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7th October 1873.*

No. 108A. Read the following letter from Major R. F. OAKES, R.E., District Engineer, Tanjore, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Tanjore, 30th August 1873, No. 565 :—

With reference to memorandum, No. 30, dated 5th March, from the Acting Under Secretary, I have the honour to inform you that I sent for Runga Pillay who said that Rupees 146 had been paid to him and not Rupees 140 as stated in his petition; he denied his signature to the duplicate copies of the certificates, and persisted for a long time in declaring that he had received only one payment and that for Rupees 146 by cheque. Subsequently he admitted having received Rupees 20 from Mr. Littlewood on one occasion and 40 on a second occasion, but stated that the Rupees 146 received by cheque were given after the other payments.

2. The accompanying statement shows the amounts of the various certificates for the two works undertaken by the contractor, and the manner in which they were paid; the four large amounts, aggregating Rupees 515, were paid by cheques, the counterfoils of which I have seen; the three small amounts, aggregating Rupees 63, were paid by Mr. Supervisor Littlewood, and I have examined the entries in the cash book extract submitted to the Range Office.

Rupees...	93
" ...	146
" ...	140
" ...	136
" ...	515
Rupees...	22
" ...	21
" ...	20
" ...	63

3. It will be observed that Rupees 115 were deducted from both bills, 41 and 63, and the amount both of earthwork and of the sum paid on certificate 41 was altogether omitted in making subsequent payments. Details of measurements for 410 cubic yards of earth, the amount brought forward in certificate No. 41, are forthcoming; and as the value of the work is Rupees 25-10-0, and Rupees 21 were paid upon it, a sum of Rupees 4-10-0 is due to the contractor in addition to the other amounts shown in the final certificates, making Rupees 52-5-0 in all; the balances apparently were not paid to him because he did not complete the works or section the banks where the earthwork was completed. I inspected this contractor's work in July 1871, and anything more disgracefully executed I never saw, and the balance shown to be due to him should not be paid as the work was never sectioned by the contractor.

	RS.	A.	P.
410 at 1 Anna ..	25	10	0
Paid ...	21	0	0
	4	10	0
	4	10	0
	16	6	0
	31	5	0
	52	5	0

4. The delay in disposing of this matter is due to the fact that the contractor on being called upon by letter to appear on a fixed date, did not put in an appearance.

* No. 361 of 25th July.

An extract* from my observations relative to these works is enclosed.

ance. An order was then sent to him through the Tahsildar to ensure delivery, and on the contractor's appearing he denied his signature to the duplicates of the memorandum of payments on the back of the contract certificates; the originals were then sent for and the contractor was ordered through the Tahsildar to appear on the 23rd instant; he did not attend the office on that date, but appeared on the 25th instant when the original contract certificates were placed before him, and

* Rupees 22.
† „ 21.

he has acknowledged his signature to certificates Nos. 40* and 41,† only denying that the signatures to the other

certificates are his, though amongst the certificates was that for Rupees 146, the amount which he acknowledges to have received. As the greater part of the amount paid to the contractor was paid by cheques, and he acknowledges the receipt of Rupees 60 in cash from Mr. Littlewood, the actual payments being Rupees 63, his claim appears to be untenable unless the cheques were presented by and the amounts paid to some other person. The cheques will be in the Accountant General's Office, and if deemed necessary they might be obtained and compared with the signatures on the two certificates 40 and 41, and with that on the enclosed paper which was written in my presence.

5. The condition of the certificates is due to a fire which broke out in the Range Office in December 1871.

* No. 91. † Of 20th January.
„ 592. „ 18th March 1873.

6. The original petitions* with the orders† upon them are returned.

Statement showing the amounts of Certificates of Work executed by Contractor Ranga Pillay and the manner in which they were paid.

CERTIFICATE.		RECEIPT.		Balance carried forward.	Deduction for last receipt.	Paid by Cheques.	Remarks.	
No.	Date.	Date.	Amount.					
Estimate No. 275 of 27th June 1870, Rupees 610.								
10	19th May 1870 ...	5th July 1870 ...	93	RS. 15 8 0	...	VII. 23,651	} Entered in Cash Book Extract.	
40	29th Sept. „ ...	29th Sept. „ ...	22	19 6 6	93			
41	1st Oct. „ ...	1st Oct. „ ...	21	24 0 6	115			
68	25th Jan. 1871 ...	27th Jan. 1871 ...	146	13 11 0	115	XI. 38,834		
85	20th Feb. „ ...	20th Feb. „ ...	20	16 6 0	261		Mr. Littlewood appears to have made this certificate out himself basing it on No. 40 instead of No. 41. Entered in Cash Book Extract.	
			302					
Estimate No. 274 of 27th June 1870.								
67	19th May 1870 ...	5th July 1870 ...	140	24 8 0		VII. 22,662		
21	21st Feb. 1871 ...	23rd Feb. 1871 ...	136	31 5 0	140	XII. 39,179		
			276					

(Signed) R. F. OAKES, Major, R.E.,
District Engineer, Tanjore.

TANJORE,
20th August 1873.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
7th October 1873.

Extract from observations by the Superintending Engineer, 6th Division, on works in
No. 4 Range, No. 361, dated 24th July 1871.

14th July.—Repairing Coriyaur south bank, estimate No. 274, Rupees 330. Of this sum Rupees 281 appear to have been expended in 1870-71. Not a single yard of the bank in the Gopalasamoodrum or Oppoor limits has been completed, and hence not a pie should have been paid for the work. Though the balance of the estimate is so small, the work appears not to be nearly completed; as the bank is most irregular in the longitudinal section, there is a difference of more than half a yard in height within 100 or 200 yards. Pits have been dug close up to the foot of the bank, which in some places has hardly any slope at all, these must all be filled up. Numerous pits have been dug within the natural slope under formation by the washing down of the artificial bank. In the case in point there is not even the shadow of an excuse for digging pits as described; not a pit should have been dug without the bank, for instance, an ample padding all along the bank.

2. Repairing Coriyaur north bank in the limits of Roomthakudal, etc., estimate No. 275 of Rupees 610, Rupees 311-8-0 expended in 1870-71. What has been paid above is applicable to this bank; the work terminates 40 yards west of the spot indicated in the estimate, leaving a breach over the padugay into a drainage channel in rear of the bank.

3. The estimate provides for widening the north bank in rear; it has almost everywhere been widened in front, owing to this there should be a saving of at least 25 per cent. on the estimate for this limit.

(True Extract)

TANJORE,
30th August 1873.

(Signed) R. F. OAKES, Major, R.E.,
District Engineer, Tanjore.

No. 108B.

ORDER THEREON, 7th October 1873, No. 2,400A.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 5A.

The District Engineer will refer Contractor Runga Pillay to the Civil Court for redress of any grievance he may persist in bringing forward. The contract certificates referred to will be returned for safe custody in the District Engineer's Office.

2. The Superintending Engineer's remarks, under date July 1871, upon the work executed by the contractor, will prove an effectual bar to Mr. Supervisor Littlewood's further promotion, until counterbalanced by direct and explicit report of his having greatly improved in his management of work.

(True Extract.)

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

To the District Engineer, Tanjore, with seven Contract Certificates.
" Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Ed. E. C. Shunker.
Spare Copies.

Extract from observations by the
Superintending Engineer, 6th Division on works
in No. 4 Range—No. 361, dated 25th July 1871.

14th July — Repairing Coriyaur South Bank

Estimate No. 274—Rupees 330.—

If this sum Rs 281 appear to have been expended in 1870-71. Not a single yard of the bank in the Gopalasamoodrum or Oppoor limits has been completed and hence not a pie should have been paid for the work. Though the balance of the Estimate is so small the work appears not to be nearly completed as the bank is most irregular in the longitudinal section there is a difference of more than $\frac{1}{2}$ yard in height within 100 or 200 yards. Pits have been dug close up to the foot of the bank which in some places has hardly any slope at all these must all be filled up. Numerous pits have been dug within the natural slope under formation by the washing down of the artificial bank. In the case in point there is not even the shadow of an excuse for

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pit should have been dug without
the bank for there is an ample Pa-
dugay all along the bank.

Repairing Coriyann North bank in
the limits of Koomithi the Dak R.R.
Estimate. No 275 of Rd. Co. - Rd. 24 - 25 -
reponed in 1870-71 - What has been
said above is applicable to this
bank the work terminates 46 yards
west of the spot indicated in the
Estimate leaving a breach over the
Padugay into a drainage channel in
rear of the bank.

The Estimate provides for widening
the North bank in rear it has almost
every where been widened in front,
owing to this there should be a saving
of at least 25 per cent on the Estimate
for this limit.

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/ True & correct /

A. F. Drake Major R.E.

District Engineer Tanjore

Tanjore -
30th Aug 1873.

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Back.

Entered in Cash Book betw. —
— do — 23 — — do —

Mr. Littlewood appears to have made this certificate out himself basing it on No 40 instead of No. 41.
Entered in Cash Book betwixt. —

[Faint handwritten notes and calculations are visible through the paper.]

W. G. A. McKay is P.R. -
Orbital Engineers, Lansing

Continued showing the
evidence of Certificate of
Work recorded on Saturday
Bungay Valley & the manner
in which they were paid.

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No 24600/11-11

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about...
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does not...
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no...
duty...
10th March 1873.

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73. ... to ... officer

1/3/73. Wynne, Colne
Day to Day

Abstract

Brings to notice that
on the receipt of his
former petition dated
20th Dec. last, which
was referred to the
S^t Engineer, that
affairs

Enclosure in a letter
No 565, dated 30 August 1938
from the District Magistrate
Pangloss, to the Secretary to
Government D. P. M.

7. Contract Certificate.

Enclosure in a letter
No. 568, Dated 20th Aug 1882.
from the District Officer
Bangalore, to the Secretary
to Govt. D. P. No.

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Retract from observations
by the Pipe Engineers
6th Division, on works in
No 4 Range No 361, Dated
25th July 1871.—

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Range off coast from lower New Britain to
Heath

200 The dead *Lachrymans* in bed,
having given up spirit, still with arms
wreathed, suggested *Pinus* var. *f.*

3. For your kind young person
visited this place and to the
Office and over to the Superintendent
Cannon by foot to and the
other got some of our them.

Mr. Adams being a very healthy
father is a favored & large family
and he has means to support
his trading business with
the same amount of money
and less, which will be a great
and the debt is less. He is now
in a better position than he was
therefore, remains to submit his
humble petition to your Hon.

with a hope that your honor
may refer this to the U. S. S. S. S.
and to the Committee of the Council
which the remaining line of all posts
on survey. I. a she is included

Learned that I have been for

2. *Antennae* 3-seg. beyond funiculus,
 3rd seg. of antennae shorter than
 2nd seg. of antennae, and
 3rd seg. of antennae shorter than
 4th seg. of antennae.

My dear Mr. May

Salug. only Rs 140 was
 paid by the late su-
 pervisor; and that the
 present Supervisor,
 who inspected the work,
 directed the pte to
 wait; but that he has
 not yet paid the arrears,
 that pte obtained no
 address from the Range
 Officer.

Prays, therefore,
 that the Range Officer
 may be directed to in-
 quire into the matter
 and to pay to pte
 Rs 600 due to him.

Government of Madras,
 Public Works DEPARTMENT.

Petition No. 94 of 1873.
 From Ranga Pillai
 Occupation. late contractor
 Village. Comar
 Talook. Tritapond
 District. Tanjore
 Dated 20th December 1872
 Received 6th January 1873
 Enclosures.
 Abstract.

Ranga to motion that
 out of the sum of
 Rs 700 due to pte for
 work done on road
 west of Tritapond
 Taluk, District Tanjore.

No 2160 M.D.

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 Read the Morning

In the 1st Eng Sargre (H.R. No 565-730 Aug 73)

The District
 Engineer will refer
 contractor Ranga
 Pillay to the post part
 for redress of any
 grievance he may
 persist in bringing
 forward. The
 Contract Certificate
 referred to will be
 returned for safe
 custody in the Dis-
 trict Engineer's office.

The Supr Engineer's
remarks under date
July 1871 upon the
work executed by the
Contractor will prove
an effectual bar to
Mr. Supervisor Littlewood's
further promotion, until
counterbalanced by
direct and explicit re-
proof of his having greatly
improved in his ma-
nagement of work.

G.M.W.

To The Supr Engineer

Contractor

Accepted in M.S.

S.C. 810 7-10-73

No 108
Govt. of Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

The District Engineer
Tanjore

Date

Recd.

of a/c to 24 Oct.

For 108/108

Contractor Runga
Pillay. Paperwork
in letter from the
Eng. Tanjore, reporting
on the claim of Runga
Pillay for work done
at the Corayalur banks.

No 108/108