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No. 384. Read the following letter from the Director of Public Instruction, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 9th September 1871, No. 1,545 :—

I HAVE the honour to forward copy of Government Order, Educational Department, No. 257, of the 31st ultimo, which I observe has not been communicated to your department, and to request that the Superintending Engineer of the Division may be instructed to have the work carried out. The provision is in the Budget for works to be executed by the Public Works Department.

No. 385. ORDER THEREON, 22nd September 1871, No. 2,426.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 21.

COMMUNICATED to the Superintending Engineer of the 7th Division, who will carry out the work from the sum of Rupees 1,000 provided in the Provincial Budget for the Provincial School at Calicut.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) A. deC. SCOTT, Captain, R.E.,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.
" Controller of Public Works Accounts.
" Director of Public Instruction.
" Educational Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 69. Read the following letter from the Director of Public Instruction, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 23rd August 1871, No. 1421 :—

The Head Master of Calicut Provincial School informs me that the whole of the laterite flooring of the school-house is in a deplorable condition. He remarks as follow :—"Nothing can be more unsuitable for flooring than laterite. It is so friable that, in the dry weather, every thing gets spoilt by the dust from it; and, in the wet weather, the floor becomes exceedingly damp and even muddy—the cause of a great many colds and fevers. We have no proper matting, and the floor is full of holes."

2. As a remedy, Mr. Barrow proposes that the floors be asphalted. He observes that an asphalt floor is easily cleaned, stands wear and tear well, and is exceedingly suitable for a school, as the sound produced by walking on it is a muffled one.

3. It has been ascertained from a well-known Contractor at Calicut that the charge of asphalting is Rupees 10 per 100 square feet; at this rate the cost for asphalting the floors of the rooms alone, without the verandahs, would be a little over Rupees 715.

4. I beg to recommend that sanction be given to the expenditure of (say) Rupees 720 upon re-flooring the school-rooms with asphalt. The charge may be met from the provision made in this year's budget for fresh work in connexion with the Provincial School-house. The work may be done by contract under the superintendence of the Executive Engineer.

No. 70. ORDER THEREON, 31st August 1871, No. 257.
Sanctioned.
(True Extract.)

Captain, R. E.,
Under Secretary, P. W. D.,
for *Chief Secretary.*

To the Director of Public Instruction.
,, Acting Accountant-General.

Exd. J. Wright.

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Public Works dept

Dated 7th September 1871.
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No 1545

Sending with a request Government Order on the subject of Asphalting the floor of the Calcutta Provincial Sabah.

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PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Director of Public Instruction

Dated.

Rcd. Encl.

G. O. 22 Sept 1871, No 2426.

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Forwarding the Report of the Provincial School Calicut -- regarding the Purchase of Land for the Collectorate Buildings