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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
30th January 1868.*

No. 621. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the
Revenue Department:—

Desiring the Board of Revenue to report what
amount is available for the extension of the
East Coast Canal, and whether the funds on } (Here enter 22nd January 1868, No 183.)
hand cannot be employed on the extension of
the Canal northwards from Dugarazpatam. }

No. 622. ORDER THEREON, 30th January 1868, No. 318.

LOCAL FUNDS, No. 64.

Account.

Communicated to the Superintend-
ing Engineers of the 2nd and 4th Divi-
sions.

(True Extract.)

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

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
22nd January 1868.*

No. 368. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 8th January 1868:—

Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of Nellore, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Nellore, 29th December 1867, No. 1,783.

1. With reference to paragraph 4 of Government Order, dated 28th November 1867, No. 2,826, Revenue Department, communicated in Board's Proceedings, dated 29th November 1867, No. 7,888, I have the honor to forward, herewith, copy of a letter from the Superintending Engineer, whom I consulted as to the selection of works suited for relief purposes in case of a season of scarcity. Colonel Winscom states that the plans and estimates of these local roads are now nearly ready, and that the Survapulli irrigation works, (an Imperial project lately taken in hand), will also afford labor to a large number of persons.

2. If there should be necessity to undertake special Imperial relief works, I would beg to recommend one which would have a most beneficial influence on the interests of the district, and that is the extension of the East Coast Canal from Dugarazpatam to Nellore, via Krishnapatam, with a view to its connection hereafter with the canal from Rajahmundry to Bezvara. Direct through canal communication from Rajahmundry to Madras, will do much to open up the traffic of the intermediate districts, to which a railway is not likely to be extended for very many years. If this be approved, the preparation of plans and estimates should be undertaken at once.

3. There is also a very important line of road connecting Nellore with Cud-dapah, via the Dornal Pass, the plans and estimates for the completion of which are at present before Government. Up to this time a great part of this road has never been made, and is only a bandy track.

From the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division, to the Acting Collector of Nellore, dated Camp at Ongole, 14th December 1867, No. 102.

1. In reply to your letter, No. 1,619, dated 3rd instant, as I presume your request is with reference to the apprehended famine, I have seen noticed in the newspapers during the approaching hot season, I beg to inform you that surveys and estimates are now all but ready for the road from Nellore to Someswaram, from Gudur to Venkatagiri, and from Kavali to Kaligiri. On all of these lines, the laboring classes who need work may very usefully be employed in any numbers who are willing to take work.

2. The Survapulli irrigation project will, likewise, afford employ to a vast number of people, should it be necessary.

1. Submitted for the information of Government.

2. The Board consider the selection of works made by the Acting Collector and Superintending Engineer to be excellent; but they would, of course, only afford employment to those who could leave their houses for periods of some duration. Tank repairs and cross-roads, in convenient localities, form, perhaps, the best mode of finding work for those who cannot leave their villages during periods of famine.

3. Mr. Boswell is requested to report, at once, to what sum the rough estimate for the Coast Canal amounts. He should also name any additional allotments which he would propose to make for the other works proposed.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
22nd January 1868.*

No. 369.

ORDER THEREON, 22nd January 1868, No. 183.

Local Funds, No. 10.

Civil Works.

1. The Government observe that according to the Local Fund Budget for 1868-69 a surplus sum of about Rupees 80,000 is available for the extension of the Coast Canal.

2. They desire to know, with the least possible delay, how much of this is now in hand, and whether it cannot be employed on the extension of the canal northwards from Dugarazpatam, for which plans and estimates were approved some years ago.

3. The Supreme Government will be requested to reply to the application made to them in the letter from this Government, dated 17th November 1864, No. 2,110, paragraph 4, for the accumulated surplus receipts from the canal which have been credited to general revenue in past years.

(True Extract.)

[Signature]

Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Public Works Department.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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*Comm. to the
Supy Engineers of the
2 Divisions -*

*For St George
20th Jan 1868*

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