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No. 303. Read the following endorsement of the Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts, dated Madras, 25th August 1874, No. 4,576 :—

REPORT ON THE APPROPRIATION AND OUTLAY ACCOUNT OF THE
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, MADRAS PRESIDENCY,
FOR THE YEAR 1873-74.

Imperial Ordinary, Public Works, Buildings and Roads Branch.

THE original grant was Rupees 7,63,000, but by a withdrawal of Rupees 50,000 from the Civil portion and an addition of Rupees 17,000 to the Military portion of the grant, the final grant at the end of the year stood at Rupees 7,33,000, including Rupees 15,000 intended for expenditure in England. Against this final grant the expenditure incurred was Rupees 6,95,886, but deducting for expenditure in England, and taking into account the fluctuation in stock balance, etc., the net debit on account of expenditure in India was Rupees 6,71,325, so that, as compared with the net grant (Rupees 7,18,000) for expenditure in India, the outlay in India was Rupees 46,675 short of the amount sanctioned.

2. MILITARY—*Original Works*.—Under this head the original grant was Rupees 2,50,000, the final grant Rupees 2,66,700, and the outlay Rupees 2,69,461. Fifteen works were brought forward in the Budget, and of these the following were not undertaken :—

Item 4.—Improvements to Barracks, Hospitals, and other buildings at Poonamallee.

Item 10.—New range with butts for the Native Infantry at Mangalore.

Item 15.—Stables for the Commissariat Mules at the Presidency.

The grant for the first item was transferred by the Local Government to meet the cost of a temporary hospital at Poonamallee, the second work was not undertaken owing to delay in getting a site, and the third work was deferred pending decision of the question whether the shelter proposed for mules was actually necessary. Of the other twelve works the progress may be said to have

been fair. On four* of them the expenditure exceeded the Budget grant, but only in one case (*Item 9†*) was the estimate exceeded owing to omissions

and insufficient provision. On the other eight works the outlay was short of the grant in each case.

3. MILITARY—*Repairs*.—The expenditure (Rupees 2,59,703) has exceeded the Budget grant (Rupees 2,50,000) by

Rupees 9,703, and is higher than the outlay in any one of the previous five* years. But the expenditure can hardly be objected to on the ground that it is higher than in previous years, for in

respect to buildings of a temporary or semi-permanent character, the outlay on repairs increases steadily, and it must be remembered that this head (*Repairs*) includes all payments for house-rent and compensation for inferior quarters to Military and Medical subordinates.

	RS.
* 1868-69	1,88,262
1869-70	1,83,110
1870-71	2,23,005
1871-72	2,23,485
1872-73	2,43,069

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13th October 1874.*

4. **CIVIL BUILDINGS—Original Works.**—Under this head the original grant was Rupees 66,950, the final grant Rupees 15,019, and the expenditure Rs. 21,016. The final grant does not however include Rupees 8,710 mentioned by the Government of India in letter, No. 15 AB, of 13th January 1874, (G. O., No. 151, of the 23rd idem,) as the amount within which necessary expenditure may be returned as authorized excess expenditure over the grant. Of the outlay of Rupees 21,016 above mentioned Rupees 12,970 was on Telegraph buildings and Rupees 8,076 on Post Office buildings. In addition to Major works, Minor works under these heads have also been detailed in Part III. in case it should be necessary to have such information in the Local Public Works Secretariat and in the Office of the Accountant-General, Public Works Department.

* Telegraph
Postal.

III. in case it should be necessary to have such information in the Local Public Works Secretariat and in the Office of the Accountant-General, Public Works Department.

Telegraph Buildings.—The Telegraph Office at Bellary was completed at a cost of Rupees 17,914, against an estimate of Rupees 17,890. No outlay during the year appears for the Telegraph Office at Madras, which work is in abeyance owing to difference of opinion as regards accommodation. Outlay was incurred in collecting materials; but, as the materials were transferred to other works, no charge appears against the item; indeed, there is a reduction of expenditure, owing to transfer of materials charged to the work in previous years. The Telegraph Office at Negapatam in the Tanjore District, estimated to cost Rupees 12,500, was completed by an expenditure of Rupees 13,201. The slight excess over estimate is due to increase in rates for brick-work and to some additional wood-work not provided for. This work does not appear in the Budget for 1873-74, as its completion was expected in 1872-73.

Post Office Buildings.—The Budget contained no specific allotment for individual works, but it may be mentioned that a Post Office at Caroor in the Coimbatore District was completed during the year at a total cost of Rupees 5,070, the expenditure of the year being Rupees 755, and the estimate Rupees 5,075. A similar building, estimated to cost Rupees 5,330, was also completed at Vythery in the Wynad; the total outlay was Rupees 5,234, the expenditure of the year being Rupees 84. Two smaller Post Offices were completed, one in Chingleput and the other at Sattoor in the Tinnevely District. Both were commenced in the previous year, and cost the former Rupees 1,579 and the latter Rupees 1,500. The other works do not call for special notice.

5. **CIVIL BUILDINGS—Repairs.**—The outlay under this head has been Rs. 3,996 (Rupees 823 on Telegraph buildings and Rupees 3,173 on Postal buildings) against the final grant of Rupees 4,751. There is nothing calling for remark under this head.

6. **Establishment.**—The charges under this head amount to Rupees 1,24,996, or at the rate of 22.6 per cent. on the outlay on works and repairs, aggregating Rupees 5,54,206. The Establishment charges were distributed in accordance with the orders quoted in the margin. As remarked by the Government of India, Public Works Department, in Resolution No. 406-7 A G, of the

* Military Rs. 1,19,082
Civil Buildings " 5,914
Total... .. 1,24,996

No. 199 of 24th March 1873.
" 973 of 28th
" 164 of 24th July "

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13th October 1874.*

8th June 1874, (Government Order, No. 1,927, of the 17th July 1874,) the arrangement "gives immense trouble in accounts," and it may be added here that since the closing of the books of 1873-74 mistakes in respect to debits have been discovered which will have to be rectified by write-back entries in the books of 1874-75. The cost of the entire establishment will be found reviewed in the report on local funds outlay.

7. **Tools and Plant.**—The outlay has been Rupees 15,811* under this head against the Budget provision of Rupees 42,200. With effect from 1873-74 the charges under this head are made directly to the heads of service actually benefited and not distributed ratably

* Military Rs. 15,097
Civil Buildings " 714
Total... .. 15,811

over all heads as used to be done in previous years. This change was sanctioned by Government in G. O., No. 2,094, dated the 22nd August 1873.

It is a matter of regret that the altered rule referred to cannot be applied to Tools and Plant charged in the accounts of the Public Works Store Department and kept available for issue to the department generally as wants arise. On this subject the Government has been recently addressed, *vide* this office letter, No. 3,103, of the 13th July 1874.

8. **Profit and Loss.**—The charge of Rupees 873 under this head represents the value of Imperial Stores lost in the Steamer *Dhoolia*. The present adjustment was sanctioned by Government in G. O., No. 1,630, of the 17th June 1874.

9. **Public Works Revenue.**—In the Budget the revenue was estimated at Rupees 62,000, but in the Regular Estimate it was estimated at Rupees 82,600. The actual receipts have been Rupees 99,529, and compared with the Regular Estimate the items stand thus:—

	Regular Estimate.	Actuals.
	RS.	RS.
Tolls, dues, etc.	5,300	5,239
Rents of buildings	17,500	16,302
Sales of produce	600	462
Sales of buildings, old materials, and Tools and Plant	59,200	77,535
Total...	82,600	99,529

The great excess or difference occurs in the last item which includes the profit (Rupees 18,435) arising from the working of the Dowlaishweram Factory, not anticipated in drawing up the estimates.

10. The following items remained classed as "objectionable" at the close of the year:—

Expenditure in excess of estimate beyond prescribed limitation.

RS.
I.—Improving the supply of water to the Cantonment of Bellary ... 36,483
II.—Converting the old Cavalry Saddle-rooms into quarters for Staff
Serjeants at Trichinopoly 362

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Expenditure in excess of grant beyond prescribed limitation.

III.—Re-roofing Nos. 4, 5 and 7 Blocks of Barracks for European Infantry at Bellary	4,634
IV.—Barracks for one Field Battery in Horse Artillery Lines at the Mount	711
V.—Substituting timber for asphalt flooring in the married men's quarters at Wellington	1,761

The first is the only item requiring notice. A supplementary estimate was reported some time ago as under preparation, and is perhaps now before the Government. The total grant for the year amounted to Rupees 20,500, and the outlay was Rupees 21,021 or Rupees 521 in excess of grant.

MADRAS,
25th August 1874.

(Signed) T. MOSS,
Offg. Controller of P.W. Accounts.

FORWARDED to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, for the information of Government.

(Signed) T. MOSS,
Offg. Controller of P.W. Accounts.

No. 304.

ORDER THEREON, 13th October 1874, No. 2,916.

ACCOUNT, No. 21.

With the above endorsement the Controller submits his report on the Appropriation and Outlay Accounts for the year 1873-74 under "Imperial Ordinary, Buildings and Roads."

2. The sum originally assigned to the Presidency was Rupees 7,60,000, but the Government of India subsequently withdrew Rupees 50,000 from the grant for Civil Buildings, and increased the Military Works grant by Rupees 17,000. The final grant, exclusive of provision for expenditure in England, amounted to Rupees 7,18,000, against which the outlay was Rupees 6,71,325, or Rupees 46,675 less than the amount sanctioned.

3. The outlay, as compared with final grant under each head, is shown below:—

Heads of Service.								Final grant.	Outlay.
<i>Military.</i>								RS.	RS.
Original Works	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,66,700	2,69,461
Repairs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,50,300	2,59,703
<i>Civil Buildings.</i>								5,17,000	5,29,164
<i>(Postal, Telegraph, etc., Buildings.)</i>									
Original Works	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15,049	21,016
Repairs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4,751	3,996
								19,800	25,012

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Heads of Service.								Final grant.	Outlay.
								RS.	RS.
Establishments	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,54,000	1,24,996
Tools and Plant	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	42,200	15,811
Profit and Loss	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	873
Increase of Stock	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	65,083
Increase in London Invoices	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9,175
Less reduction of grant to meet Expenditure in England								7,33,000	7,70,144
Less expenditure in England								15,000	98,819
Net grant for and outlay in India								7,18,000	6,71,325

4. In regard to Original Works Military, circumstances necessitated departure from the Budget programme, and four of the works originally entered for execution were postponed in favor of others considered to be more urgently required. Good progress was, as a rule, made with those works which were undertaken. Upon the representation of this Government the original assignment was increased by the Government of India, and the expenditure at the end of the year amounted to Rupees 2,69,461 against a total grant of Rupees 2,66,700.

5. The Military Repair grant was also well utilized, the expenditure having been in excess of the outlay of any one of the previous five years. The explanation advanced by the Controller does not seem to account satisfactorily for the enhanced outlay. The Public Works Department do not usually build temporary or semi-permanent structures. The real cause is probably due to the fact that under the District Engineer system more particular attention was paid to the repair of Military Buildings than was practicable under Superintending Engineers.

6. Under Civil Buildings, Original Works, the expenditure was also in excess of the reduced grant, the Government of India having late in the year withdrawn a large portion of the assignment made to this Presidency for utilization elsewhere. It is not understood how it is that no expenditure has been recorded against the Telegraph Office at Madras, as the buildings were in progress last year.

7. The outlay under Repairs Civil Buildings calls for no remark.

8. The cost of establishment works out to a percentage of 22.6 on the outlay on works, which may be considered a very moderate charge. The system under which Establishment charges are distributed is under reconsideration in the Financial Department. The charges on account of Tools and Plant were particularly small, the outlay having fallen considerably short of the grant, but it is only now that the Government are made aware of the extent to which this occurred. Had timely intimation been given, arrangements could have been made for the profitable utilization of the funds on other objects. The Controller's reference, dated 13th July 1874, as to the distribution of charges for Tools and Plant in connection with the Public Works Store Department has been separately disposed of.

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9. The debit to "Profit and Loss" needs no special notice.
10. The actual receipts, as compared with the Budget and Regular Estimates, are shown below:—

	Rs.
Budget Estimate ...	63,000
Regular Estimate ...	82,600
Actuals ...	99,529

The large difference is explained to be owing to unanticipated profits arising from the operations of the Dowlaishweram Factory.

11. It is observed with reference to the Bellary Water Supply Project, the expenditure on which is classed as objectionable by the Controller, that the attention of the District Engineer was called to the subject in paragraph 3 of G. O., No. 1,943, dated 25th July 1874, and he will be again instructed to hasten the submission of the revised estimates with other necessary documents. The grant applied for on account of the work during the current year has been withheld pending final orders on the subject. The other items do not call for special remark in this place.

(True Extract.)

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

No. 305. (DOCKET No. 2,917, dated 13th October 1874.)
Copy of the above forwarded to the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

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Report on the Appropriation and
Outlay Account of the Public Works
Department, Madras Presidency for the
year 1873-74.

Madras 25 August 1874.

Imperial Ordinary Public Works.
Buildings and Roads Branch.

The original grant was Rs. 766,000
but by a withdrawal of Rs. 50,000 from the
civil portion and an addition of Rs. 14,000 to
the military portion of the grant the final
grant at the end of the year stood at Rs. 730,000
including Rs. 15,000 intended for expenditure
in England. Against this final grant the
expenditure incurred was Rs. 695,886 but
deducting for expenditure in England and
taking into account the fluctuation in stock
balance of the net debt on account of expenditure
in India was Rs. 67,225, so that as compared
with the net grant (Rs. 705,000) for expenditure
in India the outlay in India was Rs. 66,675
short of the amount sanctioned.

2. Military. Original Works. Under this
head the original grant was Rs. 257,000; the
final

final grant Rs. 266,700 and the Outlay Rs. 269,461. Fifty-two works were brought forward in the budget and of these the following were not undertaken.

- Item 4. Improvements to Barracks, Hospitals and other buildings at Coimbatore.
- 10. New Range with Bells for the Native Infantry at Mangalore.
- 15. Stables for the Commissariat Mules at the Presidency.

The grant for the first item was transferred by the Local Government to meet the cost of a temporary Hospital at Coimbatore. The second work was not undertaken owing to delay in getting a site and the third work was deferred pending decision of the question whether the shelter proposed for mules was actually necessary. Of the other twelve works the progress may be said to have been fair. On four of them the expenditure exceeded the budget grant but only in one case (item 1) does the estimate exceed owing to omission and insufficient provision. On the other eight works the outlay was short of the grant in each case.

* Items 1, 6, 7 and 9
* New Range with
Bells for the Native
Infantry at
Mangalore Bellary?

1868/69.	Rs. 155,262
1869/70.	.. 153,110
1870/71.	.. 2,23,015
1871/72.	.. 2,23,485
1872/73.	.. 2,43,069.

3. Military Repairs. The expenditure (Rs. 2,59,703) has exceeded the budget grant (Rs. 2,58,000) by Rs. 9,703 and is higher than the Outlay in any one of the previous five years. But the expenditure can hardly be objected to on the ground that it is higher than in previous years for in respect to buildings of a temporary or semi permanent character the outlay on repairs increases steadily and it must be remembered that this head (Repairs) includes all payments for house rent and compensation for superior quarters to military and medical subordinates.

4. Civil Buildings - Original Works. Under this head the original grant was Rs. 66,900 the final grant Rs. 1,50,419 and the expenditure Rs. 2,10,416. The final grant does not however include Rs. 8,710 mentioned by the Government of India in letter of 15th of 13 January 1874 (G.O. No. 154 of the 23rd idem) as the amount within which necessary expenditure may be returned as authorized expenditure over the grant. Of the outlay of Rs. 2,10,416 above mentioned Rs. 1,29,710 was on Telegraph Buildings and Rs. 80,706 on Post Office buildings. In addition Rs.

Major

Major Works, Minor Works under these heads *Telegraph
have also been detailed in Part III (in case) Postal
it should be necessary to have such in-
formation in the Local P. & T. Department
and in the Office of the Assistant General
P. & T. Department.

Telegraph Buildings. The Telegraph
Office at Bellary was completed at a cost
of Rs. 7,974 against an estimate of Rs. 7,578.
Its outlay during the year (spent for the)
Telegraph Office at Bellary as much as it
is in abeyance owing to difference of opinion
as regards accommodation. Outlay was in-
curred in collecting materials but as the
materials were transferred to other works
no charge appears against the item. Indeed
there is a reduction of expenditure owing to
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to cost Rs. 12,020 was completed by an ex-
penditure of Rs. 13,201. The slight excess
over estimate is due to increase in rates for
brick work and to some additional work
not provided for. The work does not
appear in the Budget for 1873-74 as its
completion.

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completion was expected in 1872-73. The
Post Office Buildings. The Budget
contained no specific allotments for individual
works but it may be mentioned that a new
Post Office at Kanoor in the Coimbatore
District was completed during the year
at a total cost of Rs. 5,070, the expenditure
of the year being Rs. 4,750 and the estimate
Rs. 5,070. A similar building estimated
to cost Rs. 5,330 was also completed at
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at Pattor in the Tanjore District. Both
were commenced in the previous year and
cost the former Rs. 3,779 and the latter Rs. 1,570.
The other works do not call for special notice.

Levelling Buildings. Repairs. The
outlay under this head has been Rs. 3,996
(Rs. 523 on Telegraph Buildings and
Rs. 3,473 on Postal Buildings) against the
final grant of Rs. 4,751. There is nothing
calling for remark under this head.

Establishment. The charges under
this head amount to Rs. 1,24,996 or at the
rate

* Military - 119,082
Civil Buildings - 5,914
Total Rs. 1,24,996

rate of 22.6 per cent on the outlay in works and Repairs aggregating Rs. 55,206. The establishment charges were distributed in accordance with the ordinary rates in the Budget. As remarked by the Govt of India, P. W. Department, in Resolution No. 206 of the 17th July 1874 (G.O. of the 27th July 1874) the arrangements gave increased trouble in accounts and it may be added, here that since the closing of the books of 1873-74 mistakes in respect of debits have been discovered which will have to be rectified by imputed entries in the Budget of 1874-75. The part of the entire establishment will be furnished in the report on Local funds of the P. W. Dept. and Plant. The outlay has been Rs. 15,811 under this head against the Budget provision of Rs. 42,200. The effect from 1873-74 the charges under this head are made directly to the heads of services and actually have been distributed proportionately over all heads as used to be done in previous years. This change was sanctioned by Government in G.O. of the 22nd August 1873. It is a matter of regret that the altered rules referred to cannot be applied to

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A. 164 of 25 July 73

Military 1899
Civil Budget 714
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to Tools and Plant charged in the Accounts of the P. W. Store Department and kept available for issue to the Department and gradually as wants arise. On this subject the Govt has been recently addressed, vide the Officer letter No. 3103 of the 13th July 1874.

8. Profit and Loss. The charge of Rs. 5,73 under this head represents the value of Imperial Stores lost in the Steamer Ghosha. The present adjustment was sanctioned by Govt in G.O. of the 17th June 1874.

9. Public Works Revenue. In the Budget, the Revenue was estimated at Rs. 6,200 but in the Regular Estimate it was estimated at Rs. 82,600. The actual receipts have been Rs. 99,529 and compared with the Regular Estimate the items stand thus:

	Regular Estimate	Actuals
Sale of Dis. gear	5300	5230
Rents of Buildings	17500	16302
Sales of Produce	610	462
Sales of Building old Materials	59200	77535
and Tools and Plant		
Total	82600	99529

The great excess or difference occurs in the last item, which includes the profit (Rs. 18,435) arising from the working of the Sowlaivaram Gractory

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Factory not anticipated in drawing up the
estimate. The following items were
closed as objectionable at the close of the
year.

I. Expenditure in excess of estimate beyond
prescribed limitation.

Improving the supply of water to the
barracks of Bellary. Rs. 36,183.

II. Converting the Old Company's Barracks
rooms into quarters for Staff Sergeants at
Bellary. Rs. 36,183.

Expenditure in excess of grant beyond
prescribed limitation.

III. Roofing the 15 and 16 blocks of Barracks
for the purpose of sanitary at Bellary. Rs. 1,654.

IV. Barracks for field battery at Bellary in
Bellary. Rs. 7,111.

V. Substituting timber for asphalt flooring
in the barracks at Bellary. Rs. 1,761.

The first is the only item requiring notice.
A supplementary estimate was reported some
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(Signed) J. M. M.
Offg. Controller of
P. W. Accounts.

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Madras Presidency
for the year 1873/74
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Public Works Dept.
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With the above en-
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accounts for the year 1873/74,
under "Imperial Ordinary,
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and increased the military
grant by Rs 17,000.
The final grant, exclusive
of provision for expenditure,

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in England, amounted to Rs 7,18,000, against which the outlay was Rs 6,71,325 or Rs 46,675 less than the amount sanctioned.

The outlay as compared with final grant under each head is shown below.

In regard to Original works Military, circumstances necessitated deferment from the Budget programme; and some of the works originally entered for execution were postponed in favor of others considered to be more

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Heads of Service	Final Grant	Outlay
<u>Military</u>		
Original works	266,700	2,69,461
Repairs	2,50,300	2,59,703
	<u>5,17,000</u>	<u>5,29,164</u>
<u>Civil Buildings</u>		
(Postal, Telegraph & other Buildings)		
Original works	150,49	21,026
Repairs	4,757	3,996
	<u>19,800</u>	<u>25,042</u>
Establishments	157,000	12,49,96
Tools and Plant	42,280	15,811
Profit and Loss	"	873
Increase of Stock	"	6,50,83
Increase in London Invoices	"	9,175
	<u>7,33,000</u>	<u>7,70,144</u>
Less reduction of grant to meet Expenditure in England	15,000	"
Less expenditure in England	"	98,819
	<u>7,18,000</u>	<u>6,71,325</u>

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under Superintendence.

Under Civil Buildings,
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excess of the reduced
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to this Presidency, for
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Had timely intimation been given arrangements could have been made for the profitable utilization of the funds on other objects. The Comptroller's reference dated 13th July 1874 as to the distribution of charges for Tools and Plant in connection with the Public Works Stores Department has been separately disposed of.

The debit to Profit and Loss needs no special notice. The actual receipts as compared

with the Budget and Regular estimates are shown below:

Budget-Este.	Regular-Este.	Actuals
Rs 62,000 -	82,600 -	99,529

The large difference is explained by the arising to unanticipated profits arising from the operations of the Saw-Laishweram Factory.

It is observed with reference to the Bellary Water Supply Project, the expenditure on which is classed as objectionable by the Comptroller, that the attention of the District Engineer was called to the subject in para 8 of G. O. No. 1943 dated 25th July 1874 and he will

will be again instructed
to hasten the submission
of the revised estimates
with other necessary do-
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applied for on account
of the work during the
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orders on the subject.
The other items do not
call for special remark
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