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30th May 1873.*

No. 430. Read the following letter from R. E. NORFOR, Esq., Officiating District Engineer, South Arcot, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R. E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Camp at Cullenchavady, 13th May 1873, No. 32:—

With reference to G. O., No. 1,018, of the 19th April 1872, and No. 20 of 5th May 1873, I have the honour to state that the first mentioned Government Order was omitted from the List of Unanswered References, considering, under the circumstances stated below, that the subject was already disposed of.

2. I was in charge of the late 4th Range the whole of the year 1870-71, and Mr. Assistant Engineer Hawksworth assumed charge of it only on the 25th July 1871. On receipt of G. O., No. 1,018, Colonel Foord considering that I should be able to certify whether the repairs to the roads in that range in the year had or had not been carried out according to the working statements prepared at the beginning of the year, and that Major Vertue was wrong in not calling upon me at once for the sixteen completion certificates alluded to in the Proceedings of Government of 9th January 1872, referred the matter to me. As I inspected all the roads in the range during the year in question, and was perfectly satisfied that the grants were fully expended on the works and laid out to the best advantage, I at once submitted my own certificates for the sixteen roads. These were transmitted to the Controller, and I believe accepted by him under the explanation furnished by the Superintending Engineer in his letter No. 124 of 10th September 1872, a copy of which I now submit herewith.

No. 431. ORDER THEREON, 30th May 1873, No. 1,457.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 59.

UNDER the circumstances now explained G. O., No. 1,018, dated 19th April 1872, need not be brought forward in future Unanswered Reference Lists; but it is observed that Government should ere this have been furnished with the report which they expected to receive in regard to the expenditure of the maintenance grants in question.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, South Arcot.
" Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. S. T. Austin:

N^o 124.

Suptg: Engrs Office 5th Division
Camp. Salem 10th September 1872.

From,
The Superintending Engineer,
5th Division

To,
The Controller of
P. W. Accounts.

Sir, In reply to your letter of the 3^d
September N^o 47, I have the honor to
inform you that I do not see any ob-
jection to the acceptance of Mr. Hors-
completion certificates for repairs of
roads in 1870-71.

2. Mr. Horsford was in charge of the
4th Range during that year saw the
repairs while in progress and was able
to certify whether these had or had
not been carried out in accordance
with the statements prepared at
the beginning of the year.

Mr.

3. Mr. Hawksworth knew nothing of the Range, he did not see the roads till some months after the expiration of the Official year and he should not have been required to sign the completion Certificates.

4. Mr. Hawksworth remarks on the use of sand for repairing the roads, and on the absence of platforms for storing road materials. If he had made any enquiry he would have found that no other material than sand is obtainable for the roads in the Chellumbrum Taluq. The sand when deposited in heaps on the side of the roads can be as easily measured as if stone on platforms. Moreover platforms are utterly useless in that Taluq and Mr.

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Hawksworth has wasted much money in making them where they were not wanted. He states in one place, that the sand quickly disappears getting worked in the mud by the traffic, and then expresses surprise, that he did not find any to measure some months after the end of the year. He admits that he was not in a position to say what was done, but at the same time does not hesitate to say, that money worth had not been exacted as regards labor and materials.

Mr. Hawksworth is no longer in charge of the Range, but his management of it was such that on my return to the District from

from furlough. I found nearly
all the works at a stand still.
The condition of the Range Office
is known to yourself.

I have the honor to be
/Signed/ E. A. Ford. Col. R.E.
Suptg. Engineer.

/True Copy/

Aluor
Offg. Dist. Engineer

N^o 32 Dist. Eng'rs Office, S. Arnot
Camp Culleuchawatz 13th May 1873
From,

The Offg. Dist. Engineer,
South Arnot.

To
The Secretary to Government,
D. L. W.

Enclosure. Sir,
With reference to G. O. N^o 1018 of
1. Copy of Supg. the 19th April 1872 and N^o 20 of
Eng'rs letter N^o
124 of 10th Sept 72
to Controller.

5th May 1873, I have the honor to
state, that the first mentioned G. O.
was omitted from the list of Unanswer-
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circumstances stated below, that
the subject was already disposed

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1872. a copy of which I now submit
herewith.

I have the honor to be
Your Host Obd^t Servant

M. C. Engman
Offg. Dist^l Engineer

P. W. D.

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Under date the

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Read the following:—

From the St. Surge, Santa Lucia, (L.S. No 32 of 13 May/73)

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New No. 20th May/72
G O. 9th June/72-92-93

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G. O. 19th April/73
No. 20th May/73

the above between
month 1873

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No. 20th May/73

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No. 20th May/73

Regarding the circumstances
connected with the above
No. 1018 of 19th April 1872, the
action to the Commission
Certificate for a return
from the St. Surge, Santa Lucia
from the St. Surge, Santa Lucia
reference.

CC 19th April/73
No. 20th May/73

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No. 20th May/73

CC 19th April/73
No. 20th May/73

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to the expenditures of
the maintenance grants
in question.

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To
The District Eng.
South Arcot
Controller. P.W. A.

N^o 430-31.

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To the District Engineer
South Arcot

Dated

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G. O. 30th May 1873. No 1457.

No. 14309431

Transferred Reference List.

The omission of G. O. No 1018 of
1872 regarding Completion
Certificates for certain
roads in the Tiruchellur
Range from future lists
of the District Engineer, South Arcot,
authorized with remarks.