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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
19th September 1866.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 493. From the Honorary Secretary for Famine Relief Fund, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 14th September 1866, No. 171.

Extract from the Proceedings of the General Famine Relief Committee, held on the 13th September 1866.

XVII. "Read letter from W. Fraser, Esq., c. e., dated 6th September 1866, expressing his willingness to join the Committee, and observing that, under the recent orders of Government, he will be compelled to discontinue the present system of employing the able-bodied poor.

"Resolved that application be made to Government for a copy of the Order referred to by Mr. Fraser, with an expression of the Committee's regret that it should have been found necessary to cancel the orders for providing employment for the able-bodied poor of the town, a measure which is likely considerably to augment the Committee's difficulties in relieving the general distress."

Transferred to the Department Public Works.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

No. 494. From the Acting Collector of Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Saidapet, 15th September 1866, No. 181.

1. At paragraph XVII. of the Proceedings of the Famine Relief Committee, published in to-day's issue of the "Madras Times," I observe that the Committee remark, they have received a letter from Mr. Fraser stating that, under the recent orders of Government, he will be compelled to discontinue the present system of employing the able-bodied poor, and they express their regret that the Government should have found it necessary to cancel their previous instructions.

2. I beg very respectfully to inform the Government that none of the labor offering itself on the Water Works, under construction by Mr. Fraser, has, to my knowledge, been rejected. My instructions to Mr. Clogstoun, who is still at the works, have been to induce Contractors as much as possible to take up the laborers now employed, and all others who may present themselves; but himself to employ, at rates not higher than those paid by the Contractors, such labor as the Contractors decline. I have particularly enjoined him not to send away any person whatsoever who is willing to work at Contractor's rates.

Transferred to the Department Public Works.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
19th September 1866.

No. 495. ORDER THEREON; 19th September 1866, No. 3,008.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 91.

The Government desire that Mr. Fraser should continue to employ as many Madras Coolies as may present themselves on the reduced scale of wages specified by him, or on any scale of wages which may not operate to the prejudice of agricultural labor by drawing away the laborers from the Mirassidars and others in the neighbourhood.

(True Extract.)

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

To W. Fraser, Esq., C. E.
To the Collector of Madras.
.. Famine Relief Committee, with G. O. No. 2,521 of 1866.
.. Revenue Department.
.. Board of Revenue.

Ed. T. O'Connor.

No. 171
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/ A True Copy and Extract /

To
The Chief Secretary to Government.
Honorary Secretary
W. D. Lyell

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Received of the
Hon. Secy to Govt.
the sum of Rs. 1000/-
for the relief of the
famine-stricken
districts of the
Province of
Bengal.
Dated 10th Decr 1877
J. D. Lyell
Hon. Secy to Govt.

Madras Collectors Office
 No 181
 Dated 15 September 1868

To
 J. P. Cockrell Esq
 Acting Collector of Madras

The Honorable A. J. Robertson
 Chief Secretary to Government
 Fort Saint George

At Para XXV of the Proceedings of the
 Famine Relief Committee, published in today's
 issue of the Madras Times, I observe that
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The Government desire that the
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