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21st August 1874.*

No. 522. 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 Madras, 24th July 1874, No. 3,464 :—

With reference to paragraph 15 of Government Order, No. 1,906, of the 15th instant, relative to the unauthorized expenditure on Irrigation Works in the Godavery District, I have the honor to state, for the information of Government, that, in respect to the charges for boats, the District Engineer appears to have had good reason for supposing that this office concurred in his opinion that such charges might be met from the Agricultural Repair grant. This Office appears to have regarded Government Order, No. 2,726, of the 19th August 1869, as recognizing the liability of the repair grant to bear such charges, and as District Engineers have the power to sanction any amount under "Repairs," no objection was made to the appropriations under that head for boats.

2. Some explanation seems to be necessary from this office relative to the other items of unauthorized outlay, and, therefore, I beg to state that it has been the practice in this office to accept the classification of District Engineers as made in their monthly Appropriation Returns, and it is perhaps natural that items deliberately placed under *Repairs* in such returns should be regarded by this office as more likely to be wrong in the *description* than in the *classification*, the more so as correction of an omission to write the syllable *Re* before the word *construction*, would in many cases alter the character of items of work, and make them appropriate entries under "Repairs." I have, however, arranged that doubtful entries in Appropriation Returns of District Engineers shall not be accepted unquestioned in future.

No. 523. ORDER THEREON, 21st August 1874, No. 2,359.

IRRIGATION, No. 49.
<i>Account.</i>

THE arrangement sanctioned in G. O., 19th August 1869, No. 2,726, was made under exceptional circumstances to meet an emergent requirement. There is nothing in the order to indicate that

the power of sanctioning the construction of additions to the floating plant had been conferred upon the Superintending Engineer. Both before and afterwards the ordinary course has been to obtain the sanction of Government to estimates for this description of outlay, and there is no intention of repeating the sanction for the construction of floating plant out of Repair funds, unless the Government should consider that special circumstances render it necessary or advisable to allow a departure from the usual arrangement, which is that all plant should be provided for from funds appertaining to that head.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. MULLINS, Lieut.-Colonel, R.E.,

Joint Secretary to Government.

To the Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Ed. S. T. Austin.

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Office of the Controller of
P.W. Accounts
No 3464 Madras 24th July 1874.

From
The Controller of P.W. Accounts.
To The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department.

Sir,

With reference to para 15 of Government Order No 1906 of the 15th instant relative to the unauthorized Expenditure on Irrigation Works in the Godavari District, I have the honor to state for the information of Government that in respect to the charges for Boats, the District Engineer appears to have had good reason for supposing that this Office concurred in his opinion that such charges might be met from the Agricultural Repair Grant.

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This Office appears to have misapprehended Government Order No. 2726 of the 19th August 1869, as recognizing the liability of the Repair Grant to bear such charges and as District Engineers have the power to sanction any amount under "Repairs" no objection was made to the Appropriations under that head for boats.

2. Some explanation seems to be necessary from this Office relative to the other items of unauthorized outlay and therefore I beg to state that it has been the practice in this Office to accept the classification of District Engineers as made in their Monthly Appropriation Returns, and it is perhaps natural that items deliberately placed under Repairs in such Returns should be refunded by this

This Office is more likely to be wrong in the description than in the classification, the more so, as correction of an omission to write the syllable Re before the word Construction, would in many cases alter the character of items of work and make them appropriate entries under "Repairs." I have however arranged that doubtful entries in Appropriation Returns of District Engineers shall not be accepted unquestioned in future.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Yours most Obedt. Servt.

John

Off^r Controller P.W. Secy.

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From
The Offg Controller of
P.W. Accounts

The Secretary of Govt
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Read the following:—

From the Contr. of P.W. Accounts (H.E. No. 3464 of 24 July 1874)

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To Mr. Controller
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To the Controller
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To

The Comr. P.W.

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relative to charges in-
curred on account of
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