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4th October 1870.*

No. 52. Read the following letter from the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Camp at Goorumcondah, Voilpaud Talook, Cuddapah, 20th September 1870, No. 1,376:—

WITH reference to G. O., No. 1,330, of 24th May 1870, I have the honour to inform you, that after consultation with the Collector of Cuddapah and inquiry from the several Range Officers as to the probable amounts that can be spent in each range during the current official year, I am of opinion that not more than 57,000 Rupees can be spent on Repairs Agricultural in the Cuddapah District during the current year, and I am much afraid that even this sum may not be fully expended. Under these circumstances the Collector agrees with me that it would be better to transfer Rupees 15,000 to the Kurnool District, so that it may be utilized instead of allowing it to lapse.

2. This money is required in the Kurnool District, as the irrigation works have not been properly cared for since the district came into our possession.

3. The chief cause for my expecting not to be able to utilize the whole grant allotted for the Cuddapah District in that district is that the estimates are not ready; there are none lying in my office awaiting sanction, but every one is passed on as soon as possible to the Collector for approval, etc., and then sanctioned.

4. The delay in the preparation of the estimates has been in a great measure occasioned by sickness: in the Poddatoor Range Mr. Supervisor Lewis has been struck with paralysis, and is now away on sick leave until the end of this year. All the Overseers in his range have suffered from fever. In the Pullampett Range Mr. Supervisor Haddock went away in November 1869 on sick leave to Bangalore, and from thence to Europe. From that time until last month the Pullampett Range was under the temporary charge of the Executive Engineer, Cuddapah Range, in addition to his own duties.

5. In the Cuddapah Range Mr. O'Ratigan, who has also been suffering from fever, has had great difficulties to contend with from the opposition and roguery of his subordinates; he discovered great irregularities, etc., on the part of Mr. C. R. A. Ottmann, whom I at last dismissed from his appointment as Talook Overseer. A. Rama Row, B. C. E., another Overseer, who has never been well reported on, and has always shown himself very indolent and inattentive, has been allowed to resign to save himself from being turned out. Mr. Howell, who was a Supervisor, and who had been ordered to submit a certificate for pension, and has at last been struck off the strength of the department, has been, as Mr. O'Ratigan reports, perfectly useless; he was sent to take some longitudinal levels and cross-sections of tank banks, so that Mr. O'Ratigan might himself prepare the estimates, but when submitted they were found to be worthless, and Mr. O'Ratigan could not make head or tail of them. In April last I moved R. Coomarathavoo Moodelliar from Kaderi to the Cuddapah Talook, as I had hoped he would have exerted himself and have tried to push on the work; but since his arrival at Cuddapah he has set himself in direct opposition to the Range Officer. I have only lately discovered, on looking into the books of the Madanapully Range Office, that Coomarathavoo is very self-opinionated, argumentative and stubborn, and given to carp at orders. Mr. O'Ratigan has

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reported unfavourably regarding him, and I purpose, when in Cuddapah, to make full inquiries.

6. In the Madanapully Range I regret to say that I believe the delay in the submission of estimates is chiefly due to Captain Begbie's dilatoriness and neglect. I have sent another head and second Accountant, and I am in hopes before long that these two men will get the office work into good order, as the head Accountant, who was formerly in the Poddatoor Range, has been well trained by Mr. Supervisor Lewis.

No. 53. ORDER THEREON, 4th October 1870, No. 2,390.

ACCOUNT, No. 3.

UNDER the circumstances reported in this letter from the Superintending Engineer of the 3rd Division, the Government sanction the transfer to the Karnool District of Rupees 5,000 out of the 15,000 Rupees for Agricultural Repairs in the Cuddapah District, which it is considered for the reasons given by Colonel Moberly will not be expended in the latter district during the current year. The remaining 10,000 Rupees will be added to the allotment of the Godavery District where funds are urgently required.

2. The Government notice with regret the unfavourable opinion given by the Superintending Engineer of Captain Begbie's management of the Madanapully Range, and Colonel Moberly will be good enough to make a further report on this subject at the end of the official year, when it is hoped that a marked improvement will have been manifested.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineers, 1st and 3rd Divisions.
.. Controller of Public Works Accounts.
.. Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 1376. Superintending Engineer's Office.
3rd Division.

Camp *Goornandal, Tellicherry* Talook
Cuddapah District.

The *20th* September 1870.

From,

The Superintending Engineer

3rd Division.

To,

The Secretary to Government

Public Works Department

Fort Saint George.

Sir,

With reference to G.O. No. 1330 of 24th May 1870, I have the honor to inform you that, after consultation with the Collector of Cuddapah and inquiry from the several Range Officers as to the probable amounts that can be spent in each Range during the current official year, I am of opinion that not more than 57000 Rs. can be spent on Repairs Agricultural in the Cuddapah District during the current year and I am much afraid that even this sum may not be fully expended. Under these circumstances the Collector agrees with me that it would be better to transfer Rs 15000 to the Karnool District so that it may be utilized instead of allowing it to lapse.

Enclosures.

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6. In the Madras Agency Range I regret to say that I believe the delay in the submission of Estimates is chiefly due to Captain Bagley's delatoriness and neglect. I have sent another Head and 2nd Accountant and I am in hopes before long that these two men will get the office work into good order as the Head Accountant who was formerly in the Poddatur Range

has been well trained by Mr. Supervisor Lewis.

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W. M. M. M. M.
Supt. Engineer 3rd Div.

Regarding that
for the machine repairs
Rs 15000 in all, he has
sent to Madras & sent
from the Assistant
Agricultural Engineer in
the Madras District.

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To,
The Secretary to Government.
Public Works Department.
Fort Saint George.

From,
The Superintending Engineer
3rd Division.

Govt. Dept.

No. 2390

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Under date the 14th September 1870.
Read the following

From the Supt Engineer
of the 3rd Div.

(N.E. No. 1376/20. Sept. 1870)

Under the circum-
stances reported in this
letter from the Supt Engineer
3rd Division the Govt.
sanction the transfer
to the Kurnool District
of Rs 5000 out of the 15000
Rupees for Agricultural
repairs in the Cuddapah
District which it is con-
sidered for the reasons
given by Col. Ingham
will not be expended
in

been manifested.

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during the current year.
The remaining 10,000 Rs
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2. The Government
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the official year, when
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Abb

To Sup^r Engrs 1. & 3. D^{no}.
Controller P. W. dect^r.
Chief Engr for Irrigⁿ.

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To the Superintending Eng^r
J. & S. (Orissas)

Dated

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G. O. 11-12-1870, No. 2290

Nos. 52-53

Agricultural Repairs.

Passing orders on the letter from
the Supt. of the 3^d Div.
requesting sanction to the
transfer of Rs. 15000 from
the allotment under under
Agricultural Repairs in the
Taddopah District to the
Kurnool District.