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8th January 1867.*

No. 110. Read the following letter from the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Coimbatore, 14th December 1866, No. 192:—

Canara District.

1. Of the maintenance allowance for Codekul Ghaut and Road from its foot at Charmady by Beltangady to Buntwall, heavy repairs to the portion east of Beltangady have absorbed so much that the Range Officer applied to me for additional funds. These, I informed him, could only be obtained by transfer from the maintenance allowance of some other road in his charge, the condition of which was such as to allow of the same. He has accordingly reported that 600 Rupees may be so transferred to advantage from the allowance for the road between Mangalore and Karkul, leading towards the Agoomby Ghaut, now in excellent order. I accordingly request the sanction of Government for the arrangement in question, which I have, meanwhile, authorized Lieutenant Thompson to carry out.

2. It is my intention to submit, for provision of funds from the Reserve of next year, an estimate for widening the Codekul Ghaut, within South Canara limits, in some rocky places where carts cannot pass each other with ease; but it will not be of much use pushing forward repairs and improvements on the Canara side, so long as the portion within Mysore limits is allowed to be shut up till a late period of the year for want of regular monsoon repairs. In my letter printed with G. O. No. 765, of 7th March 1866, I had to report that the Codekul Ghaut within Mysore limits was impassable for cart traffic up to end of January. I have now the honor to submit an extract from the Range Officer's letter, which shows it to have been impassable last month. In an Inspection Report quoted in G. O. No. 1,099, of 10th April 1866, I observe it stated that no repairs whatever were done to the Mysore portion of the ghaut from the end of March 1865 to the 6th December of the same year, and that such state of things was considered unavoidable. I think that what can be done in Canara in the way of *bona fide* monsoon repairs, could also and should be done in Mysore, and trust that measures will be enforced accordingly. I take this opportunity respectfully to state, from personal knowledge, that the Commissioner of Mysore was mistaken in his statement printed with G. O. last quoted, as to the Codekul Ghaut having been first opened for cart traffic at the end of the working season of 1864. It may have been shut up and re-opened then, but had been used by carts some years before, of which I can produce ample testimony, if necessary.

Extract of a letter from Lieutenant R. THOMPSON, R. E., Assistant Engineer, to the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, No. 245 of 15th November 1866.

4. "There is at present but little traffic on the Codekul Ghaut owing, I believe, to the road above Canara limits being in a bad state. On the 8th instant I inspected the ghaut up to, and a short way within, Mysore limits, and the road from the Canara boundary upwards, as far as I went, was certainly impassable for wheel traffic. The Maistry, Mahomed Hossein, in charge of the lower portion of ghaut and the road from Charmady to Beltangady, informed me that a few days before the 8th instant, a bandy had been driven up the ghaut as far as the Mysore

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"frontier; but on arriving there the owner of the bandy was obliged to have it taken to pieces,
"and carried by coolies who had come with him for the purpose.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Lieut.-Colonel, R. E.,
Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.

No. 111. ORDER THEREON, 8th January 1867, No. 51.

ACCOUNT, No. 5.

1. The transfer of funds recommended in paragraph 1 of this letter is sanctioned.

2. The subject of paragraph 2 will be brought under the notice of the Commissioner of Mysore.

(Here enter No. 52, dated 8th January 1867.)

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.
,, Controller of Public Works Accounts.
,, Accountant General.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT SAINT GEORGE,
8th January 1867.

No. 52.

No. 112.

To

THE COMMISSIONER FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE TERRITORIES OF

HIS HIGHNESS THE RAJAH OF MYSORE.
SIR,

CIVIL WORKS, No. 29.

To Commissioner, 7th March 1866, No. 765A.
From do, 19th ,, ,, Nos. 5,787-51.

With reference to the correspondence marginally noted, I am directed to forward herewith the accompanying letter, with its enclosure, from the Superintending Engineer of the 7th Division, and to request attention to paragraph 2, from which it appears that the Codé Cul Ghaut within Mysore limits was impassable for cart traffic in November 1866 when it was inspected by the Range Officer, Lieutenant Thompson.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

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

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Extract of a letter from Lieut. R. Thompson Bt. Assistant Engineer
to the Superintending Engineer of the Division No. 245. of 15th
November 1886.

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" on the Goddard ghaut owing I believe to the road
" above Kanara limits being in a bad state. On the
" 8th Instant, I inspected the ghaut up to and
" a short way within Mysore limits, and the road
" from the Kanara boundary upwards, as far as
" I went was certainly impassable for wheel traffic.
" The District Engineer Mysore in charge of the lower
" portion of ghaut and the road from Channaray
" to Belkangady informed me that a few days before
" the 8th Instant a bandy had been driven up the
" ghaut as far as the Mysore frontier, but on arriving
" there the owner of the bandy was obliged to have it
" taken to pieces and carried by coolies who had come
" with him for the purpose."

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True Extract

W. Walker Bt. Asst. Engr.
Superintending Engineer, Mysore

No. 192

Superintending Engineer's Office
Mysore 14th December 1886

From Lieutenant Colonel G. W. Walker M.C.
Superintending Engineer 7th Div.

To Colonel G. A. O'Connell M.C.
Secretary to Government S.P.W.

Sir

Canara District

Of the Maintenance Allowance for Kodethal Ghant and Road from its foot at Channaray by Bellatungady to Bunkwall, heavy repairs to the portion east of Bellatungady have absorbed so much that the Range Officer applied to me for additional funds. I have informed him could only be obtained by transfer from the Maintenance Allowance of some other road in his charge, the condition of which was such as to allow of the same. He has accordingly reported that some way be so transferred to advantage from the Allowance for the Road between Mangalore and Kothul leading towards the Agumby Ghant, now in excellent order. I accordingly request the sanction of Government for the arrangement in question, which I have, meanwhile, authorized Lewis Thompson to carry out.

2.

It is my intention to submit, for provision of funds from the Reserve of next year, an estimate for widening the Kodethal Ghant within South Canara limits in some rocky places where carts cannot pass each other with ease; but it will

In a letter No. 193 from
the Engineer, 7th Div.
to the Secy. to Govt.
Mysore dated 14th Dec 1886

No. 5133/86

Received a letter from Mr.
Thompson Secretary to
the Engineer, 7th Div.
No. 245 of 15th Dec 1886
reporting on the state of
Kodethal Ghant & road.

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-provements on the Kanara side so long as the portion
within Mysore limits is allowed to be shut up till
a late period of the year for want of regular Monsoon
repairs. In my letter printed with L.O. No. 765 of
7th March 1866, I had to report that the Kodakul Ghaut
within Mysore limits was impassable for cart traf-
-fic up to end of January. I have now the honor to
submit an Extract from the Range Officers letter
which shows it to have been impassable last month.
In an Inspection Report quoted in L.O. No. 1099 of 10th
April 1866, I observe it stated that no repairs
whatsoever were done to the Mysore portion of the
Ghaut from the end of March 1865 to the 6th Dec-
-ember of the same year, and that such state of
things was considered unavoidable. I think that
what can be done in Kanara in the way of improv-
-ing repairs, could also and should be done
in Mysore, and trust that measures will be en-
-forced accordingly. I take this opportunity respect-
-fully to state, from personal knowledge, that the
Commissioner of Mysore was mistaken in his state-
-ment printed with the L.O. last quoted, as to the
Kodakul Ghaut having been first opened for cart
traffic at the end of the working season of 1864.
It may have been shut up and reopened then, but
had been used by carts some years before, of which
I can produce ample testimony, if necessary.

I have the honor to be
Sir,

Your most Obedt. Servant
Wm. Keith St. John
Superintendent.

8th January 1867

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Prof. of Govt. of India
No. 5133

The Sup. Engr. 7th Div.

To
The Secy. to Govt.
S. P. M. Madras

Dated 11th December 1866
No. 5173

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Recommend to transfer
Rs 600 from the allow.
ance for the Road from
Mangalore to Karakul towards
Agumby Chant to the
repair of Coode's Chant
road from its foot at
Charmady to Bellangur
to Buntwell.

No. 110
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No. 51
PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT
under date the 8th Jan 1867
Read the following

From the Superintendant of
the 7th Division —

(Here enter No. 192 dated 14th Dec/66)

The transfer of funds
recommended in Para 1 of
this letter is sanctioned.

The subject of Para
2 will be brought under the
notice of the Commissioner
of Mysore.

No. 52
To
The Commissioner for the
Govt. of the Territories
of N. N. the Rajah of
Mysore.

Sir,
With reference to the
correspondence, marginally noted,
I am directed to forward
herewith the accompanying

To the 1st Engr 7th Div.
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Recd 27th January 1867

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To Commissioner of Mysore
From Do
19th Dec 1866

For St. George
8th January 1867

letter, with its enclosure, from
 the 1 Engr of the 7th D^o, and
 to nearest attention to Para 2,
 from which it appears that
 the Code Coll Ghat within
 Mysore limits was impracticable
 for Carb traffic in Nov^r
 1866 when it was inspected by the
 Range Officer, Lt. Thompson.

P. W. 186 Y. Department.
 Proc. of Govt for Survey
 No. 51952

PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT of Madras

Dated 8th January/67.

[Signature]

Paying orders on a letter
 from the Supg. Engr of the
 7th D^o requesting sanction
 to certain transfers of funds
 for the maintenance of Code
 Coll Ghat and submitting
 with remarks an extract
 from a letter from Lieutenant
 Thompson & Co. bringing
 to notice the condition of
 that portion of the G. Coll^r
 which lies within Mysore
 limits.

Recd^d with ^{copy of} G.O. No 51, 9th Jan^y 1867

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21st Dec^r 1866 D^o Jan^y 1867

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