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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
21st September 1870.*

No. 376. Read the following Docket of the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Account—Buildings and Roads,) dated Simla, 2nd September 1870, No. 306 A. B. :—

Governments of Madras, Bombay, Bengal, North Western Provinces and Punjab.
Chief Commissioners, Central Provinces, Oudh, British Burmah and Mysore.
Resident, Hyderabad.
Agents to the Governor-General, Central India and Rajpootana
Superintendent, Port Blair and Nicobars.

Copy of the following forwarded to the Local Governments and Administrations noted in the margin, for information and circulation to the Public Works Department.

By Order,
(Signed.) J. J. McLEOD INNES,
Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of India.

To the Secretary to the Government of Madras.

No. ——— A—B, dated ——— September 1870.

RESOLUTION.—The Governor-General in Council observes that the estimate sanctioned by the Government of ——— for the construction of a ——— in 1863, amounted to Rupees 15,536, and that the work has actually cost Rupees 51,253, being Rupees 35,717, or nearly 230 per cent. in excess of the sanctioned estimate.

2. This large excess has occurred chiefly on the two following heads :—

					Quantity.	Rate.	Cost.
					Cubic feet.		Rs.
BRICK-WORK.							
Estimate ...	...	...	...	...	46,830	Rs. 16½ per 100 c. ft.	7,637
Actual outlay ...	...	...	...	...	61,774	„ 63 „ „	39,007
Excess ...					14,944	Rs. 47½ per 100 c. ft.	31,370
WOOD-WORK.							
Estimate ...	...	...	...	...	1,936	Rs. 2 per foot.	3,456
Actual outlay ...	...	...	...	...	...	„ 4½ „	8,567
Excess ...					...		5,111

3. Making every allowance for the high cost of labour employed on this work, there must still remain a considerable proportion of the very large excess above indicated, which can only be attributed to exceedingly bad management and carelessness on the part of ———, the Executive Engineer, evincing culpability, which appears to the Government of India quite inexcusable when that officer's long experience in the department is considered.

4. ——— will, accordingly, be reduced from the 2nd to the 3rd Grade of Executive Engineer, as recommended by the Government of ———, and His Excellency the Governor-General in Council considers that even by this punishment ——— is being very leniently dealt with. This order will have effect from the date of its receipt by the Government of ———.

5. Assistant Engineer ——— and Overseer ——— who have shown themselves to be quite unfit for further employment in the Department will both be removed therefrom forthwith.

6. The excess is passed.

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PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Superintending
Engineers

Order

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Expenditure over sanc-
tioned estimate.
Recd. from the Govt. of Madras
forwarding copy of a Resolution
authorising certain Officers
for incurring expenditure
over sanctioned estimate.
Comd to the Superintending.