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4th August 1871.*

No. 45. Read the following letter from the Acting Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Dowlaishweram, 13th July 1871, No. 1,229 :—

I HAVE the honour to inform you that no action has been taken by the General Superintendent of Public Works Stores to provide the lighters referred to in G. O., No. 2,705, dated 11th November 1870, owing to the necessary drawings, etc., not having been furnished him hitherto.

2. The designs, etc., for the above are now prepared, and as it takes a very long time before they can be obtained from England, and as the boats are immediately required for Extraordinary Agricultural Works, I have made arrangements to have them made in the Government Workshop, Dowlaishweram, at a cost of Rupees 6,000 each.

3. Under these circumstances, I request you will be good enough to obtain the sanction of Government for transferring a sum of Rupees 30,000 from the grant for Extraordinary Agricultural Works of the Godavery District to "Tools and Plant" to enable me to authorize the construction of five iron lighters for present use.

4. The demand for material from the quarries increases every day as works are being taken up, and the old plant of boats is now so much worn out and few in number, they are quite unable to perform the duty required of them. The demand for the conveyance of produce in the district is so great; it is impossible to hire dhonies except at very extravagant rates, and I am therefore very anxious to build these new boats as soon as possible from the designs we have, as those already built a few years ago have been found to be very useful both here and in the Kistna I believe.

5. Our grants for extraordinary works this year are very large, and as yet no orders have been received from the Government of India on the Western Delta, and none whatever on the Central Delta schemes, there is thus little or no probability of our fully utilizing the grants on works alone, particularly as no increase of establishments are likely to be made; but it is absolutely necessary to have our boats complete and fully up to the demand, which is sure to be made on the quarries hereafter, and I beg therefore an early sanction may be accorded to the proposed transfer.

No. 46. ORDER THEREON, 4th August 1871, No. 2,031.

ACCOUNT, No. 7.

THE Superintending Engineer of the 1st Division was directed, in G. O. of the 11th November 1870, No. 2,705, to forward to the General Superintendent of Public Works Stores a full description of the iron lighters proposed to be obtained from England for employment on Extraordinary Agricultural Works in the Godavery District with a view to the inclusion of the boats in the next indent on the Home Government.

2. It appears from the letter above read that the requisite designs and drawings have not yet been submitted, owing to delay in their preparation, the causes

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of which are not explained, and, looking to the time which must necessarily elapse before boats ordered in England can be delivered in this country, and to the urgency of the demand for their services at the works, Major Fischer now proposes to have them made up at the Dowlaishweram Factory at a cost of Rupees 6,000 each, the construction of five of the boats being immediately undertaken with funds to be provided by transfer from the Budget allotment for works.

3. The Government observe that the price now quoted is nearly Rupees 3,000 more than that at which iron lighters of the same capacity can be obtained from England and in like proportion in excess of the rate* given in the Superintending Engineer's letter of the 17th October 1870, No. 2,413, which

English Rates.	Rs.
Invoice price	2,000
Freight, etc.	1,000
Indian charges	200
Total...	3,200

* Rupees 2,500 to Rupees 3,000.

is recorded with the order referred to in paragraph 1 above. The excess on ten boats, or the total number required, would accordingly amount to about Rupees 30,000.

4. Boats of the tonnage required can, it is understood, be made up at the workshops at the Presidency for Rupees 3,000 each, and the Government cannot therefore sanction such excessive rates as those demanded at Dowlaishweram without the fullest explanation. Major Fischer will accordingly be requested to furnish Government with the drawings which are now ready, and the particulars of the estimate amounting to Rupees 6,000 for each, and pending further orders on the subject no expenditure is to be incurred on this account at the Dowlaishweram Workshop.

(True Extract.)

Captain, R.E.,

Under-Secretary to Government.

To the Acting Superintending Engineer, 1st Division.

.. Controller of Public Works Accounts.

.. General Superintendent of Public Works Stores and Workshops.

Exd. E. C. Shunkar.

N. 1229

Superintending Engineer's Office
Dowlaishweram 13 July 1871

From,

Major J. F. Fischer R.E.

Acting Superintending Engineer 1st Division

To Colonel J. Carpendale R.E.

Secretary to Government P.W.D.

Madras

I have the honor to inform you that no action has been taken by the General Superintendent of Public Works Stores to provide the lighters referred to in G.O. No. 2705 dated 11th November 1870, owing to the necessary drawings &c. not having been furnished him hitherto -

2. The designs &c. for the above are now prepared, and as it takes a very long time before they can be obtained from England, and as the boats are immediately required for extraordinary Agricultural works, I have made arrangements to have them made in the Government Workshop Dowlaishweram at a cost of Rs. 6000 each -

3. Under these circumstances I request

you will be good enough to obtain the sanction of Government for transferring a sum of Rupees 30,000 from the grant for Extraordinary Agricultural works of the Godavari District to Toolik Plant, to enable me to authorize the construction of five Iron Lighters for present use.

4. The demand for material from the Quarries increases every day as works are being taken up, and the old Plant of boats are now so much worn out, and few in number, they are quite unable to perform the duty required of them. The demand for the conveyance of produce in the District is so great, it is impossible to hire Dhonies except at very extravagant rates, and I am therefore very anxious to build these new boats as soon as possible from the designs we have, as those already built a few years ago have been found to be very useful both here and

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I have the honor to be
Sir

Your Most Obedt Servt

W. T. Fisher Major R.

As Superintending Engineer

My dear Mr. Lincoln
 The English summer work
 for the last September will
 be about \$2000. I must
 expect to have more
 making that last 3000 & add
 to the above \$2000 more
 for future charges 3200. We all
 Mr. Quincy tells me that
 the Montpelier will make
 up the September for \$3000.

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The 12 July. I am
 to the Secretary of Government
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take a very long time for the
 regular report of \$2000
 of 11 November 1871 & is obtained
 from England. I do have arranged
 to have the Secretary of the
 Government make up of 1000
 and request a sum of \$2000 for
 the purpose of 1871 & 1872
 from the grant for extraordinary
 services of the Secretary

1871

and the same for the 10 months. Two years
have up about the same amount of the
last 10 months. Looking at previous
of the same under such application
to her. I don't know what the ground for London supplies
it is complete with the work not known the work
the specific character of a single work. The only
no further information that has been that
by the same amount of the year
of the letters with that amount the work
not be delivered as provided, while the
at the Canadian before amount rep^d for the 10 letters
at 139000. The work certainly

not get a single boat
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See No 2031
 P. W. Department.
 Proceedings of the Madras Government
 Under date the 14th Aug 1871
 Read the following

From The Ag. Supg. Engrs. } H. E. No 1229 of 13th July 1871
 1st Division

The Superintending
 Engineer of the 1st Division
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 the 11th November 1870, No
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 General Superintendent of
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 on Extraordinary Agri-
 cultural Works in the
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Godavery District with a
view to the inclusion of
the boats in the next In-
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Major

English Junks
Invoice Price — Rs 2000.
Freight &c — 1000.
Indian Charges — 200.
3200.

* Rs 2500 to Rs 3000.

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up at the Daulatpuram
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allotment for works.

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17th October 1870, No 2413,
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para 1 above. The except-
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number required, would
accordingly amount to about
Rs 30,000.

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understood be made up
at the workshops at the
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and the Government can-
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excessive rates as those
demanded at Dowlaish-
weram without the fullest
explanation. Major Fisher
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will accordingly be request-
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with the drawings which
are now ready, and the
particulars of the estimate
amounting to Rs 6000
for each, and pending
further orders on the
subject no expenditure
is to be incurred on this
account at the Dowlaish-
weram Workshop.

J. 28th July

The Supy Eng^r of the
5th Contoller P.W. Account.
2nd Genl Supt. P.W. Stores.

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PUBLIC WORKS.

To the Asst. Superintending Engr
1st Division

Dated

Recd.

G. O. 4th Aug 1871. No 2031.

Nos. 45946

Draw Boats for the
Godavery works. Inspg
Engineer requested to furnish
the drawings now ready and
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of Rs 6000. be expenditure
to be incurred ^{on account of boats} at Daulaish
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orders.