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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
7th March 1871.

No 167 Read the following letter from the Consulting Engineer for Irrigation and Canal Company, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 14th February 1871, No. 119 —

I HAVE the honour to submit, for the orders of Government, the correspondence marginally noted on the subject of long standing discrepancies between the local Agent's books and those of the Secretary to the Board of Directors in London on account of the purchase of stores made in England on the Indian account.

From Agent, No 524, 21st December 1870
To ,, ,, 294, 18th January 1871
From ,, ,, 46, 2nd February ,,
To ,, ,, 320, 6th ,, ,,
From ,, ,, 61, 10th ,, ,,

2. The list accompanying the Agent's No 524, of the 21st December 1870, shows that stores to the value of £ 30-1-9 which were received in India and brought on the Agent's books had not been paid for in England, and that £ 122-12-7 was paid in England for stores which were not received in India The difference between these two sums, namely, £ 92-10-10, the Agent in his No 46 of the 2nd instant requests may be debited to Profit and Loss account.

3. With regard to the £ 122-12-7 paid for stores which are said not to have been received in India, the Agent states that that sum consists of "short deliveries," with the exception of £ 13-1-6 for Aneroid barometers, which are reported to have been sent direct to Colonel H. Cotton, the Chief Engineer, in January 1859, and regarding which there is no record, as they did not pass through the Agent's Office Mr. Henslowe adds that in every case of short delivery the Secretary to the Board was duly advised, and that these transactions having taken place long before his connection with the Company, he is unable to say whether any and what steps were taken by the Secretary for the recovery of the value of the short deliveries He, however, concludes that the efforts, if any, made to obtain a refund of the value of the short deliveries by the Secretary were unsuccessful, from the fact of the amount still standing debited against him in the home books, but I would suggest that the Secretary of State be moved to address the Board of Directors on the subject, with the view to obtaining some positive information on the point in question, unless the Government consider that, as the amount is small as compared with the large store transactions of the Company, an adjustment had better be made as proposed by the Agent

Vide his paragraph 2, No 61

From the Agent and Manager of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, to the Consulting Engineer for the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, dated Madras, 21st December 1870, No 524

A COMMUNICATION lately received from the Secretary enables me to clear up the long standing discrepancies between the amount standing in the Secretary's books for stores purchased on Indian account, and the amount with which we have debited ourselves

2 I enclose a statement in detail of these differences, and I shall be glad of your authority to make the necessary adjustments

3 The only difficulty I think is with regard to the aneroids, and these, which are said to have been sent to Colonel Cotton in 1859, we have no record of, nor do I know what has become of them

MADRAS IRRIGATION AND CANAL COMPANY.

Difference in Stores purchased in England and that credited to Board in India up to 31st March 1869

Articles	Difference		Remarks
	Add	Deduct	
	£ s d	£. s d	
Aneroids	13 1 6		No invoice was received before, but it is now sent by the Secretary.
Sawing Machine		11 10 0	Secretary says this amount was not paid in England, but no intimation was made at the time
Fire bricks	2 8 5		This was paid in England and included in the invoice, but was short delivered and not taken into account in India
Lithographic Presses	6 4 3		The invoice now attached by the Secretary differs by £3-18-0 from the previous invoice, hence we were unable to take into account Again, £2-6-3 was short delivered and we did not give credit for that amount, and the difference is therefore £6-4-3
Hammers and Padlocks	26 19 4		The Secretary says that this amount was paid for hammers, but no invoice was sent to us at the time
Telegraph Stores	11 13 10		This amount was for short delivery
Stationery	0 15 0		The Secretary says this difference is for the value of wood frame and roller for rolls of cartridge, but that was not mentioned in the invoice sent to us
Carpenters' tools		2 3 1	The Secretary says this amount is less than invoice and was reconciled in freight paid, but no mention was made to us at the time
Portable forges		3 5 0	The Secretary says this was for extras not allowed, if so, it should have been mentioned at the time
Mamoties	0 12 8		This was for short delivery in India, but the Secretary did not take any notice of it
Excavators' tools		3 1 2	This was for over delivery in India, but the Secretary did not take any notice of it
Brushes	0 3 10		This is for short delivery in India, but the Secretary included it
Tools per *Belvedera*		4 14 6	This is for over receipt in India, but the Secretary did not include it
Files and steel	4 8 9		This is for short delivery in India, but the Secretary included it
Paint, tar, etc	0 5 4		Secretary says this was paid in excess

Difference in Stores purchased in England and that credited to Board, etc —(Concluded)

Articles	Difference		Remarks
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	£ s d	£ s d	
Iron Mongery	25 10 1		Secretary says £1-4-0 was not paid, but the short delivery of £26-14-1 he has not taken into account
Manilla rope		3 8 5	The Secretary says this was the discount allowed, but it was not deducted in the invoice.
Iron		1 0 0	The Secretary says this was for extras not paid, but was included in invoice
Mamoties, rails, etc	13 14 5		This was for short delivery in India, but the Secretary did not deduct it
Excavators' tools per *Anglia*		0 19 7	This is the difference which the Secretary says was not paid, but it was included in invoice.
Miners' and Excavators' tools	14 3 4		This was for short delivery, but the Secretary did not deduct it
Do do do	0 17 2		Do do do
Sectional paper	0 3 0		This was for short delivery in India, but the Secretary has included it
Freight	1 11 8		Secretary says this was freight, but no intimation was given to us
Total	122 12 7	30 1 9	
Summary			
Amount paid in England, (see particulars above)	30 1 9		
Amount paid in England, but not received here	122 12 7		
Difference	92 10 10		

(Signed) C A BADHAM,
Chief Accountant and General Storekeeper

MADRAS,
20th December 1870

From the Consulting Engineer for the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, to the Agent and Manager of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, dated Madras, 18th January 1871, No 294

FROM your letter No 524, of the 21st ultimo, and the list of stores which accompanied it, it is not sufficiently clear in what manner the difference referred to therein is proposed to be adjusted. I have the honour to request information on the following points

2 Is the difference, namely, £92-10-10, between the total of the two columns headed "add" and "deduct" proposed to be written off in the Indian account as loss? And, if not, to what account are the totals of columns headed "add" and "deduct," namely, £122-12-7, and £30-1-9, respectively, to be added and deducted? Or in what manner are these sums intended to be adjusted in the accounts?

3 I shall also feel obliged by your informing me whether the value of the stores in the column headed "deduct" £30-1-9 was debited to stores and credited to the Board in the Indian account when those supplies were received in India

From the Agent and Manager of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, to the Consulting Engineer for the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, dated Madras, 2nd February 1871, No 46

In reply to your letter, No 294, of the 18th ultimo, I have the honour to inform you that the £30-1-9 has been taken into our Store Ledger, in other words we have debited ourselves with exactly what we have received This will be evident from the fact that the £92-10-10 is the exact difference between us and the Secretary, the latter sum being the net value of stores which he has debited us with in excess of what we have received.

2 I do not see any other mode of adjusting the difference than writing the amount off to or by Profit and Loss either in our books or the Secretary's

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From the Consulting Engineer for the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, to the Agent and Manager of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, dated Madras, 6th February 1871, No 320.

With reference to the correspondence marginally noted, and the list which accompanied your No 524, I have the honour to observe that out of £122-12-7 paid in England for stores not received in India,* £76-1-9 the list shows was for short delivery, and† £44-13-10 was for stores for which no invoices were received here at the time, but neither the list nor your letters show that measures were taken for the recovery of the value of the short deliveries, nor does it appear that any investigation has been made with regard to what I understand to be missing stores for some which it is said invoices had been subsequently received I therefore request that you will be good enough to favour me with the fullest information you may possess on the subject, as the Government would naturally look for such particulars before they would sanction the adjustment proposed by you

From Agent No 524, 21st December 1870
To " " 294 18th January 1871
From " " 46, 2nd February 1871

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* Items	2	8	5
	2	6	3
	11	13	10
	0	12	8
	0	3	10
	4	8	9
	25	10	1
	13	14	5
	14	3	4
	0	17	2
	0	3	0
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† Items	13	1	6
	3	18	0
	26	19	4
	0	15	0
	44	13	10

From the Agent and Manager of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, to the Consulting Engineer for the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, dated Madras, 10th February 1871, No 61

With reference to your letter, No 320, of the 6th instant, I have the honour to state that the transactions in question took place long before my connection with the Company, and that consequently any knowledge I may have of them is of a very general character, derived from the records of the period

2 As to whether any steps were taken to recover the value of the short deliveries, I am able to state that the Board in every case of short delivery was duly advised, but beyond that fact the records are silent, and I am therefore unable to say what steps, if any, were taken in the matter by the Board of Directors; but from the fact that the full debit still stands against us in the home books, it is conclusive I think that the efforts, if any, made to obtain a refund were not successful

3 It may be that the Board of Directors set the losses against the gains, and that, as we were never called upon to pay for the excesses, they were content to let the deficiencies follow the same rule

4 With the exception of the first item "Aneroids £13-1-6," all the deficiencies arise from deficiencies in the quantities received

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fact of their having been sent to that officer instead of to the Madras Office will account for our having no record of them. The Board have been advised that no trace of these aneroids can be found

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No. 168. ORDER THEREON, 7th March 1871, No. 676.

IRRIGATION, No. 9.

As at this distance of time it is unlikely that the discrepancies referred to in these papers between the books of the Secretary to the Board of Directors of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company in London and those of the local Agents on account of stores purchased in England for India can be satisfactorily explained, and as the amount in dispute is small, His Excellency the Governor in Council approves of the mode of adjustment proposed by the Agent.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company.
" Agent and Manager for do. do.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

Madras Iron and C. Co.

No. 61 Madras 10th February 1875

From
The Agent and Manager
M. I. C. Co.

To
The Consulting Engineer
M. I. C. Co.

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obed. Servant
Fr: Hawtrey [illegible]
Agent & Manager

C M Buckley
Accountant

Consulting Engineer's Office
Irrigation & Canal Company
Madras, 6th Feby/71.

No. 320.

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From

The Agent & Manager

I. & C. Co.

To

The Consulting Engr.

I. & C. Co.

Dated 10th } Feby/71
Recd 11th }

B.M. 7/8/71

Replies to letter No. 320 of the 6th Feby/71 relative to the difference between the amount spent in England on purchase of Stores & that debited to the Co. in the Indian accounts

Your most Obedt. Servant

Agent & Manager

Chief Accountant

Consulting Engr.
Irrigation & Canal Company
Madras, 6th Feby/71.

No. 320.

From,
The Consulting Engr. I. & C. Co:

To,
The Agent & Manager M. I. & C. Co:

Sir,

From Agent No. 524-21 Decr/70
To — " 294-18 Jany/71.
From — " 46-2 Feby/71.

Items	2-8-5
	2-6-3
	11-13-10
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	4-8-9
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	13-14-5
	14-3-4
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(Signed) J. Carpendale Colz R.E.
Consulting for I. C. Company.—

(True copy)

Exd. W.B.

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Madras Irri: and C. Co/
Madras 2d February 1871

No. 46

From,

The Agent and Manager
M. I and C. Co

To,

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Your Most Obedt Servt
Fr. [illegible] Marlowe
Agent and Manager

To agent of 6 Feby /71 No 32

No 46 Regd.

From
The Agent & Manager
I & C Co.

To
The Consulting Engr.
I & C Co.

Dated 2
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No 294

Consulting Engineer's Office
Irrigation and Canal Co
Madras 18th January 1871.

From
Colonel J. Carpendale R.E.
Consulting Engineer I & C Co.

To
The Agent and Manager
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3. I shall also feel obliged by your informing me whether the value of the stores in the column headed "deduct" £30-1-9 was debited to stores and credited to the Board in the Indian account—when those supplies were received in India?

I have &ca
(Sigd) J. Carpendale Col. R.E.
Cons: Engr. for I&C.Co.
(True Copy)

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Madras Irrigation and Canal Company

Difference in Stores purchased in England and that Credited to Board in India up to 31st March 1869.

Articles	Difference Add £	s	d	Deduct £	s	d	Remarks
Ammonia	13	1	6				No Invoice was received before, but it is now sent by the Secretary—
Sewing Machine				11	10	–	Secretary say this amt was not paid in England, but no intimation was made at the time
Fire Brick	2	8	5				This was paid in England and included in the ... but was short delivered & not taken into a/c in India
Lithographic presses	6	4	3				The Invoice now attached by the Secretary differs by £3-10- from the previous Invoice; hence we were unable to take into a/c. Again £2-5- was short delivered & we did not give credit for that amt & the difference is therefore £6-4-3-
Hammers & Padlocks	26	19	4				The Secretary say that this amt was paid for Hammers, but no Invoice was sent to us at the time.—
Telegraph Stores	11	13	10				This Amt was for short delivery.—
Stationery		15	–				The Secretary say this difference is for the value of wood frame & roller for rolls of cartridge but that was not mentioned in the Invoice at the time
Carpenters Tools				2	3	1	The Secretary say this amt is less than Invoice and was reconciled in Freight paid, but no mention was made to us at the time.—
Portable Forges				3	5	–	The Secretary say this was for Extra installment & it should have been mentioned at the time
Manilas				–	12	8	This was for Short delivery in India, but the Secretary did not take any notice of it.—
Over	61	15	–	16	18	1	

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	Add			Deduct			
	£	s	d	£	s	d	
Over	61	15	-	16	18	1	
Excavators Tools				3	1	2	This was for over delivery in India, but the Secretary did not take any notice of it.
Brushes	-	3	10				This is for short delivery in India, but the Secretary included it.
Tools & Belvedera				4	4	6	This is for over receipt in India; but the Secretary did not include it.
Files and Steel	4	8	9				This is for short delivery in India but the Secretary included it.
Paint Tar &c	-	5	4				Secretary says this was paid in excess
Iron Mongery	25	10	1				Secretary says £1-4-- was not paid, but the short delivery of £24-14-1, he has not taken into account.
Manilla Rope				3	8	5	The Secretary says this was the discount allowed, but it was not deducted in the Invoice.
Iron				1	-	-	The Secretary says this was for Extras not paid, but was included in Invoice.
Mamotees Rails &c	13	4	5				This was for Short delivery in India, but the Secretary did not deduct it.
Excavators Tools & Mughia				-	19	7	This is the difference which the Secretary says was not paid, but it was included in Invoice.
Miners & Excavators tools	14	3	4				This was for Short delivery, but the Secretary did not deduct it.
Do Do							Do Do Do
Sectional Paper	-	7 3	2 -				This was for Short delivery in India but the Secretary has included it.
Freight	7	11	8				Secretary says this was freight but no intimation was given to us
£	122	12	7	30	1	9	

Articles	Add £	s	d	Deduct £	s	d	Remarks
Summary							
Amount paid in England (vide for particulars above)	30	1	9				
Amt paid in England but not received here	122	12	7				
Difference	92	10	10				

Madras
Agents' Office
20th December 1870

C. M. Bradley
Chief Accountant &
General Storekeeper

Madras Irri: and C. Co.

No. 524.

Madras 21st December 1870

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The Agent and Manager
M. I. C. Co.

To

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Consg. Engr. for R. Company

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The Cons: Engr: for I. & C. Co.
to
The Secretary to Govt. D.P.W.

Dated 14th } Feby/71.
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PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Consulting Engr for the Madras Irrigation And Canal Company

Letter

Dated No. 60

G. O. 7 March No. 676

Nos 167-168

Stores. The mode proposed by the Agent, Madras Ry Co. for adjusting certain discrepancies between the books of the Secy. to the Bd of Directors of the Co. in London & those of the local Agents on account of Stores purchased in England for India, approved.