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No 147. Read the following letter from the Consulting Engineer for Irrigation and Canal Company, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 19th April 1871, No. 12.—

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the Order* of Government communicating observations from the Government of India on the half-yearly Revenue

* No 1,048, dated 14th April 1871. Accounts of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company from 1st July 1863 to 31st December 1869, and calling on me to submit a full explanation of the exact nature and scope of the principles on which the half-yearly Revenue Accounts were prepared.

2. The Government of India observe that according to the accounts there has been virtually no charge for either maintenance or establishment during the whole period, and they inquire on what principle the charge has been made for maintaining the portions of the canal from which revenue was earned, and what amounts have been debited to Revenue for agency, engineering, conservancy, and collecting establishments.

3. In reply, I beg to state that no portion of the Main Canal having ever been entirely completed, although revenue to a small extent was collected as long as eight years ago when the portions of the canal from which the irrigation proceeded were in a most unfinished condition, and the work of construction in the same lengths was in active progress, it was considered that the only general establishment which could be properly debited to Revenue, since no separate agency was necessary or was maintained for the purpose, was a proportionate amount of the cost of those general establishments which were maintained for construction. No one section having been fully completed, all repairs whether arising from floods, slips, leaks, or bad work, have been uniformly charged against Capital, the only exceptions being expenditure on clearing silt from the canal, and small repairs to finished buildings, and accordingly it will be observed that the amounts debited to Revenue are only the maintenance or conservancy establishments that had been formally sanctioned, the cost of clearing silt, small repairs to finished buildings, and a proportionate share of the charges for general management, that is a share of the Madras Agency and the Chief Engineer's establishment in direct proportion to the cost of the repairs debitable to Revenue as compared with the expenditure on construction for the same period, and I cannot think of any other way that would be equitable. No establishments for collecting revenue have been maintained either by the Company or by Government; the little revenue there is is collected by

No 1,814, dated 19th November 1870. the Government revenue establishments, and in the Order as per margin Government ruled that until the necessity for special or extra expenses was shown, no charge need be made against the Company for the collection of their revenue.

4. The Government of India further express a doubt whether any amount at all should have been credited to Revenue seeing that practically the maintain-

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
9th May 1871.*

ing charges have been borne by Capital, but with all deference to this opinion I submit that the clauses of the contract noted in the margin left no option in the matter; and that the cost of repairs, which under a different condition of things would have been treated as maintenance charges, were necessarily debited to Capital in consequence of the unfinished state of the works and the simple impossibility of separating the charges under such circumstances.

No. 148.

ORDER THEREON, 9th May 1871, No. 1,271.

IRRIGATION, No. 15.

ORDERED that this letter be forwarded to the Government of India —

(Here enter No. 1,272, dated 9th May 1871.)

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. CARPENDALE, Colonel, R E,

Secretary to Government.

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

Exd E. C. Shunker

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE, 9th May 1871.

No. 149.

No. 1,272.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

IRRIGATION, No. 16

SIR,—In acknowledging the receipt of your letter, dated 11th March 1871, No 49-A. I, conveying the observations of the Government of India on the half-yearly Revenue Accounts of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company from the 1st July 1863 to the 31st December 1869, which were submitted with my letter of the 11th February last, No. 437, and requesting to be furnished with full information as to the exact nature and scope of the principles on which they were prepared, I am directed to forward the accompanying copy of a communication from the Consulting Engineer for that Company containing the requisite explanations.

2. It will be observed that, although a small revenue has been collected from some portions of the canal for the last eight years, no section of it has been fully completed or been provided with a separate agency for revenue purposes. The only charge therefore made on Revenue Account, in addition to the cost of a conservancy establishment which was sanctioned for purposes on which the expenditure could not properly be debited to Capital, has been the outlay on clearing silt which, brought into the canal by the partial admission of water from which revenue was derived, could be removed only at the expense of revenue, and a proportionate share of the cost of the general establishments maintained for construction.

3. I am to take this opportunity to forward the Revenue Account of the Company for the half-year which ended 30th June 1870, together with a copy of the Proceedings* of Government thereon,

* No 954, dated 31st March 1871. and to request that the information solicited in paragraph 3 of my letter quoted above may be furnished.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient servant,

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

Exd E. C. Shunker.

Consulting Engineer's Office
Madras, 19 April 1871.

No. 12
To, Colonel A. Capriale R.E.
Commander for C. & C.
The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department.

17-1068-14 Apr. 1871
I have the honor to acknowledge
the Order of Government communicating
observations from the Government of India
on the Half yearly Revenue accounts of the
Madras Irrigation and Canal Company from
1st July 1863 to 31st December 1869, and calling
on me to submit a full explanation of the
exact nature and scope of the principles
on which the Half yearly Revenue accounts
were prepared.
2. The Government of India observe that
according to the accounts there has been no
actual charge for either Maintenance
or Establishment during the whole period,
and they inquire on what principle the
charge has been made for maintaining the
portions of the Canal from which revenue was
earned.

earned, and what amounts have been debited
to Revenue for Agency, Engineering, Conser-
-vancy and Collecting Establishments.

3. In reply, they state that no portion
of the Main Canal having ever been entirely
completed, although revenue to a small ex-
tent was collected as long as eight years
ago when the portions of the Canal from
which the irrigation proceeded were in a
most unfinished condition and the work of
construction in the same lengths was in active
progress, it was considered that the only general
establishment which could be properly debited
to Revenue, since no separate agency
was necessary or was maintained for the
purpose, was a proportionate amount of
the cost of those General Establishments
which were maintained for construction.
No one Section having been fully completed,
all repairs whether arising from floods, slips,
leaks, or bad work, have been uniformly charged
against Capital, the only exceptions being expendi-
ture on clearing silt from the Canal, and some all
repairs to finished buildings, and according to
it will be observed that the amounts debited to
Revenue are only the Maintenance or Conservancy
Establishments that had been formerly sanctioned.
The cost of clearing silt, small repairs to finished

building, and a proportionate share of the charge
for general management, takes a share of the
Maddas Agency and the Chief Engineer's Establish-
ment in direct proportion to the cost of the re-
pairs debitable to Revenue as compared with
the expenditure on Construction for the same
period; and I cannot think of any other way
that would be equitable. No establishments
for collecting revenue have been maintained
either by the Company or by Government, the
little revenue there is collected by the Govern-
ment Revenue Establishments, and in the Order
of 1814-19 Govt ruled that until
the necessity for special or extra expenses
was shown, no charge need be made against
the Company for the collection of this revenue.
4. The Government of India further express
a doubt whether any amount at all should have
been credited to Revenue seeing that practically
the maintaining charges have been borne by
Capital, but with all deference to this opinion
submit that the clauses of the Contract notes
left no option in the matter, and
that the cost of repairs, which under a differ-
ent condition of things, would have been treated
as Maintenance charges, were necessarily debited
to Capital in consequence of the unfinished state
of the works and the simplicity of the
separating the charges under such cir-
cumstances

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I have the honor to be,
 Sir,
 Your most obedient servant
 J. G. W. C. C. C.
 Conductor for C. Company.

C. M. B.

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The West Point Government
 Volume 170's of 14th Street
 continuing looking at the
 from the front of India on the
 half yearly Review account
 of the R. S. S. Green at half
 1863 to 1864 and calling
 on him to submit a full ex-
 planation of the exact misde-
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 on which the half yearly
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To the Hon. Secy
of the Navy
Washington

No 87
 The Ladies of the
 Meeting
 Held 19th
 Decr - 22nd of Decr 1844

From the Consulting Engineer } H. E. } No 12 of 19 April 1872
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Ordered that the letter be forwarded to the
Govt of India
H. E. No 12725/9 dlay 11
To the Secy. of the Govt. of India
Agent & Manager for the Govt. of India
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The Secretary to the
Govt of India
Sir I am acknowledging
the receipt of your letter
dated 11th March/71
No 49 A. I. Conveying

the observations of the
Govt. of India on the
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Irrigation and Canal
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to forward the accompanying

copy of a communication
from the Consulting Eng.
for that Company con-
taining the requisite
explanations.

It will be observed
that although a small
revenue has been collec-
ted from some portions
of the Canal for the
last eight years, no
section of it has
been fully completed
or been provided with
a separate agency
for revenue purposes.
The only charge
therefore made on

Revenue account, in
addition to the cost
of a conservancy esta-
blishment which was
sanctioned for purposes
on which the expenditure
could not properly be
debited to Capital, has
been the outlay on clearing
silt which brought into
the canal by the partial
admission of water
from which revenue was
derived, could be removed
only at the expense of
revenue, and a propor-
-tionate share of the cost
of the general establish-
-ments maintained for

* No 954 of 31st March 71

for construction.

I am to take this
opportunity to forward
the Revenue Account of
the Company for the
half year which ended
30th June 70, together
with a copy of the Progs.
of Govt thereon, and to
request that the infor-
-mation solicited in
para 3 of my letter quoted
above may be fur-
-nished.

W.B.

Recd 10/5/71 with copy of
Govt 1271 & a copy of No 954
of 31st March 71.

Govt of 1871 Address.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation

To the Secretary to the
Govt of India

Date

at

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