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24th January 1874.*

Read the following letters:—

No. 313 From Colonel E. A. FOORD, R.E., Inspecting Engineer for Civil and Military Buildings, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Bangalore, 7th December 1873, No. 1,635:—

I HAVE the honour to forward, for the sanction of Government, a revised estimate of Rupees 801-14-0 in the form of a comparative statement for constructing a dead-house in connection with the Civil Dispensary at Munjacoopum, (Cuddalore.)

One Comparative Statement.

2. An estimate of Rupees 685 was sanctioned in G. O., No. 709, of the 5th March 1870, and the amount was granted in G. O., No. 220, of the 29th January 1873. The estimate has been exceeded by Rupees 116-14-0, and the excess has been principally in the items of brick-in-chunam and roofing. The rate for the former has been increased from 2 Annas a cubic foot to 2½ Annas. Ten years ago it was increased from 1½ to 2 Annas, and under similar circumstances, viz., on a new Range Officer's taking charge. The present rate is higher than that prevailing in Chingleput and North Arcot, but lower than in Tanjore and Trichinopoly. As railway works are about to be commenced in South Arcot it is not likely to go down.

3. The District Engineer reports that the building has been completed and that the work is good.

No. 314. From the same Officer dated Chepauk, 16th December 1873, No. 1,676.

In reply to your memorandum of the 14th of December, No. 493, I have the honour to state that, in my opinion, the rise in the rate of brick-work on two occasions in the Cuddalore Range was attributable solely to an Executive Officer, new to the range and to the district, taking charge. This is not the opinion of the present District Engineer, who states in his letter to me of the 25th of October, No. 140:—"I know that brick work in chunam cannot now be done for 2 Annas the cubic foot, and the workmanship and materials in this instance are very good."

No. 315. ORDER THEREON, 24th January 1874, No. 159.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 21.

It appears from this correspondence that a building, estimated in February 1870 to cost Rupees 685, for which funds were finally allotted three years later, has been completed in the current year at a cost of Rupees 802, or Rupees 117 in excess. Of this sum Rupees 40 is due to an error in calculation of the roofing, which the Inspecting Engineer has not noticed; and Rupees 46 to an enhanced charge for brick-work, of which he does not approve, attributing it to no other cause than the charge of the range having fallen into the hands of a Range Officer new to the district.

2. The Acting District Engineer sustains the charge, and it will be passed on this occasion; but Mr. Norfor will distinctly understand, and let Mr. Sub-Engineer Wiffen know, that in future when they take on themselves to exceed

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sanctioned rates without previous report of the necessity of any revision, and fail to justify such excess to the satisfaction of the Inspecting Engineer, they will be held personally liable for the same. Colonel Foord's long acquaintance with the South Arcot District renders his opinion on this occasion decisive.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, South Arcot.
,, Inspecting Engineer for Buildings.
,, Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts.

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTING ENGINEER
FOR CIVIL AND MILITARY BUILDINGS,
Chopank, Bangalore, 1st December 1873.

No. 1635

Bangalore

From

THE INSPECTING ENGINEER

FOR CIVIL AND MILITARY BUILDINGS,

To

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department

SIR,

Enclosure 1
Comparative
Statement -

I have the honor to forward for the sanction of Government a revised estimate of Rs. 801-14- in the form of a comparative statement for constructing a Dead House in connection with the Civil Dispensary at Menjacobam (Cooldalore).

2. An estimate of Rs 685 was sanctioned in G.O. N: 709, of the 5th March 1870, and the amount was granted in G.O. N: 220, of the 29th January 1873. The estimate has been exceeded by Rs. 116-14- and the excess has been principally in the items of brick in chunam and roofing. The rate for the former has been increased from

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As railway works are about to be com-
menced in South Arcot, it is not likely
to go down.

3. The District Engineer reports
that the building has been completed
and that the work is good.

I have the honor to be,
Sir

Your Most Obedient Servant
Edwd. Colwell R.E.
Inspecting Engineer for
Civil & Military Buildings

P. 37. 1843. Richard.
Jan. 9. 1843. No. 6643.

No. 1035

**From
The Inspecting Engineer
for Buildings,**

To

The *Deas & Sons*

29 Dec

Dr. J. H. Mearns No 493
Bristol: 1/1/13.

Dated 27
 Decr. 10
 Recd. 10
 Dec. 1873.

1st Memoirs for donation
a revised edition of
No 801-14 - for conducting
a Dead House in connection
with the kind dispensary
at Hongkong Lun,
Shanghai West 35 -
No 159-140, dated 17th

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Dec 18. 1873

Edw. J. Colwell, R. E.
Insp. & Engr. of Buildings.

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTING ENGINEER
FOR CIVIL AND MILITARY BUILDINGS,
Chennai, 16 December 1873

No.

From

THE INSPECTING ENGINEER

FOR CIVIL AND MILITARY BUILDINGS,

To

The Chief Engineer
J. W. Department

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In reply to your Memo of the
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No.

South Arcot District

No. 1 Range

Executive Officer

Enclosed in a letter No. 1635
dated 7 Dec 73

CO No. 159-24-1-74

P. M. 16643/73

In Eng.

Comparative Statement

Personneling a Road

House attached to the

Unit Dispensary at

Abney's compound

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very good.

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your most Obedient servant
E A Milford P.E.
Inspecting Engineer
for Buildings

No. 159 P. W. Sept 1873

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From The Inspecting Engineer } (H. E. No. 1635 of 7th Decr. 1873)
Buildings }
From Secy. Secy. (H. E. No. 1676 of 16th Decr. 1873)

It appears from this correspondence that a building, estimated in February 1870 to cost Rs. 685, for which funds were finally allotted 3 years later, has been completed in the current year at a cost of Rs. 802, or Rs. 117 in excess. Of this sum Rs. 40 is due to an error in calculation of the Roofing, which the Inspecting Engineer has not noticed; and Rs. 46 to an enhanced charge for Brickwork, of which he does not approve, attributing it to no other cause than the charge of

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1873 Decr. 12
No. 1676

From

The Inspecting Engineer
for Buildings

To

The Chief Engineer
1873

Dated 16th Decr. 1873.
Recd. 17

State Secy.

Opinion regarding the
rise in the rate of
brick work in the
Madras Range,
South Arcot District
No. 159. 24 Aug. 1873.

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Inspecting Eng. they will be
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the same. Coll. Torold's
long acquaintance with
the South Coast District
renders his opinion on this
occasion decisive -

Emu

To The Dist. Eng. South Coast
" Dist. Eng. for Railways
" Controller of M.A.

Respectfully Dec 26/76

11-57/74

11-18 Dec 7/76

Mr. 6643 & 6872

Govt. of 1874 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To the District Engineer
South Arcot.

Dated

Recd.

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G. O. 24¹⁸⁷⁴ No. 159.

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Dead House. Passing orders
on letters from the Inspector
for building, submitting a
revised estimate for a dead
house in connection with the
Civil Dispensary at
Munjaasopur, South
Arcot etc.