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Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 17th February 1870.

No. 352. Read the following letter from the Officiating Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 11th February 1870, No. 5,571:—

I HAVE the honour to submit, for the orders of Government, a letter* from Mr. Fraser requesting that he may be allowed to remain in Madras until certain surveys and estimates are completed.

* No. 213, dated 9th February 1870.

From W. FRASER, Esq., C. E., Executive Engineer, East Coast Canal Range, to the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, dated Madras, 9th February 1870, No 213.

WITH reference to my transfer to the Kurnool District I have the honour to request that you will be good enough to apply to the Government for permission for my retaining my present charge until the plans and estimates of the following works are completed:—

1. *The Junction Canal.*—The survey and detailed section are completed. The centre line has been lockspitted, and furlong stones, as bench-marks, put in.

The plans are being copied, and the estimate is in hands. To complete these, as also the plans and estimates of the bridges and other works, will take to about the end of this month.

2. *The extension to Kistnapatam.*—The plans and estimate are complete for the first 11¼ miles; of the remaining 10¼ miles the survey is completed, and bench-mark stones have been put in, and the levels checked and fixed all the way to the Rampairu River.

What remains to be done are these—

(1.) The line to be laid out from Kanapur to the Ramperu, 10¼ miles, and the detailed section of this portion prepared.

(2.) The plans to be copied and estimate completed.

I think that going to the place and returning and doing all the works would occupy me about a month. It is extremely difficult to move about in that locality. There is no road and no means of carriage except coolies, and they are scarce and difficult to be got; still I think I can complete the whole in a month as I know the ground well.

3. *Extension to Lingachetty Choultry from the Palar.*—The length of this is 12 miles. The survey is completed, but it is not a very good one; however, it will do with a few additions here and there.

The centre line has to be marked out upon the ground, and the section and estimate prepared.

As I have marked out the line in a general way already, and as the country is for the most part open, I could have the plans and estimates sent up complete in about a month including the map and section of the Chinnar, a branch channel which runs up to the Pondicherry Road south of the Palar.

4. Besides the above it would occupy me about a fortnight or three weeks to compare the 418 cross sections taken for estimates (and sent up with my letters, No. 105, dated 20th August 1869; No. 115, dated 13th September 1869; and No. 127, dated 23rd September 1869) with the canal for the purpose of checking the work done. In the last letter noted above I requested that the sections should be returned to me for this purpose. Will you be good enough to have these sections returned as soon as possible, as this comparison must be made before I leave, and I wish to go about it at once?

5. I trust that the Government will permit me to complete the plans and estimates alluded to above before I proceed to Kurnool. If they are completed now the works can be taken up at any time by any one else; but it would be inconvenient and awkward for any one else to undertake the completion of plans and estimates which are so far forward. I shall complete them as fast as it is possible to do so.

I shall be much obliged if you will be good enough to obtain an early reply to this letter as I wish to make the necessary arrangements without delay.

No. 353. ORDER THEREON, 17th February 1870, No. 557.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 34.

UNDER the assurance contained in this letter that the plans and estimates, which have been so long under preparation by Mr. Fraser for the proposed junction canal through Madras and for the extension northwards of the Coast Canal to Kistnapatam, are so nearly ready that, if allowed, he will be able to complete them very shortly, His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to authorize Mr. Fraser to remain on duty in the Madras District till the 31st March next on the understanding that the plans and estimates in question will be submitted by him by that date.

2. As no funds are likely to be available for some years to come for the work of extending the Coast Canal southward, His Excellency the Governor in Council is of opinion that the survey to Lingachetty Choultry may be deferred.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineers, 3rd and 4th Divisions.
,, Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

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Supt. Engr. Office 4th Divn.
No. 5571. Madras 11th February 1870

From,
Lieut. Colonel J. Dean R.E.
Offg. Superintending Engineer 4th Divn.

To.
Colonel C. A. Orr R.E.
Secretary to Government P.W. Dept.
Fort Saint George

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J. Dean Lt Colel
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Public Works Department

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Under date the 17th February 1870

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From the Offg Secy to Govt P.W.D. No 557/13 dated 4th February 1870

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The Offg Secy Engineer

4th Division

To

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Dated

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To the S. Engrs 3d & 4th Dists
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Govt. of [illegible] Mdras.

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To The Superintending Engineers
S. & N. Divisions

Dated

Read. Fwd.

G. O., 17 July 1870. No. 557.

Nos. 352-353

From Mr. Ewbank. Referring orders on the letter from the Secy. to the Govt. of India submitting one from Mr. Ewbank, Engr. Tracer requesting that he may be allowed to remain in Madras until certain Surveys & Estimates are completed.