opening the Karkoor Ghaut and road above and below is attributed to the late Sub-Conductor Campbell, inasmuch as he only held a subordinate executive position up to the 1st July 1863, under Mr. Deputy Commissary Bailey, Sub-Engineer of the Department Public Works, under whose orders the ghaut trace was opened, and all work below was carried on. But I can bear testimony to Mr. Campbell having worked, unaided by his superior officer, from the above date to that of his death, in carrying on the ghaut work and laying out and opening the road above, with zeal, intelligence, and devotion, beyond all praise, but to the ultimate ruin of his health. I therefore most heartily join in the prayer of the Petitioners, that Government may be pleased to do something for Mrs. Campbell in recognition of her husband's good service in South-East Wynaad.

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Petition of the Planters and Residents of South-East Wynaad, to His Excellency the Governor of Fort Saint George, in Council.

That the accompanying petition of Mary Anne Campbell, widow of the late Supervisor William Campbell of the Department Public Works, stateth truly her present lamentable condition, and that having had personal opportunities of observation, they trust they will be pardoned the intrusion of bearing their own testimony to the untiring energy and self-devotion displayed by her late husband in the execution of the work entrusted to his hands by the Government, and they venture, therefore, to pray that her appeal for such assistance as may be within the power of the Government to bestow, may receive a favorable consideration at the hands of Government.

And your Petitioners will ever pray.

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Petition of MARY ANNE CAMPBELL, Widow of the late Supervisor WILLIAM CAMPBELL of the Department Public Works, to His Excellency the Governor of Fort Saint George, in Council.

1. That your Petitioner by the death of her husband has been left in very distressing circumstances, having to work hard for the maintenance of herself and children, being placed on no fund, and receiving only the small pension of Rupees 9-5-1 monthly.

2. That she humbly hopes that the circumstances of her husband's death, and the devotion he displayed in the discharge of his duty may be deemed to deserve some consideration.

3. That her husband traced throughout the line of road from the Mysore frontier through Goodalore and the Carcoor Pass to Mambaat on the Beypore river. That in tracing this line and in superintending the formation of the roadway, her husband was forced to reside in the most deadly localities; that for several months he lived under a rock, in the centre of the forest on the Carcoor Pass. That during the most feverish season of the year, in order to complete a work that might make him a name in his department, in defiance of failing health and the sufferings of a

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4. That on the death of her husband your petitioner hoped by the realization of his personal effects to obtain a sum of money, that might enable her to start some small business, which could maintain herself and her children, but she finds that the expense of living in Wynaad prevented her husband from saving any money or even keeping out of debt, and the claims against the estate will almost swallow up all the assets.

5. That your petitioner would ask to be allowed to point out, that since her husband's death, members of the Department Public Works, while serving in Wynaad, receive an extra allowance, equal to one-half their ordinary pay, to meet the great expenses they are liable to in that District, but that her husband received no such extra allowance, and that her present almost destitute state is thus accounted for.

6. That she has not ere this made any petition, having trusted that the result of the winding up her husband's estate would leave her sufficient to live upon, but from a letter received from the Administrator General, dated 27th October 1865, your petitioner finds that only about Rupees two hundred will be left for her and her children, which sum will not be paid to her till July 1866.

7. That your petitioner has heard that the Governor in Council has been pleased to grant the sum of one thousand Rupees to Mrs. Donald Campbell, widow of Sub-Conductor Donald Campbell, Department Public Works; and she humbly and earnestly hopes that some consideration of the same kind may be shown to her urgent necessities.

And your Petitioner will ever pray.

No. 83. ORDER THEREON, 7th April 1866, No. 1,067.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 8.

Resolved that the papers above recorded be forwarded to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State, with

a recommendation that, in consideration of the services rendered by the late Supervisor Campbell, a gratuity of Rupees 1,000 be awarded to his widow.

(True Extract.)

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

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To His Excellency the Governor of Port Louis George
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Henry Walskell

A. H. Steadman

T. W. Cherry
John B. Burnett

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See letter from the
Hon. Secretary
of the 20th Oct 1866
to the Secretary of
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Letter of the Hon. Secy of
the Govt of India
to the Secy of the
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11th April 1866
regarding the
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Believe your petitioner with ever pray.

Mary Anne Campbell

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Superintending Engineer's Office of "Pa."
Camp - Connor 21st March 1866.

From

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Lieut Colonel G. W. Walker R.E.
Superintending Engineer of "Pa."

To,

Colonel C. A. Orr R.E.
Secretary to Government. D.P.W.
Massachusetts.

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Copy in a letter to the Engineer
of 11th April 1866.

Encl: 2
21 March 1866 from
the Deputy Engineer
of the Starke's Ghaut
Road.

20 March 1866

Received of the
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 Your Most Obedient Servant

W. M. S. L. O. R.
 Superintending Engineer

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The Sup^d Engineer 7th Divⁿ
 19th April 1866

Copy in a Letter to England
of 11th April 1866.

P. W. 186 G. Department.
Proc. of Govt for April
No. 1864

PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT. *of Madras*

Dated *4th April 66*

*The correspondence
recommending the grant
of Rupees 1000 to the
widow of late Superior
Campbell forwarded
to the Home Government.*

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28th March 1866. D. 5th April