

(1) Number of pages _____

(2) Date of repair _____

(3) Initials of the Referencer _____

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	336, 337	Press
12, 13, 14, 15,		Ms.
Dated	1 - 2 -	18 73

Not to be folded or roughly handled

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
1st February 1873.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 12. From the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Account—General,) to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Fort William, 13th December 1872, No. 1,016—A. G.

With reference to the Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Public Works Department, (Account,) for the month of September 1872, I am directed to inquire whether the loss of timber in the store-yard at Bellary, described in entries Nos. 77-8, occurred before the introduction of proper stock accounts and before the Controller of Public Works Accounts was in a position to exercise that check which is apparently now possible, judging from certain forms of account furnished to the Accountant-General, Public Works Department, by the Controller in explanation of the system followed in Madras.

2. If the stock accounts and returns were submitted during any portion of the period referred to in the above quoted Proceedings, I am to request that the Controller of Public Works Accounts may be required to report on them; their nature; their agreement one with the other, and the action he took on them, particularly with reference to the half-yearly returns in which actual balances have to be recorded.

No. 13. From the Controller of Public Works Accounts, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Fort St. George, 7th January 1873, No. 2,309.

ADVERTING to Captain Smith's letter No. 188, dated 21st December 1872, I have the honour to invite attention to paragraph 3 of my letter of the 17th June 1872, No. 697, wherein I specially reported that, in pursuance of the orders communicated in this office memorandum No. 4,605, dated 13th March 1868, the stock accounts of the Bellary Range were closed in that month, "Stock" being credited with the value of timber with which it had previously been charged, and the "Works" to which the timber was arbitrarily transferred correspondingly debited. No new purchases of timber appeared in the *Stock* accounts from and after April 1868, so that the necessity for the check to which allusion is made by the Government of India has not since arisen.

2. In reference to paragraph 2 of Colonel Dickens' letter, I beg to refer to the Order of the 24th October 1867, No. 3,306, which prescribes that for the reasons therein given, the check over stock shall be exercised by Superintending Engineers, who, as per Form herewith sent, furnish this office with half-yearly certificates to the effect that the tools and plant and stock on hand have been counted, and found to correspond with the balances exhibited in the periodical returns furnished to them in accordance with paragraph 27 of Section II. of the Madras Manual of Public Works Accounts.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
1st February 1873.*

F O R M.

CERTIFICATE to accompany the Balance Return of "Tools and Plant" under the charge of Major T. Beckley, R. E., Executive Engineer on special duty, Ganjam District, for the half-year ending 30th September 1872.

I do hereby certify that on the date marginally noted, I counted the "Tools and Plant" as well as "Stock" remaining in my custody and those with my subordinates recently on works,

10th October 1872.

and found them to be corresponding with the quantities exhibited in the column "Balance as actually counted" of the above Store Return.

CHETTERPORE,
12th October 1872.

(Signed) T. BECKLEY, Major, R.E.,
Executive Engineer on special duty, Ganjam.

(Signed) J. W. MARTIN, Assistant Engineer,
for Ag. Supp. Engr., 1st Division.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) S. BROCK,
Controller of Public Works Accounts.

No. 14. ORDER THEREON, 1st February 1873, No. 336.

ACCOUNT, No. 1.

ORDERED that the following letter
be sent:—

(Here enter No. 337, dated 1st February 1873.)

(True Extract.)

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

Exd. S. T. Austin.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE, 1st February 1873.

No. 15.

No. 337.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

ACCOUNT, No. 2.

SIR,—I am directed to forward, for the information of the Government of India, the accompanying letter from the Controller of Public Works Accounts furnishing the explanation asked for in your letter No. 1,016, dated 13th December 1872. It will be observed that owing to the Range Officer having misunderstood the Notification for closing Stock Accounts, issued in March 1868 by the Controller, the predecessor of Mr. Brock, the opportunity for exercising the check referred to was not afforded.

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

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

Form.

Certificate to accompany the Balance
Return of "Tools and Plant" under the
charge of Major J. Beckley R.E. Executive
Engineer on Special duty Ganjam
District, for the half year ending
30th September 1872.

10th October 1872

I do hereby certify that on the
dates marginally noted, I counted
the "Tools and Plant" as well as
"stock" remaining in my custody and
show with my subordinates recently
on works and found them to be
corresponding with the quantities
exhibited in the column "Balance as
actually counted" of the above Store
Return.

Special Sec: Engr's office
Battersea 12th Oct. 1872

Signed J. Beckley Major R.E.
Engr. on Special duty
Ganjam

Signed J. H. Martin Asst. Engr.
Pr. Engr. Supg. Engr. 1st Div.
(Ind. Engr.) J. Hooley

Controller of P.W. Accounts

A

Office of the Controller of
Public Works Accounts
Fort Saint George, 7th January 1873.

N^o 2309

From,
The Controller of P.W. Accounts,
To,
The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Fort Saint George

Sir,

2. Adverting to Captain
Smith's letter N^o 188, dated
21st December 1872, I have
the honor to invite attention
to para 3 of my letter of the
17th June 1872, N^o 697, where
in I specially reported that,
in pursuance of the orders
communicated in this
office

Enclosed are letter
from the Controller of
P.W. Accounts to the
Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Fort Saint George dated
7th January 1873. N^o 2309
C.R. 8/1/73.

Office Memo. No. 4605, dated
13th March 1868, the Stock
Accounts of the Bellary
Range were closed in
that month, "Stock" being
credited with the value
of timber with which it
had previously been charged,
and the "Works" to which
the timber was arbitrarily
transferred correspondingly
debited. No new purchases
of timber appeared in the
Stock Accounts from and
after April 1868, so that
the necessity for the check
to which allusion is made
by the Government of India
has

9E 3
has not since arisen.
2. In reference to para
2 of Colonel Dickens' letter,
I beg to refer to the order
of the 24th October 1867,
No. 3306, which prescribes
that for the reasons
therein given, the check
over Stock shall be
exercised by Superintending
Engineers, who, as per
form herewith sent, fur-
-nish this Office with
half yearly Certificates
to the effect that the
tools and plant and
Stock on hand have
been counted, and found
to.

to correspond with the balances
exhibited in the periodical
returns furnished to them
in accordance with para
27 of Section II of the Madras
Manual of Public Works
Accounts.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

S. Hooley

Controller of P.W. Accounts.

Pro 24th October/67 105110530
" 6th Sept 172 - 7778
" 24 Dec 172 - 1189m

P. W. 1873 Department
No. 87. 72

From,
The Controller of P. W. Accounts,
To,
The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Fort St. George.
2

Dated 7th January 1873.
Recd. 8th }
N^o 2309

Affording information
on letter from the Govern-
ment of India regarding
the Bellary Timber
fraud.

Under direction
N^o 336-337-1st Feb 73

No 13

6/10/73 R. 184

N^o 336

Public Works Department

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the January 1873

Read the following:-

From,

The Government of India. } (H. E. L. 1016 B. 2 13 Dec 72)

" Controller of P. W. Accounts } (N. 2309 of 7 Jan 73)

Order thereon January 1873
N^o

MM

Ordered that the
following letter be sent.

To The Secretary to the
Government of India

Lee

I am directed to forward for the information of the Government of India the accompanying letter from the Controller of Public Works Accounts furnishing the explanation asked for in your letter No. 1016 dated 13th December 1872. It will be observed that owing to the (ill judged) compliances by the Range-Officers

Range Officer having mis-
understood

6151 ant. 17. 18.

In closing I have to
with the notification issued by the predecessor of Mr. Brock,
from the Controller's Office

The opportunity for exer-
cising the check referred
to was not afforded.

C.S.

W.M.

...
...
...
...
...
...
...

Desp. 4/2/73
700 of 400 336 of 1873.

...
...
...

N^o 12. 14. 15.

6. 15. 1873

287 876317-

Govt. of Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

Secretary to the
Govt. India

Dates

Encl.

Encl. 2

G. O. / *Feb* 1873, No 336-337

No. 12 @ 14715

Order

Bellary timber found.
By order on a letter
from the Govt of India
requiring information
on the subject of -

Letter

Furnishing informa-
tion regarding the
Bellary timber found.