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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
6th June 1874.*

No. 107. Read the following letter from Colonel C. H. DICKENS, R.A. Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Account—General,) to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Fort William, 24th April 1874, No. 301 A.—G.:—

I AM directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 725, dated 26th March 1874, and in reply to observe that the expenditure on Public Works must be guided and limited by the Budget grant of the Public Works Department. No further expenditure on Public Works is legitimate on the ground that there is short or diminished expenditure in other departments of the State. In the present case it has been ascertained that the Mint estimates of the current year have been framed on the supposition that the copper referred to in your letter will be received, so that no transfer of funds can be made from the Mint estimates to provide for the cost of the timber which the Government of Madras desire to purchase. Under these circumstances, the cost of the timber must be provided for by a re-appropriation of Budget credits, or if this is not possible its purchase must be postponed until funds are available.

No. 108. ORDER THEREON, 6th June 1874, No. 1,490.

ACCOUNT, No. 14.

ORDERED that the Government of India be addressed on the subject of this letter. Meanwhile, in order to lay the foundation of a stock of timber, His Excellency the Governor in Council authorizes the reduced allotment (Rupees 46,000) of the Madras Telegraph and Post Office being utilized for the purpose. The District Engineer, Presidency, will arrange for the purchase of teakwood to this extent within the current official year.

(Here enter No. 1,491, dated 6th June 1874.)

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Presidency.
,, Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. S. T. Austin,
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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
OOTACAMUND, 6th June 1874.

No. 103.

No. 1,491.

FROM

COLONEL G. W. WALKER, R.E.,
Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Public Works Department,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
Public Works Department.

ACCOUNT, No. 15.

SIR,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 301 A. G., dated 24th April 1874, in respect to the stock of timber which the Madras Government desire to purchase in lieu of the copper sheeting which they have made over to the Calcutta Mint.

2. It has been decided by the Government of India that no additional grant can be made, and that the supply of timber required must be provided for by a re-appropriation of Budget credits. I am to observe that the possibility of this arrangement has been to a great extent prevented by the decrease of Imperial allotments for Civil Buildings, a sum

* Letter No. 312, A. B., dated 28th Aug. 1873. of Rupees 50,000 having been withdrawn* by the Government of India
„ „ 429, A. B., „ 16th Dec. „

in 1873-74, and the current year's grant having been similarly reduced by Rupees 50,000.† As the only available resource, His Excellency the Governor

† Procs. No. 184 A. G., dated 1st April 1874. in Council has been compelled to authorize the reduced allotment of Rupees 46,000 for the Madras Telegraph and Post Office being utilized for the purchase of a stock of timber as a beginning, the amount being too small to be advantageously employed on the Telegraph Office buildings.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

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Govt. of Madras
PUBLIC WORKS.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT
OF INDIA.

Dated June 5th.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 6th June 1874, No. 1491.

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No. 100

STATING that the Madras Government have, for reasons urged, authorized the reduced allotment of Rupees 46,000 for the Madras Telegraph and Post Office being utilized for the purchase of a stock of timber at Madras.

Public Works Department
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Proceedings of the Madras Government

Read the following

From

The Govt of India
PWD (Here Enter No. 301. A.G. dated
21 April 1874)

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the Madras Telegraph Post
Office being utilized for
the purpose. The District
Engineer, Presidency will
arrange for the purchase
of Teak wood to this ex-
tent within the current
official year.

M.E. No 14919

To D. E. Presidency ✓
" Comptroller ✓
S. Copies despatched to the 13/6/74.

To
The Secy to the
Govt of India P.O.

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in respect to the stock of
timber which the Madras
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In reply I am
to point out that the
mint has admittedly
benefited to the extent of
half a lakh of Rupees
by reduction of the esti-
-mate of 1874-75, owing
to the transfer from the
stock of copper in pos-
-session of the Madras
Govt.

Government; yet though
pressed to make a cor-
-responding return, for
the benefit of the public
service, by enabling a
stock of timber to be
laid in, the Government
of India have repudiated
the just claim by the
renunciation of a general
principle to the effect
that extra expenditure
in one Department of
the State is not legitima-
-tized by reduced outlay
in other Departments.

On this ground ^{has been} it is decided ^{by the Govt.} that

that no additional grant
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the supply of timber re-
-quired must be provided
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of Budget credits. But
I am to observe that the
possibility of this ar-
-rangement has been
to a great extent obvi-
-ated by the decrease of
Imperial allotments
for Civil Buildings; a
sum of Rs. 30,000 having
been withdrawn by the
Government of India
in 1873/74 - and the cur-
-rent year's grant having
been

* Letter no 312 A.B. d/28 Aug 73.
" 429 A.B. " 10 Dec " "

been ^{similarly} reduced by Rs 50,000 - * P.O. No: 184 A.G. dt 15/4/74.

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the Telegraph office
buildings -

G.M.M.

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Govt. of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

Mr. Engr. Presy
Secy. to Govt. of India

Dated

Recd.

Encl.

G. O. No. 1490
1491

No. 107-109.

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Timber - The Govt. of India
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year -