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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
10th January 1874.*

Read the following letters:—

No. 112. 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 Chepauk, 3rd November 1873, No. 1,381.

I HAVE the honour to inform you that the District Engineer of Chingleput has suggested to be allowed to fasten the wooden floor at Guindy (ordered to be laid down in Proceedings of Government of the 26th September, No. 2,379A,) temporarily till next year.

2. Tredgold in his work on Carpentry recommends that the boards should be "tacked down only the first year, nailing them for good and all the next, and by this means they will lie staunch close and without shrinking in the least as if they were all of one piece."

3. As properly-seasoned timber is not to be had in Madras, the boards are likely to shrink, and the final nailing down had better be deferred for a year. I therefore recommend that the floor at Guindy be laid, as suggested, by the District Engineer.

No. 113. From the same Officer, dated Chepauk, 24th November 1873, No. 1,560.

I HAVE the honour to forward, for sanction, an estimate of Rupees 600, accompanied by plan and specification, for substituting a boarded floor for the present chunam floor in the centre hall of the Government House at

- 1 Plan.
- 1 Estimate.
- 1 Specification.

Guindy, as directed in Proceedings of Government of the 26th September 1873, No. 2,379A.

No. 114. ORDER THEREON, 10th January 1874, No. 55.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 5.

HAD this plan and estimate been submitted for orders during the lengthened delay caused by want of timber, timely objection might have been made to certain details which it is now too late to remedy till next year, when the new floor will be taken up and relaid. A beam will then be laid along the centre, and two others along the sides of the room; and the joists supported entirely on them, their ends not being let into the walls, and their entire lengths being free from contact with chunam, rubbish, etc.

2. The Inspecting Engineer for Buildings and District Engineer of Chingleput were specially directed to arrange for the execution of the work, not one of any difficulty, but first class of its kind. They do not appear to have taken pains to ensure such work.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Inspecting Engineer for Buildings.
" District Engineer, Chingleput.
" Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts.
Exd. E. C. Shunker.
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By The Inspr. Engr. Building
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Govt House at Pundry.

Papery orders on letters
from the Inspecting Eng^r for
Buildings submitting
plans & estimate for
substituting a wooden
floor for the existing
Chunam floor in the
Govt House at Pundry.

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