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DEPARTMENT

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
11th July 1873.*

No. 195. Read the following letter from T. MOSS, Esq., Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Fort St. George, 17th June 1873, No. 1,377 :—

With reference to the Order of Government, No. 1,467, dated 2nd June 1873, I have the honour to state that, as therein directed, the sum of £100 will be remitted to Mr. Stoney, on receipt of a bill of exchange for that amount, for which application has been made to the Oriental Bank Corporation.

2. In connection with the subject I beg to inquire whether the course adopted is in accordance with the recognized powers of the Madras Government. No such power has been exercised by Local Governors in the other Provinces in which I have served, and as the prohibition to direct dealings with manufacturers and others in England was most forcibly expressed in one or two cases in my recollection, I deem it right to make the above inquiry in order that, if necessary, the Madras Government may explain to the Secretary of State the circumstances under which it was necessary to deal directly with Mr. Stoney, instead of through the India Office in England.

No. 196. ORDER THEREON, 11th July 1873, No. 1,793.

ACCOUNT, No. 10.

11th April 1870, No. 1,007.
12th Feb. 1873, „ 457.
20th March „ „ 884.
2nd June „ „ 1,467.

His Excellency the Governor in Council considers the remarks contained in paragraph 2 of the above letter from the Controller of Public Works Accounts inapplicable to the case in question. The orders relating to the equilibrium valves designed by

Mr. Stoney, show very clearly the circumstances under which Government have thought proper to request that gentleman to furnish an experimental set of valves of each of two distinct types, and it is quite evident that details of matters of this kind could be settled only by direct communication with the Designer.

(True Extract.)

Lieut.-Colonel, R.E.,
Joint Secretary to Government.

To the Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. S. T. Austin.
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Office of the Controller of
Public Works Accounts,
A 1377 Fort George, 17th June 1873
From
The Offg. Controller of
Public Works Accounts,
To The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Fort George.

Sir,

With reference to
the Order of Government No.
1467, dated 2 June 1873, I have
the honor to state that, as
therein directed, the sum of
£100 will be remitted to
Mr. Stoney, on receipt of a
Bill of Exchange for that
amount, for which application
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Secretary of State the circumstances under which it was necessary to deal directly with Mr. Stoney instead of through the India Office in England.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

W. J. P.
Off Controller of P.W. Accounts.

W. J. P.

Public Works 1873 Department
No. 3528
From Mr. Stoney

The Controller of
Public Accounts,
Madras.

To The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Fort St. George

Dated 17th June 1873
Recd 18th

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States the sum of
£100 will be remitted to
Mr. Stoney on receipt of
a Bill of Exchange for
that amount from the
Oriental Bank Corporation.

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From the Madras Govt
Read the following:

From the Offs: Controller of P.A. No. 1377 of 17 June 73
Mr. Aitchison

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His Excellency the
Governor in Council
considers the remarks
contained in para 2
of the above letter from
the Controller of Public
Works Accounts (quote)
uncalled for. The orders
relating to the equilib-
-rium values de-
-signed by Mr. Stoney
show very clearly

1st April 1870, £2,100
2nd Feb: 1873, " 457
20th March " " 884
2nd June " " 1467

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case in question.

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the circumstances under which Government have thought proper to request that gentleman to furnish an experimental set of valves of each of two distinct types, and it is quite evident that details of matters of this kind could be settled only by direct communication with the designer. The Com. Controller was at liberty to express an opinion that the expenditure on account of these valves might be deemed technically objectionable, but he has exceeded, his

Govt. I think here - The orders from home are very stringent & the Com Controller was perplexed about his erroneously thought his duty. It seems sufficient to point this out once to him M.C.

Excellency considers, his duty in suggesting that the Government should furnish explanations to the Secretary of State.

by 24/6/23

G.M.W.

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to the Controller
L.D. No 19/7/23

No. 3528

Govt. of 1873 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

The Off. Controller of
Mr Accounts

Dated

Recd.

Encl.

G. O. 11th July 1873. No. 1793.

Nos. 195 & 196

Equilibrium Valves.

Replying to the letter
from the Off. Controller
Mr. Acker's intimating
that a remittance of
Rs. 1000 will be made to Mr.
Acker & offering certain
conditions with reference
to orders for the
two valves directed to Mr.

N: 195-96.

Ans. 21/7/73.