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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
11th September 1866.*

Read the following papers :—

No. 248. From the Acting Superintendent Engineer, 1st Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Camp, Dowlaishwarum, 4th August 1866, No. 78.

In reply to G. O. No. 249, 17th ultimo, I have the honor to observe that the only difficulty which occurs to me in drawing up the Administration Report for the calendar instead of the official year, will be in comparing allotment of funds, made in the Budget for the latter, with expenditure made for the former.

No. 249. From the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Camp at Bezoarah, 4th August 1866, No. 33.

In reply to G. O. No. 2,249, dated 17th July 1866, I have the honor to express my opinion, that as it has been decided that the financial year shall commence on 1st April, the submission of Administration Reports for the calendar year is not desirable, so far as this Department is concerned, inasmuch as to prepare the returns which usually accompany those reports would, in many instances, be scarcely possible in the midst of the financial year.

No. 250. From the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Camp, Raidroog, 22nd August 1866, No. 1,497.

1. With reference to G. O. No. 2,249, of the 17th ultimo, requesting opinions as to whether Administration Reports might not be for the calendar year, rather than for the official year, I have the honor to inform you that I think such a change would entail a great deal of extra work on all the offices, as they would have to prepare accounts for both periods.

2. For this Department I consider that it would be very beneficial if the official year was made to agree with the calendar year.

No. 251. From the Officiating Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 6th August 1866, No. 1,418.

1. Adverting to Government Order, No. 2,249, dated 17th July 1866, I have the honor to remark that I do not see the advantage of the change contemplated in paragraph 1 of the letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, No. 1,987, dated 19th June 1866, viz., of making the Administration Report in the Public Works Department, a record of the *calendar year*, instead of, as at present of the *official year*.

2. It appears to me that such a change would do away with whatever advantages result from having our official year at all.

3. As the accounts have to be rendered for the official year, it is always our endeavour, as far as possible, to commence and complete the work provided for in each and every Budget allotment within the official year, and it would be

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anomalous therefore to compile the Administration Report, which gives the full history of these operations and accounts with reference to the calendar year.

4. If the report be prepared with reference to the calendar year, it will be less complete than if made for the official year, that is to say, it will show a larger number of works as being partly finished, and, of course, of allotments partially expended, than would be the case if the report be prepared for the official year. It will tend to lead to the adoption of false, unjust conclusions, unfavorable to the Department Public Works.

5. The report, moreover, be thereby made more voluminous, as it would contain the works actioned in two official years, as each calendar year includes one-third of the previous and two-thirds of the immediately succeeding official year, and there are few works noticed in the Administration Report which could be completed in less than twelve months time.

6. So long as the official year is retained, I would deprecate the proposal made, which, if adopted, would only add to the labor and difficulty of preparing the annual Administration Report.

7. The questions raised in paragraph 2 of the letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, refer to the Judicial and Revenue Departments.

No. 252. From the Superintending Engineer, 5th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Salem, 25th July 1866, No. 78.

With reference to the Order of Government of the 17th of July, No. 2,219, I have the honor to state that the Administration Reports of the Department of Public Works cannot conveniently be made except for the year, whether calendar or official, for which funds are allotted. The funds being at present allotted for the official year, most of the works are in an unfinished state on the 1st of January, and great confusion would arise in attempting to review the operations of the Department for the calendar year, and no proper comparison could be made between the allotment for works and expenditure on them.

No. 253. From the Superintending Engineer, 6th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Lower Anicut, 23rd July 1866, No. 469.

With reference to G. O. No. 2,219, dated 17th instant, I have the honor to inform you that the Administration Report may, with advantage, be made a record of the calendar instead of the official year, and, as far as this Department is concerned, it would be very advantageous if the official year corresponded with the calendar year, instead of closing in the middle of the working season, as it now does.

No. 254. From the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Coonoor, 21st July 1866, No. 91.

I have the honor to report with reference to G. O. No. 2,219 of 17th July, that, in my opinion, it is immaterial whether the Administration Reports supplied by Superintending Engineers be sent in for the official or for the calendar year.

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No. 255. From the Officiating Superintending Engineer, 8th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Kodikarnel, 28th July 1866, No. 543.

1. With reference to Government Order No. 2,249 of the 17th July, I have the honor to report that, in my opinion, the Administration Report cannot give a full history of the calendar year unless the official year were to be made coterminous with it.

2. The Administration Report commences with a statement of the allotment of funds for the official year, and the expenditure to correspond; but if the report is to be for the calendar year, the actual outlay can be given from the monthly reports of progress, but the allotment of funds would have to be made up from an assumed proportion as due for expenditure in the three months of the previous official year, and another assumed proportion of the funds allotted for nine months of the current official year. The figures might be made to agree with great accuracy; but they would not show the real expenditure on allotted funds.

3. Again, grants of money are given from the Reserve, at various periods of the official year, but seldom quite towards the end: unless where anticipatory sanction has been given, and when the grant is in reality for adjustment of work actually done; but if a considerable grant be given, say early in December, for expenditure in the official year, the history of the calendar year would show, "materials in course of collection, no expenditure," or "work not commenced yet," which would be an unsatisfactory record of the disposal of funds given for an important work.

4. The Administration Report gives a brief account of the state of progress of each work of magnitude; as if in answer to the question, What is its present condition? Now, when a costly work extends over two or more years, the work to be done in each official year can be laid out, so that a certain section of it will be completed; thus, in making a new road, a definite length of road-way will be metalled, a certain number of tunnels will be finished: and there is a clear record at the end of the official year of work done; but at the close of the calendar year, the present condition of the road would make a long story of portions of earth work thrown up, or of road metalled, tunnels in all stages of progress, and without details being fully gone into, there would be no accurate representation of work performed.

5. In treating of repairs, Agricultural, the annual Report for the calendar year could state with accuracy the works put in order by the end of the previous official year; but in bringing the report up to date, the history of progress would record many works as partially completed; for, as the best working season in some Districts is in the early part of the calendar year, or when the monsoon fails, at the close of the year; many of the minor works are put in hand then, and will be just commenced when the report on them is due: they being intended to be completed by the close of the official year.

6. The causes which have led to money not being expended to the full amount of allotment, would be with difficulty furnished in January, as stated above in paragraph 2, for there would be no definite appropriation of funds for the broken portions of the two official year; it might happen that, in one calendar year, a large

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proportion of funds was expended in the first three months, to work up the allotment of that official year; and that in the next nine months, by activity on the part of the Range Officers in taking advantage of favorable working weather, a large proportion of the funds of the official year would be laid out by the end of December: the record of the calendar year would then show an expenditure greater than that estimated as due for the twelve months: again, conversely, in the following year the expenditure might fall short.

7. In short, the work of this Department is illustrated so entirely by the record of expenditure, that to break in on the period for which money is allotted, must cause the history up to that date to be fragmentary; and not a complete representation of work performed, for which Government have assigned funds.

No. 256. From the Consulting Engineer Irrigation and Canal Company, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 19th July 1866, No. 28.

1. In acknowledging the receipt of the Order of Government No. 2,249, of the 7th instant, I have the honor to inform you that there would not, I think, be any practical difficulty in preparing future Administration Reports for the calendar, instead of the official year, particularly as the close of the former will coincide with the end of the third quarter of the latter; but the report, if prepared for the calendar year, must in a Department like that of Public Works, lose much of its interest and completeness, for it would refer to parts of two official years in which the works under execution would not in many cases be the same, and there would not be that opportunity, which now is found, of comparing results with intentions.

2. As regards the works of the Irrigation Company, the calendar year, as closing before the end of the irrigation season, is less adapted for exhibiting the results of the year's operations than is the official year, which for the future will terminate on the 31st March, or after one year's cultivation has been entirely finished, and before that of the following season has been commenced. Otherwise the Irrigation Company's works are unaffected by the arbitrary limits of the official year, and the progress of the works can be as easily reported on at one time as at another, supposing comparison with the Budget entries not to be requisite.

No. 257. From the Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 21st July 1866, No. 307.

1. With reference to G. O., dated the 17th instant, No. 2,249, communicating a letter from the Secretary to the Government of India regarding the period for which Administration Reports should be furnished in future, I have the honor to state that, with respect to the Railway Department, it would be a great convenience if the Report were to form a record of the calendar, instead of the official year, as all returns, accounts, &c., of the expenditure and working of the Railways are drawn up with reference to the former period, and information upon any subject can be readily obtained.

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2. The adoption of the official year in the Administration Reports has entailed the preparation of separate returns in order to ascertain the expenditure, revenue, &c., for that period. The labor involved in doing this would be saved by the adoption of the calendar year, while one report would contain all the information which, under present arrangements, is rendered in two distinct reports.

No. 258. From the Controller of Public Works Accounts, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 17th August 1866, No. 1,378.

1. In reply to G. O. No. 2,249, dated the 17th ultimo, I have the honor to state that if financial details of the outlay compared with grants under Budget heads of service are not required for the Administration Report, it could in such case be drawn up for the calendar year as easily as for the official year.

2. It appears to me, however, that the Administration Report of a year would not be complete without financial details, which help in comparing the results of the year under review with those of the previous, but particulars of the financial results cannot easily be made for a calendar year. It will be seen from the G.O. No. 2,135, dated 6th July 1866, and my reply thereto of the 7th instant, No. 1,295, that it was no easy matter to distribute the original grants for the official year ending 30th April to the year ending 31st March 1866, though the funds of only one month of the year had to be diminished, and it will be still more difficult to separate the grant and outlay of portions of two years in order to obtain the results necessary to show the transactions of a calendar year, for to do this the transactions of three months of one year and of nine months of the succeeding official year will have to be put together into one account.

No. 259. ORDER THEREON, 11th September 1866, No. 2,894.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 48.

1. These papers will be communicated to the Public Department with reference to the Proceedings of that

Department dated 10th July 1866, No. 695.

2. It will be observed that, in the opinion of the Officers of this Department, it is essential that the Administration Report should be for the financial year, as the assignments for Public Works are made and the Budget and accounts of the Department are prepared for that year. The change proposed by the Government of India would further involve the anomaly of the Administration Report comprising the transactions of three months of one year and of nine months of another.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Public Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No 78

Sup^d Eng^{rs} Office 1st Dn
Camp Dowlaishwarum
4th August 1866.

From, Lieutenant Colonel F. J. Moberly R.E.
As Superintending Engineer 1st Dn

To, Colonel C. A. Orr R.E.
Secretary to Government P.W.D.
Madras.

Sir,

In reply to G.O. No 2249. 17th Ultimo,
I have the honor to observe that the only
difficulty which occurs to me in drawing
up the Administration Report for the Calen-
dar instead of the official year, will be
in comparing allotment of funds, made
in the Budget for the latter, with expenditure
made for the former.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant

F. Moberly

Lt. Col. R.E.

As Superintending Engineer 1st Dn

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No 33
Superintendent's Office
Camp at Byonah
4 August 1866.

From
Lieut Colonel G. Whincup R.E.
Superintending Engineer
To Colonel C. A. Cox R.E.
Secretary to Government
Madras

Sir In reply to G. O. No 2217 dated
17 July 1866. I have the honor to express
my opinion that as it has been decided
that the financial year shall
commence on 1 April, the submission
of Administration Reports for the
Calendar year is not desirable so
as far as this Department is concerned,
inasmuch as to prepare the returns
which usually accompany those reports
would in many instances be scarcely
possible in the midst of the financial
year.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient servant,

Geo. Whincup Lieut Col R.E.

Superintending Engineer

P. M. 1866 & 1867
Proc. of Govt. for the
Year 1866-67

The City of Madras
Madras

To The Secretary, Govt.
Madras

Madras 24 August 1866
No 11

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Report is drawn up
of the Administration
Report for Calendar
instead of financial year.

P. M. 1866 & 1867

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Superint^g Eng^g Office 3rd Divⁿ
 Ball's Bluff
 Charleston S.C.
 Camp Pendleton
 22nd August 1886.

No 1499

From The Superintending Engineer
 3rd Division
 To The Secretary to Government
 S. W. Dept^{mt}

Sir,
 With reference to A.O. No. 2249 of
 the 17th ultimo, requesting opinions as to
 whether Administrative Reports might
 not be for the Calendar Year, rather than
 for the Official Year, I have the honor
 to inform you that I think such a change
 would entail a great deal of extra work
 on all the offices, as they would have to
 prepare accounts for both periods.

For this Department I consider
 that it would be very beneficial if
 the Official Year was made to agree with the
 Calendar year.

I have the honor to be,
 A. W. M. Major, R.E.
 Superint^g Eng^g 3rd Division

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From the Superintendent, 3rd Division

2nd Division

To the Secretary to Govt

S. W. Dept^{mt}

Chas. S. S. S.

Order 4? August
 Revised 9. 1886.

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Respectfully his opinion
 that the submission
 of administrative
 Reports for Calendar
 Year is not desirable
 so far as this Dept^{mt}
 is concerned.

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From N^o 3519.
The Sup^y. Engineer
3^d Division

To The Secy. to Govt.
P.W.D.

Dated 27th Aug^r 1866.
Recd. 28th —

N^o 1197.

Reports that Administra-
tion reports would entail extra
work if prepared for the Calen-
dar year

N^o 250

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no 2894-117 Sept 6/66

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N^o 1418. Superintending Engineers Office 4th D^{iv}.
Madras 6th August 1866.

From

Captain J. Goddard R.E.
Off^r Superintending Engineer 4th D^{iv}.

To

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

Sir,

Adverting to Government order N^o 2249
dated 17th July 1866, I have the honor to remark that
I do not see the advantage ^{of the} change contemplated in
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Department, a record of the Calendar year in-
stead of, as at present of the Official Year

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from having our Official year at all.

3 All the Accounts have to be rendered
for the Official Year, it is always our endeavour as
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provided for in each and every budget allotment
within the Official year, and it would be anoma-
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To
Colonel C. A. Orr R.E.
Secretary to Government
P.M.D.

No 48
Superintending Engineer's Office 5th Div.
Salem 25th July 1866.

From
The Superintending Engineer,
5th Division.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Department Public Works.

Sir,
With reference to the Order of Government of the 14th of July. # 2249, I have the honor to state that the Administration Reports of the Department of Public Works cannot conveniently be made except for the year, whether Calendar or Official, for which funds are allotted. The funds being at present allotted for the Official year, most of the works are in an unfinished state on the 1st of January, and great confusion would arise in attempting to review the operations of the Department for the Calendar year, and no proper comparison could be made between the allotment for works and expenditure on them.

I have the honor to be
Sir,

Your most obedient servant.

E A Ford Lieut. Col. R.E.
Superintending Engineer, 5th Division

OR 1866 & 1867
from the Office
of the Secretary to
Government

Dated 15th
August 1866.

No 48

Placed the
original made by
the Secretary to the
Engine & of Public Works
under the supervision of the
Superintendent of the
Public Works. The
original is now in the
Office of the Secretary to
Government.

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Supg Engr's office 6th St.
Lower Mericant 23rd July 1866

No 469

From,
Captain R. F. Baker R.E.
Supg Engineer 6th St.
Co. Colonel C. A. Orr. R.E.
Secretary to Government at Wm.

Sir,
With reference to G.O. No 2249,
dated 17th Instant, I have the honor
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it would be very advantageous if
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with the Calendar year instead
of ^{closing} in the middle of the working
Season as it now does.

I have the honor to be
Sir,

Your most Obedt Servt
R. F. Baker Captain R.E.
Supg Engineer 6th St.

19th July 1866
From
The Superintendent Engineer
5th Division

The Secretary to Government
Department Public Works
G.O. No 25
Remind 30th July 1866.

19th July

Enclosure none.

Noting that it will not be
convenient to make Adminis-
tration Reports for the
Calendar year.

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19th July 1866

No. 91
 Suprs Engineer's Office
 From Coonor, 21st July 1866
 Lieut Col. G. W. Walker R. L.
 Suprs Engineer 7th Division
 To Colonel C. N. Orr R. L.

Secy. to Govt. D. W. Madras.
 Sir,

I have the honor to report with
 reference to G. O. No. 2249 of 17th July,
 that in my opinion it is imma-
 -terial whether the Administration
 Reports supplied by Suprs Engineers
 be sent in for the Official or for
 the Calendar year. —

I have the honor to be
 Sir,

Your most obed. Servant
 G. W. Walker Lieut. Col. R. L.
 Suprs Engineer 7th Div.

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The Suprs Engrs
 G. W. Walker

The Secretary to
 Government
 D. W.

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States that the
 Administration

Report may be made
 a record of the

Calendar year

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From A 3021
The Sup^r Eng^r 17/10
To
The Secy. to Govt. D. W.
Madras

Dated 27th July 1866.
Rec^d 27th July 1866.

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Opinion regarding the
submission of Admini-
stration Reports, for Offi-
cial or for Calendar
year -

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No 543
Superint^r Engineer's Office
Kodikarnal 28th July 1866

From
Captain H. L. Pendergast
Off^r Superintending Engineer S. W.
To
Colonel C. A. Orr R.
Secretary to Government D. W.

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3. Again, grants of money are given from the Reserve at various periods of the Official year, but seldom quite towards the end: unless where anticipatory sanction has been given, and when the grant is in reality for adjustment of work actually done: but if a considerable grant to be given, say early in December, for expenditure in the Official year, the history of the Calendar year would show, "materials in course of collection", "no expenditure" or "work not commenced yet" which would be an unsatisfactory record of the disposal of funds given for an important work.

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Q. The Causes which have led to money not being expended to the full amount of allotment, would be with difficulty finished in January: as stated above in para 2: for there would be no definite appropriation of funds for the broken portions of the two Official years: it might happen, that in one calendar year, a large proportion of funds was expended in the first 3 months, to work up the allotment of that Official year; and that in the next 9 months, by activity on the part of the Range Officer, in taking advantage of favorable working weather, a large proportion of the funds of the Official year would be laid.

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J. In short the work of this Department is illustrated so entirely by the record of expenditure, that to break in on the periods for which money is allotted, must cause the history up to that date, to be fragmentary; and not a complete representation of work performed, for which Government have assigned funds.

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Hewitt & Co. Captain R.
Offr Superintending Engineer
S^d Division.

Consulting Engineer's Office,
Irrigation and Canal Co.
Madras 19th July 1866

To
Captain John Mullins R.E.
Consulting Engineer Sand & Co.

To
Colonel C. F. O'Connell R.E.
Secretary to Government P.W.D.

Sir,
1 In acknowledging the receipt of the
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I have the honor to inform you that there is
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son with the Budget entries not to be
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I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient servant

Wm. Mullins Captain R.E.

Consulting Engineer M.C.E.

Compd Off

Railway Department

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

No. 307-

From

Major J. A. M. Shaw Stewart R.E.
Acting Consulting Engineer for Railways,

To

Colonel G. A. Orr R.E.
Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Fort Saint George.

Sir,

With reference to L. O. dated the 17th instant, 1884, communicating a letter from the Secretary to the Government of India regarding the period for which Administration Reports should be furnished in future, I have the honor to state that, with respect to the Railway Department, it would be a great convenience if the Reports were to form a record of the Calendar, instead of the Official year, as all Returns, Accounts, &c., of the expenditure and working of the Railways are drawn up with reference to the former period, and information upon any Subject can be readily obtained -

The

Per J. A. M. Shaw Stewart R.E.
17th July 1884
J. A. M. Shaw Stewart R.E.
Acting Consulting Engineer

J. A. M. Shaw Stewart R.E.
The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
Fort Saint George

Revised 19
17th July 1884

It seems that there would be no trouble in preparing a calendar of the Administration Reports for the Calendar instead of the Official year.

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in the Administration Reports has entailed the
preparation of separate Returns in order to ascertain
the Expenditure, Revenue, &c. for that period. The
labor involved in doing this would be saved by the
adoption of the Calendar Year, while one Report
would contain all the information which, under
present arrangements, is rendered in two distinct
Reports.

Madras
21 July
1868

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Yr most Obedt Servant.
James Stewart Esq. &c
Acting Consulting Engineer Railways

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Office of the Controller of P.W.
Accounts
Madras 17th August 1866

N^o 1348

From
Captain J. F. Fischer C.E.
Controller of Public Works Accounts

To Colonel C. A. Orr C.E.
Secretary to Government Public Works Dept.
Fort Saint George.

Sir

In reply to G.O. N^o 2249
dated the 17th ultimo, I have the honor to
state that if financial details of the outlay
compared with grants under Budget heads
of Service are not required for the Ad-
ministration Report, it could in such
case be drawn up for the Calendar
year as easily as for the Official year.

It appears to me however
that the Administration Report of a
year would not be complete without
financial details which helps in compa-
ring the results of the year under re-
view with those of the previous - but
particulars of the financial results
cannot easily be made for a Calendar
year.

Railway Department

From

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways,

To

The Secretary to Government,

Public Works Department,

Fort Saint George,

Dated 24th July 1866.

Received 28th

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It states that it would

be a great convenience

if the Report were to

form a record of the

Calendar instead of the

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year. - It will be seen from the G.O. No. 2135 dated 6th July 1866 and my reply thereto of the 7th Instant. V. 1295. that it was no easy matter to distribute the original grants for the official year ending 30th April to the year ending 31st March 1866 though the funds of only one month of the year had to be diminished and it will be still more difficult to separate the grant and outlay of portions of two years in order to obtain the results necessary to shew the transactions of a Calendar year, for to do this the transactions of three months of one year and of 9 months of the succeeding official year will have to be put together into one account. -

I have the honor to be
Sir

Controller of P. M. Accts.

To
The Secretary to Government.

Ly M.

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT
under date the 11th Sept 1866.
Read the following

From the Acting Supy Engr of the P. W. Department - No. 78 of 4th Aug. 1866
" " Superintending Engr. " 3 " " " 1497 " 22 " "
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" " Superintending Engr " 6 " " " 469 " 23 " "
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" " " " " 10 " " " " 307 " 21 " "
" " Consulting Engineer for Railways " " " 1378 " 17 Aug. "
" " Controller of P. W. Accounts " " " " " "

These papers will be com-
municated to the Public Dep-
tment with reference to the Pro: of
that Dept of 10 July 1866, No 695
It will be observed that
in the opinion of the Officers
of this Dept, it is essential that
the Administration Report
should be for the financial
year as the assignments for
P. Works are made and the
Budget and accounts of the
Dept are prepared for that
year. The change proposed

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No 3393

From
The Engineer of P. W.
Accounts

To the Secy to Govt. of M. D.
for change

Dated 11th Aug 5th 1866
No 1398

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the expenditure of Admin-
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by the Govt of India would
further involve the anomaly
of the Administration Report
comprising the transaction
of three months of one year
and of nine months of
another. -

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P. W. 1867. Department.
No. 2024

PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT.

Dated 11 Sept 1867

Contains correspondence
relative to the proposed
drawing up of Administra-
tion Report, for the calendar
instead of the official year,
communicated, &c, to the Pub-
lic Department.

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The Public Dept

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