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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department.
23rd March 1866.*

Read the following papers :—

No. 509. From the Quarter Master General, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Fort Saint George, 15th March 1866, No. 2,907.

1. On the 12th ultimo, the Commander-in-Chief had his attention drawn to an open drain at St. Thomas' Mount, which was represented to him on the spot as being exceedingly obnoxious, affording cover for the commission of nuisances, and that in the immediate neighbourhood of the Church.

2. His Excellency gave strict orders that the attention of the Public Works Department should be drawn to it forthwith.

3. No report having been received at head quarters up to the 26th idem, the Officer Commanding Centre Division was directed to state what was being done in the matter.

4. His reply is as follows, dated 28th idem :—

"In reply to his (Quarter Master General's) docket No. 2,310 of 26th February 1866, informs that the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, was directed to call upon the Range Officer for a report on the open drain referred to, and another on the 1st February 1866; subsequently the subject of the open drain was brought to the notice of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, during his inspection at the Mount, when the Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General, Centre Division, in his letter No. 381 of the 20th February 1866, again called upon the Superintending Engineer to hasten the report which had been previously called for. No reply to those two letters have as yet been received."

5. Still no reply having reached head quarters up to 2nd instant, enquiries were addressed to the Centre Division as to the cause of the delay.

6. But the Commander-in-Chief is still left uninformed and the nuisance continues.

Referred to the Department of Public Works.

(Signed) R. HAMILTON, Colonel,
Dy. Secretary to Government.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
17th March 1866.

Referred to the Superintending Engineer of the 4th Division for immediate explanation.

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

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
19th March 1866.

No. 510. From the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 20th March 1866, No. 4,559.

1 Endorsement of Secretary Public Works Department.
2 Orders of Superintending Engineer.

1. With reference to your endorsement, dated 19th March 1866, on the Quarter Master General's letter, No. 2,907, dated 15th idem (herewith returned), I have the honor to report that the first Memorandum of the Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General, Centre Division, dated 1st February 1866, was received by me on the 2nd idem, on which date I find I passed an Order, No. 4,047, which is enclosed, calling for an early report and estimate. A few days after-

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wards, it seems, the Overseer of Saint Thomas' Mount casually called at my office, and was asked by the Manager to expedite the preparation of the estimates, as they had been urgently called for, and on his return to the Mount he brought the subject to notice. It was then discovered that the order had miscarried, although by an examination of the Letter Despatch book of my office I find it was duly sent. At this time I was absent on a tour in the North Arcot District; hence, the dealings among subordinates to save time. The order was then reiterated in No. 4,285 (which is enclosed), dated 26th February, and the following addition was made to the former order: "Any work urgently required on sanitary grounds should be undertaken at once." The estimates were received from the Executive Engineer on the 8th March, and were forwarded to the Major General for approval on the 13th idem.

2. The expression on the Major General's letter (quoted in paragraph 4 of Colonel Scott's letter), viz., that "the Superintending Engineer was directed to call

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(Sd.) A. J. M. BOILEAU.

upon the Range Officer for a report on the open drain referred to, and another on the 1st February 1866" would lead to the

supposition that I had received some communication before that date, which is not the case.

3. Major Phillips's letter of the 20th February seems to have shared the fate of a great number of other papers addressed to me while on my recent tour, viz., reaching me sometimes eight days after date; and then, being one of scores, all arriving at one time, to be taken up when opportunity could be found for office duties, my continued morning and evening marches and inspections engrossing almost all my time. But, in fact, the letter did not demand a direct reply, as it merely asked me to call upon the Range Officer to hasten his report, and an order to that effect was written to the Executive Engineer, and was on the point of being dispatched when the estimates arrived.

4. I shall proceed to the Mount to-morrow morning to see what action Captain Rogers has taken, to carry out at once all work urgently necessary, as directed by me, and also to look into some further points brought to my notice in a letter from the Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General, Centre Division, No. 686, dated 17th instant.

No. 511.

ORDER THEREON, 23rd March 1866, No. 943.

MILITARY WORKS, No. 24.

Ordered that the letter above recorded from the Superintending Engineer of the 4th Division be communi-

cated to the Military Department, and to the Quarter Master General.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Military Department.

" Quarter Master General.

" Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, with two Enclosures.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

*Quarter Master General's Office,
Fort St. George 15 March 1866*

No 2907.

From

Lieut Colonel J. H. Scott

Quarter Master General

To

Major General H. Marshall

*Secretary to Government
Military Department*

Sir

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant

H. C. B. Smith
Quarter Master General

Camp 20/16

To, Colonel C. A. Der R. L.
Secy to Govt P. D.

Encls.
1 Endorsement
of Secy OFA
2 Copies of
Ref. Encl.

Referred to
Judge Wright.

To Charles F. Johnson

Secretary to Government

William Deharts
Sept 11/78.

March 15th 1897

Recd M^{rs} March

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States that the condition

open drain at St.

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that nothing has been

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in the middle of

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Barrett

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Respect to the
Superintending Engineer
of the Lth Divⁿ for in-
dicate explanation.

Th. Holt
 7th Avenue
 19th March/88
 Secretary of Bank
 Edward. W. B.

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I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obed^t servant

Horace Johnson

Sub Eng^r &c

Sub Eng^r - Office lat^r
Madras
20 March 1866

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MADRAS GOVERNMENT
Under date The 23rd March/86
Read the following

From the Quarter Master Genl. (Here enter No. 2907 dated 15 March 1866.)
From the Suptg Engineer of the 1st Div. (Here enter No. 4559 dated 20 March 1866.)

Ordered that
the letter above
recorded from
the Supg. Engineer
of the 4th Dr. be
forwarded to the
Military Department
and to the Quarter
Master General -

To Miss Dept. ✓
 To Dr. Mr. General ✓
 To SS 4 Dr. H. H. & Co. ✓
 Dec^r 24th March



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[Signature]

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To 31/10/65. S.D. 10/10/65
 Report from the Ministry
 of the Interior
 The Ministry of the Interior
 1st Dec 1965
 Dear Mr. Secretary to the
 Ministry of the Interior
 I have the honor to acknowledge
 the receipt of your letter of
 24/10/65 and in reply to inform
 you that the same has been
 forwarded to the relevant
 authorities for their consideration.
 I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours faithfully,
 The Secretary to the
 Ministry of the Interior

P. W. 1866. Department.
of Genl for March
No. 943

PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT. *of India*

Dated 23 March 1867

Letter from the Supt
of 4. In relation to the
delay in the repair of
the drain at Saint Thomas.
House - Counts to the Supt
Depto and to the Lt. Master
General

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