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13th January 1874.*

No. 172. Read the following letter from Major J. BEATTY, R.E., District Engineer, Vizagapatam, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Camp at Pottinghy, Jeypore Ghaut, 20th December 1873, No. 165 A :—

I HAVE the honour to report that the allotment of 20,000 Rupees provided for the new Jeypore Ghaut cannot be fully spent in this official year.

2. As the working season began so recently, it has not been possible sooner to estimate the probable amount of expenditure. I also waited until I should have an opportunity of visiting the works with the Executive Engineer and conferring with him on the prospects of the season.

3. We have now decided that 5,000 Rupees should be surrendered at once, and this I have already telegraphed to you; also that it will probably be necessary to give up 5,000 Rupees more, a month hence, if the supply of labour does not rapidly improve.

4. At present the numbers on the works, both of low-country coolies and hill-people, are slowly increasing. There are now for the first time upwards of three hundred. No great increase can be expected until the Pongal feast is over, about the middle of January, as up to that time most of the labour will be detained in the villages by the harvest; but immediately afterwards, with better arrangements now being made, the numbers *may* largely increase.

5. Five sections of the bridle-path are now in progress, one commencing at the foot near Ittikavalsa, two near Rodavalsa, one near Sunkeypentah, and one from the summit of the ghaut near Hadmar peak leading down to the old Jeypore road near Pottinghy. About three miles of it have now been cut, and half of this has been widened to the full width of two yards out of the hill side. During the last three days I have visited all the sections with Mr. Nordmann.

6. There is a little sickness, and the cases of fever are said to be of a particularly bad type, partaking of the nature of dengue, accompanied by swelling of the limbs, and having a very disabling effect on the individual attacked. With this exception, however, the only serious difficulty is the small supply of labour, and we want five times our present strength for satisfactory working; but as it is Mr. Nordmann hopes to complete the greater part of the bridle-path by 31st March.

No. 173. ORDER THEREON, 13th January 1874, No. 87.

ACCOUNT, No. 16.

ORDERED that the sum of Rupees 10,000 be transferred to meet the expenditure incurred in closing the Cruz Milagre Gap.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Vizagapatam.
" " Malabar.

" " Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

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N^o 165
A Camp Puthy, Seypore Ghaut
20th December, 1873

From

Major J. Beatty. R.E.
District Engineer of Vizagapatam

to

Colonel G. W. Walker. R.E.
Chief Engineer and Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
Madras

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Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
Lt. Beatty - Major R.E.
District Engineer of Visagapatam

From 1893 Report
No. 7011.
The District Engineer
of Visagapatam

The Secretary to Govt.
D.P. W.

Madras

No. 165

Dated 20th Decr. /73

Received 30—

Reporting the cir-
cumstances under
which 5000 Rupees
have been surren-
dered from the year's
allotment of the
Seymore Grant works.

S. S. S. S.

At my office
" Madras
Suburban
No. 165
Decr. 20
1893
Balance that the sum of
£10000 is transferred to
meet the expenditure in
connection with the
Seymore Grant.
Done
Decr. 20 1893

9/11/70
Govt. of 1874 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To The District Engineer
Tirupattur

Dated

Recd.

Encl.

7. 0. 13th Aug 1874

Nos. 172 & 173

Transf. the sum of Rs.

10,000 surrendered from
the grant for the Mysore
Public Works transferred
for expenditure in
closing the Cruz
Milage gap.