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No. 57. 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, 2nd October 1874, No. 646 A.—G:—

WITH reference to the Madras Administration Report for 1872-73, I am directed to point out that the amount shown therein as outlay on public works differs by Rupees 47,300 from the amount entered in the booked accounts of the department. The difference lies in the net fluctuation in the suspense balances, by which sum the gross outlay should be reduced to arrive at the outlay against the Budget grant. It is essential that the amounts shown in the Administration Reports should agree with the regular published accounts, and I am to suggest that discrepancies of the kind noticed can be readily avoided by entering as the actual public works outlay of the year the amount exhibited in the appropriation account rendered by the Controller.

2. It is also noticed that the general grant-in-aid of Rupees 11,26,000 from Provincial to Local Funds for public works outlay has been shown in the Administration Report as Local Fund expenditure. I am to remind the Government of Madras that the orders of the Government of India require that such grants-in-aid should be shown as outlay of the fund from which the grants are made, and I am to draw attention to the matter as one to be borne in mind in the preparation of future reports.

3. It is observed that in the tables given in the Administration Report for 1872-73, under the head "Revenue and Finance," the amounts set down as the outlay on public works do not agree with the amounts shown in previous portions of the Report, thus:—

	As in general tables. RS.	As in Public Works Section. RS.
Imperial	35,57,670	37,43,665
Provincial	10,41,762	11,85,121
Local	36,62,080	43,10,959

It is presumed that the Government of Madras have taken the necessary steps to have the discrepancies cleared up.

No. 58. ORDER THEREON, 3rd December 1874, No. 3,398.

ACCOUNT, No. 4.

IN order to obviate for the future discrepancies of the kind noticed by the Government of India in paragraph 1, the figures of the Administration Reports will hereafter, before final adoption, be checked by the Controller with the booked accounts of the department.

2. With reference to paragraph 2 it is observed that contributions to Local Fund Circles are now made by the Financial Department in the lump, and no separate accounts of outlay from these contributions under the main heads of

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3rd December 1874.

service are rendered by Local Fund Boards; but in order to carry out the instructions* of the Government of India that contributions from Provincial Funds should appear both in the Budget Estimates and Appropriations Accounts as Provincial expenditure, it seems necessary that arrangements should be made for apportioning the grants under the prescribed heads of service, viz., "New Works," "Repairs," "Establishment," and "Tools and Plant," and requiring the submission of outlay accounts under these heads. The subject will be remitted for consideration in the Financial Department.

3. Paragraph 3 will be referred to the Financial Department. It is not known in this department how the figures entered in the general tables by the Financial Department were obtained.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Controller of Public Works Accounts,
.. Financial Department.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

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should be addressed
to the Secretary.

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

ACCOUNT.

General.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras
Public Works Department

Fort William 2nd October 1874

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From

The Govt of India

Dated 2 October 1874
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P. W. Dept for 1872-73
giving instructions
respecting the pre-
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Sr.
Your most obedient servant,

W. Dickson, Coll. R. S.

Secretary to the Government of India

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The Engineer.
P. M. A.

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Administration Report

Passing order on a letter
from the Govt. of India
pointing out certain dis-
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PW Deptt. for 1872-73 & is
issuing instructions respecting
the preparation of future
Administration reports -

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