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No. 537. Read the following letter from the Acting Consulting Engineer for Irrigation and Canal Company, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 18th October 1869, No. 78 :—

I HAVE the honour to submit, for the sanction of Government, two bills of cost, aggregating Rupees 7,732·2-10, for clearing silt in the first five miles of the main canal in the year 1869, and, in explanation of estimates not having been forwarded for previous sanction, to observe that the work was done without authority, apparently under the erroneous belief that because the Government had, in the Order as per margin, sanctioned expenditure of this kind being in future debited to Revenue, authority was thereby given for such work being executed from time to time, and the expense charged to the Revenue account. The rates charged on this occasion show some improvement on those of the former year, being from six to eight cubic yards per rupee, and one small quantity, in the first mile, was done at the rate of ten cubic yards per rupee ; while in the preceding year similar work, for which a sum of Rupees 22,172 was sanctioned in the Order quoted above, the rates varied from four and a half to seven cubic yards per rupee ; but I consider they are still much too high.

No. 1,270, 24th April 1868, paragraph 7.

No. 538. ORDER THEREON, 26th October 1869, No. 3,448.

IRRIGATION, No. 20.

THE bills are sanctioned.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company.
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Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Consulting Engineer's Office
Irrigation & Canal Company
Madras 18th Oct 1869.

No. 78.

From,

Colonel A. Cotton, R.E.
Consulting Engineer for I. & C. Co.

To,

The Secretary to Government
Department of Pub. Works.

Sir,

I have the honor to submit for the sanction of Government two bills of cost amounting Rupees 7,732.2.10 for clearing all in the first five miles of the Main Canal in the year 1869 and in explanation of estimates have been forwarded for previous sanction to observe that the work was done without authority, apparently under the erroneous belief that because the Government had in the order as per margin sanctioned expenditure of this kind being in future debited to Revenue, authority was thereby given for such work being executed from time to time and the expense charged to the Revenue account. The rates charged on this occasion show some improvement on those of the former year, being from six to eight cubic yards

No. 1270-24th April 1869 para. 7

Under her Engineer and one assistant
The 1st while was done at the rate of 10 cubic
yards per working while in the preceding year
similar work for which a sum of Rupees
22172 was paid Joined in the Order quoted above,
The rates varied from four and a half to seven
cubic yards per rupee but the Contractors they are
still much the same.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient
Humble Servant
H. Hamilton Capt. R.E.
Commanding Engineer

The Bills are passed.
A. 3468
Capt. H. Hamilton
Con. Engr. for Works
Engineer for Works
Dated 18th Oct 1869.

From Capt. H. Hamilton R.E.
Commanding Engineer
To The Secretary to Govt. of B.C.

Dated 18th Oct 1869.
Rec'd 19th Oct 1869.

No. 2.

Submits for sanction
2 bills of cost Rs: 7732.2.
for clearing silt in the 1st five
miles of Main Canal in 1869.

No 3668-26-Oct 69

With an order

Rec 4392

Govt. of {1869} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Consulting Engr.
for the Madras Irrigation
and Canal Company

Dated

Recd. Encl.

G. O. 7th October 1869. No. 3448

Nos. 537-538

Main Canal (No 1 & 66)

Bills amounting to Rs 7732-2-0
for clearing silt in the first
five miles of the Company's
Main Canal in 1869, Sanct.