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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
15th April 1871.*

No. 178. Read the following letter from the Acting Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Camp at Chicacole, 22nd March 1871, No. YY :—

WITH reference to G. O. of the 1st June 1869, No. 1,790, I have the honour to report that I have examined some of the roads in the Chicacole Range, and can fully corroborate all that Captain Beckley has stated regarding them.*

* G. O., No. 3,067, 17th December 1870.

The new road from Alikaum to Heeramundalem is being well and solidly constructed, and the others kept in good repair by Supervisor Ramiah with the funds allowed; the traffic on some of these has now been so well developed I consider the metalling should be laid down as soon as possible, and I have directed the Supervisor to prepare the necessary estimates.

2. I beg to take this opportunity of bringing to the notice of Government the long and faithful services of Supervisor Ramiah, and the good character he has always held, as the many testimonials he possesses amply testify, in the hope his promotion may now be given to him. You are as well aware as any one the excellent services he afforded in the construction of the Godavery Anicut works, and I trust will now support his claims. I do not attach any importance to the complaint preferred against him on account of the Rajahmundry Jail works, and I strongly suspect he was in that instance more sinned against than sinning, for only one small part of the immense compound wall surrounding these was examined by the Committee, which reported so unfavourably on him; the rest of the work has stood now for some years without crack or flaw, and popular rumour has it the part of the wall so examined was prepared for the Committee in his absence; at all events they do not appear to have given themselves any further trouble in the matter.

3. The Subsidiary Jail works constructing here and now in abeyance have, as far as they had progressed, been well and substantially built; like all Ramiah's works the wood-work is very neat.

4. The Tahsildar's Cutcherry, built only some eight years ago at this station, has the walls all more or less very badly cracked, and will, I fear, have to be abandoned. The Post Office, built about six years ago, is in as miserable condition, and is allowed to be occupied by the village cattle, and is consequently in a very filthy state. The department now rents a building for Rupees 10 a month or Rupees 120 a year, at 5 per cent. interest this represents a capital of Rupees 2,400; it would, therefore, be worthwhile to build a new post office and save this annual expenditure to the department.

5. The bridge crossing the river here is a fine structure of twenty-four arches 36 feet span, 9 feet rise, resting on piers 12 feet high. The general run of the deep bed of the river is very tortuous and full of boulder rocks. Some twelve of the arch spaces are silted up with sand 3 to 4 feet deep, and four other of these about the centre, but not quite so, have a constant flow of water through them. I think it would be advisable to put aprons to these, as there are cracks in the arches and the line of the parapets above is depressed as if some settlement had occurred. From the records we have kept for the last two seasons, as well as from the general appearance of the river, there must be, from the middle of June to the end of December, from

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1½ to 2 feet of water always running in it with occasional freshes 3 to 5 feet deep in July, August, September, and October. The heaviest flood in the past season was 11 feet deep, but there are records of these being as much as 14 feet deep or 2 feet above the springing line of the arches, but these are considered to be of very rare occurrence, the bridge, therefore, provides ample water-way extending as it does from bank to bank.

No. 179. ORDER THEREON, 15th April 1871, No. 1,056.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 11.

ORDERED to be recorded.

17th December 1870, No. 3,067.

2. The Government have already informed the Superintending Engineer of the 1st Division that they will not fail to

take into consideration Supervisor Ramiah's claims to promotion when an opportunity presents itself.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Acting Superintending Engineer, 1st Division.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Superintending Engineer's Office 1st Div.
Camp, Chicacole. 22. March 1871.

L. Horn

Major J. H. French R.E.
Ag Superintendent Engineer
1st Division

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Colonel C. A. Arrillaga,
Secretary for Government D. D. H.
Madrid.

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3. The subsidiary Jail works constructing here and now in progress have, as far as they have progressed, been well and substantially built like all Mannick's work the wood-work is very neat.

4. The Tahsildar's catcherry built only some 8 years ago at this station has the walls all more or less very badly cracked, and will I fear have to be abandoned. The post office built about 6 years ago is in as miserable condition and is allowed to be occupied by the village cattle and is consequently in a very filthy state. The Department now rents a building for Rs 10 a month or Rs 120 year, at 5 per cent interest this represents a capital of Rs 2,400 it would therefore be worth while to build a new post office and save this annual expenditure to the Department.

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I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedt servt,

Wm: T. Trenchard Esq

Ag. Superintg Engineer of D. C.

Public Works Department

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Under date the 15th April 1871

Read the following

From the Ag Supg Engineer

1st Div

J.H.C. No. 35 of 22nd March 1871

Ordered to be recorded.

The Government have already informed the Superintending Engrs of the 1st Div that they will not fail to take into consideration Superior Ramiak's claims to promotion when an opportunity presents itself.

17th Decr/70 - No. 3067.

By Engr (Dn.) Decr 17/4/71

W.B.

9 Aug/67 - No. 26-327
7 Decr/68 - No. 189-162
1 Jan/69 - No. 9-10
17 Decr/70 - No. 274-3075

No. 1871 Decr/70
From the Ag Supg Engineer
1st Division

To
The Secretary to
Government of M.
Madras.
No. 1056
Date 22nd March 1871
Recd 22nd March 1871
No. 287

Rego to report the
state of the roads &c.
in the Chittoor & Mangalore
Districts.

No. 1056 of 15th April 1871

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7. The Age-priming and
1st. Division

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My dear Mrs. Emerson
 I have just received your
 letter of the 10th inst. and
 am glad to hear that you
 are well. I am well and
 hope these few lines will
 find you the same. I am
 ever your affectionate son,
 Wm. Emerson

131st March / 77, P. 4. Anne