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2nd July 1875.*

No. 54. Read the following letter from Major J. BEATTY, R.E., District Engineer, Godavery, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. MULLINS, R.E., Officiating Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Dowlaishwaram, 5th June 1875, No. 779 :—

I HAVE the honor to forward herewith, for the information of Government, the report of Mr. Vanstavern, Executive Engineer, on the coal borings of this season. It is accompanied by a plan of the locality where the borings were made showing the

1 Report.
1 Plan.
1 Covering letter.

position of the different holes, and a covering letter containing some additional information.

2. The operations of this season were carried on between 14th February and 28th May, and the most important results of the borings were as follow :—

In hole No. 5, at 181 feet, $6\frac{1}{2}$ feet of clay and shale were met with.

In hole No. 6, $6\frac{1}{2}$ feet of shale and coal were found at 177 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet.

In hole No. 8, 6 feet of mineral charcoal and clay were passed through at a depth of 151 feet.

And in hole No. 9, 2 feet of coal only of poor quality was discovered at a depth of 88 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet.

In hole No. 7, nothing of importance was met with.

The holes bored this season, Nos. 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9, were carried down to 209 feet 8 inches, 193 $\frac{1}{2}$, 286, 263 and 215 feet, respectively.

3. The total expenditure of the season on these boring operations in this district from February to June will probably amount to Rupees 6,785.

4. With reference to Mr. Vanstavern's suggestions regarding another season's work I have requested him to examine the stores there, such as corrugated iron for roofing, and let me have an estimate of the cost of erecting a permanent camp for the coal-boring party substantial enough to afford them good shelter through a rainy season, should Government decide, on the recommendations of the Geological Department, to have further borings made.

5. Mr. King of the Geological Department has been furnished with specimens of the coal, &c., found in the borings, and a copy of Mr. Vanstavern's report will now be sent him.

6. Mr. Vanstavern arrived here from Beddadanoole on the 1st instant, and starts again tomorrow for Dumagudiem to relieve Mr. Weedon.

7. In my letter, No. 474, of 8th May, I suggested that Mr. C. Moore, the Assistant Superintendent of the borings, who was called* down from the Central Provinces with the sanction of Government to assist Mr.

* *Vide G. O.*, No. 2,346, of 20th August 1874. Vanstavern, should now accompany him to Dumagudiem where an Overseer or Supervisor is wanted. I request the favor of your instructions on this point, and how his pay should be charged until he is again required for the borings.

8. The third-class Hospital Assistant, B. Venkataswamy, No. 1,054, who was with the party at Beddadanoole has returned here in bad health, and asks for a month's privilege leave; after which I would propose placing him under the Civil Surgeon for general duty at Rajahmundry until his services are again required for the borings.

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From T. VANSTAVERN, Esq., Executive Engineer of the Public Works Department, to Major J. BEATTY, R.E., District Engineer, Godavery, dated Dowlaishweram, 2nd June 1875, No. 20.

I HAVE the honor to forward you the report on coal-boring operations for this season.

In it I have merely alluded to the work done, but have refrained from any mention where further borings are to be put down, as my suggestions last season where further borings would be required and approved of by the Government seem to have given some umbrage to the Geological Department, although they have proved correct and are fully borne out by the sites selected by Mr. King, Deputy Superintendent, Geological Survey.

2. There is another matter connected with the work which I want to bring to your notice with a view of having more satisfactory results and at a less cost.

3. The work now is only prosecuted during the fair-weather months, of which the months of April and May are very hot at the place, and not much work can be got out of the people. I should, therefore, propose to work through the rains. I have done so at the borings in the Upper Godavery without any inconvenience.

4. The cost of the transport of tools from and to Dowlaishweram is heavy, and adds an additional cost to the work without its deriving any benefit from it, and now the tools cannot be left having no safe place to keep them in.

5. To obviate this I would propose a permanent camp.

6. By a permanent camp I mean cheaply-constructed buildings, with country (jungle) wood, corrugated iron roofing, and bamboo lattices for walls.

7. Corrugated iron would at first sight appear an expensive item; but is not so, as there is plenty of it in the Upper Godavery Store (now transferred to Madras), some standing in the books at a small valuation, and a very large quantity taken off the buildings in pretty good order standing in the books at no value, having already been paid for and charged to the works; nails are rather short; all doors and windows required can be got at Damagudiem similarly standing at no value.

8. Wood there is abundant close at hand and cheap. The cost of the buildings for shelter during the rains would probably not much exceed the transport of the tools for one or two seasons.

9. Should you approve of my proposition, I can make out a sketch plan and get down the material required.

10. In the beginning of March Mr. King visited the camp for a few hours; since that I have not seen him nor yet heard what his intentions are for next season's work.

11. Mr. King has been furnished with samples of the coal passed through.

12. With the report I send a map showing the boring sites and also some of the coal from No. 9 boring.

Report on the Coal-boring operations at Beddadanoole during the Season of 1875.

IN accordance with instructions received from Major Beatty, R.E., District Engineer, Godavery, I left Dowlaishweram on the 8th February last and arrived at Beddadanoole with work-people and tools on the 12th and reported my arrival.

2. The first thing to be done was to sink a pit for water there being none at or near the place, vide my letter, No. 130, dated 12th February 1875 to the District Engineer.

3. The new tools telegraphed for in October 1874 by the Madras Government did not arrive at Beddadanoole till the 17th of April last; this has caused some delay in the work.

4. On the 14th February the old tools were carried to the boring sites selected by Mr. King, Deputy Superintendent, Geological Survey, the triangles set up and work commenced.

5. One hole No. 5 W S W, 2,600 feet distance from the camp, commenced on the 14th February, was carried down to 219 feet depth; this hole began to cave in, and having no piping of sufficient length the boring was stopped and hole secured to await the arrival of the new tools,

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vide my letter, No. 1, dated 4th April; at the depth of 281 feet 2 inches, 6 feet 7 inches of shale was met with.

6. One hole No. 6 W by S 3,960 feet from the camp was commenced on the 14th February and carried down to 193 feet 6 inches; at the depth of 177 feet 4 inches, 6 feet 8 inches coal and shale was met with; this hole began to cave in, and for the want of piping I had to stop it; it was secured to await the arrival of the new tools, vide my letter, No. 142, dated 22nd March to the District Engineer.

7. On the stoppage of No. 6, No. 7 W $\frac{1}{2}$ E, distance 4,370 feet from the camp, was commenced and carried down to 212 feet 6 inches, when it began to cave in; the new tools having arrived, piping was put down, and boring sunk to 236 feet depth; no coal was met with in this hole.

8. On the stoppage of No. 7 (the new tools not having arrived there) another boring No. 8, S E, 6,160 feet distance from the camp, was put down and sunk to 263 feet 3 inches, at which depth hard stone was met with; this hole being about 1,800 feet west of the out crop of gneiss the sand stone has probably been gone through. In this hole, at 150 feet 10 inches depth, 11 feet 1 inch of dark clay with mineral charcoal was gone through, and this hole being on the eastern edge of the coal basin is likely to be the outrun of a seam of coal.

9. On the arrival of the new tools I commenced a third boring No. 9 S W by S 2,080 feet distance from the camp, in this hole at 83 feet 6 inches depth 2 feet of coal (poor) was met with; the boring was continued to 215 feet depth.

10. The tools were moved into camp on the 28th May ready for transport to Dowlaish-

woram.
DOWLAISHWERAM,
2nd June 1875.

(Signed) T. VANSTAVERN,
Executive Engineer, P.W.D.

No. 5 Hole.

	FT.	IN.
Distance from camp	2,600	0
Bearing W S W.		
Level	116	1
Stuck water at	30	0
	FT.	IN.
Surface soil	3	6
Sand stone, yellow	155	6
Clay, dark	12	6
Sand stone, brown	0	8
Clay, dark, 181 feet 2 inches	8	5
Clay and shale	6	7
Sand stone, brown	1	2
Iron pyrites	0	3
Conglomerate, fine	0	6
Clay, dark	19	1
Sand stone, brown	1	6
Total	209	3

No. 6 Hole.

	FT.	IN.
Distance from camp	3,960	0
Bearing W by S.		
Level	113	6
Stuck water	30	6

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No. 6 Hole.—(Concluded.)						FT.	IN.
Surface soil	...	...	...	...	...	0	6
Sand stone, brown	...	...	...	...	...	151	6
Clay, light color, 177 feet 4 inches	...	...	...	...	...	25	6
Shale and coal	...	...	...	...	...	6	8
Clay, light	...	...	...	...	...	5	0
Do., dark	...	...	...	...	...	1	0
Sand stone, brown	...	...	...	...	...	3	6
Total	...	...	...	...	...	193	6

No. 7 Hole.						FT.	IN.
Distance from camp	...	...	...	...	...	4,870	0
Bearing W $\frac{1}{2}$ S.	...	...	...	...	...		
Level	...	...	...	...	...	118	6
Stuck water	...	...	...	...	...	32	0

	FT.	IN.
Sand stone, brown	49	8
Clay, buff	5	0
Do., iron	0	8
Sand stone, brown	1	0
Clay, buff	5	0
Do., white	5	0
Do., brown	1	0
Do., variegated	2	0
Sand stone, brown	7	0
Conglomerate	1	0
Sand stone, brown	30	8
Clay, buff	3	3
Sand stone, brown	69	9
Conglomerate, fine	0	10
Sand stone, brown	30	8
Clay, variegated	4	8
Quartz	3	0
Sand stone, yellow	1	10
Clay, variegated	2	0
Sand stone, yellow	10	0
Do., white	3	0
Do., yellow	11	11
Do., " (hard)	12	0
Do., white	10	6
Do., " ...	12	7
Total	286	0

No. 8 Hole.						FT.	IN.
Distance from camp	...	...	...	...	...	6,160	0
Bearing S E.	...	...	...	...	...		
Level	...	...	...	...	...	110	1
Stuck water	...	...	...	...	...	24	0

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No. 8 Hole.—(Concluded.)						FT.	IN.
Surface soil	...	...	...	...	...	4	0
Kunkur	...	...	...	...	...	2	0
Sand stone, (brown)	...	...	...	...	...	19	0
Clay, buff	...	...	...	...	...	4	0
Sand stone (brown)	...	...	...	...	...	44	6
Loose sand	...	...	...	...	...	0	6
Sand stone (brown)	...	...	...	...	...	76	9
						150	9
Clay and mineral charcoal	...	...	...	...	...	6	1
Clay, dark	...	...	...	...	...	5	0
Sand stone, brown	...	...	...	...	...	58	11
Do., yellow	...	...	...	...	...	16	0
Clay, dark	...	...	...	...	...	0	6
Clay with mineral charcoal	...	...	...	...	...	6	0
Sand stone, yellow (hard)	...	...	...	...	...	4	0
Conglomerate (fine)	...	...	...	...	...	1	0
Sand stone, yellow (hard)	...	...	...	...	...	2	3
Clay, dark	...	...	...	...	...	4	0
Sand stone (brown)	...	...	...	...	...	8	4
Hard rock	...	...	...	...	...	0	2
Total	...	...	...	...	...	263	0

No. 9 Hole.						FT.	IN.
Distance from camp	...	...	...	...	...	2,080	0
Bearing S W by S.	...	...	...	...	...		
Level	...	...	...	...	...	115	2
Stuck water	...	...	...	...	...	31	0
Surface soil	...	...	...	...	...	1	6
Conglomerate (fine)	...	...	...	...	...	1	0
Sand stone, yellow	...	...	...	...	...	22	6
Clay, buff	...	...	...	...	...	4	0
Do., red...	...	...	...	...	...	1	6
Do., brown	...	...	...	...	...	1	6
Sand stone, yellow	...	...	...	...	...	13	6
Do., red	...	...	...	...	...	2	0
Clay, buff	...	...	...	...	...	10	0
Do., variegated	...	...	...	...	...	23	0
Do., dark, 88 feet 6 inches	...	...	...	...	...	8	0
Coal (poor)	...	...	...	...	...	2	0
Clay, dark	...	...	...	...	...	13	6
Sand stone, red	...	...	...	...	...	1	6
Do., argillaceous	...	...	...	...	...	2	0
Do., yellow	...	...	...	...	...	16	6
Clay, dark	...	...	...	...	...	4	0
Sand stone, yellow	...	...	...	...	...	2	0
Do., brown	...	...	...	...	...	41	6
Do., yellow	...	...	...	...	...	44	0
Total	...	...	...	...	...	215	0

(Signed) T. VANSTAVERN,
Executive Engineer, P.W.D.

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No. 55. ORDER THEREON, 2nd July 1875, No. 1,858.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 1.

With the above letter the District Engineer, Godavery, submits a report on the coal-boring operations at Boddadanole during the past season.

2. It is observed that five borings numbered 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 were carried down to depths of 209 feet 8 inches, 193 feet 6 inches, 286 feet, 263 feet and 215 feet, respectively, with the following results :—

In No. 5, $6\frac{1}{2}$ feet of clay and shale were found at 181 feet.

„ No. 6, $6\frac{1}{2}$ feet of clay and shale were found at 177 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet.

„ No. 8, 6 feet of mineral charcoal and clay at 151 feet.

„ No. 9, 2 feet of coal of poor quality at 88 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet.

3. The cost of the season's operations amounted to Rupees 6,785.

4. The non-receipt of the new boring tools till the 17th April, six weeks before the operations were brought to a close, delayed the work.

5. The District Engineer reports that specimens of the coal and a copy of the report have been sent to Mr. King who will be requested to favor the Government with his views as to future operations.

6. The estimates referred to in paragraph 4 of the District Engineer's letter will be awaited.

7. Mr. Moore's employment in the Dumagudiem Range under Mr. Vanstavern until the borings may be resumed has already been approved in G. O., 25th May 1875, No. 1,427, and the Controller will report how his pay can in the meantime be provided for. The District Engineer can take this charge into account in submitting

his promised* proposals for reduction of establishment.

8. Major Beatty's suggestions for the disposal of the third-class Hospital Assistant will be referred to the Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.

(True Extract.)

Major, R.E.,

Offg. Joint Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Godavery.

„ Controller of Public Works Accounts.

To W. King, Esq., Deputy Superintendent, Geological Survey.

To the Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.

Ed. E. C. Shankar.

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G. O., 2nd July 1875, No. 1,859.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
OOTACAMUND, 2nd July 1875.

No. 56.

No. 1,859.

FROM

MAJOR J. O. HASTED, R.E.,

Officiating Joint Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Public Works Department,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

Public Works Department.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 2.

SIR,—Adverting to the letter from the Under Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Revenue, Agriculture and Commerce, No. 24 (Minerals), dated 13th April 1875, I am now directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to lay before the Right Honorable the Governor-General in Council a report of the results of the current season's operations on coal borings at Beddadanole in the Godavery District.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Major, R.E.,

Offg. Joint Secretary to Government.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

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THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT

OF INDIA.

Dated July 2nd.

Dear Sir,

I am,

Yours,

O. C., 2nd July 1875, No. 58.

JULY.

No. 58

Forwarding a report of the results of
the recent season's operations on coal
borings at Boddanchi in the Godavari
District.

No. 20.

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2^d June 1875.

From,

J. Vanstavern Esquire

Executive Engineer P. W. D.

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Major J. Keatty R. E.

District Engineer Godavery.

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I have the honor to be
Sir

Your Most Obedient Servant.

W. A. S. S. S.
Executive Engineer P. W. D.

W. A. S. S. S.
3/10/75

Report on the Coal boring operations at Beddadanole during the season of 1875.

In accordance with instructions received from Major Beatty R.E. District Engineer Godavery District I left Dowlaisheram on the 8th February last, and arrived at Beddadanole with work people and tools on the 12th and reported my arrival.

2 The first thing to be done was to sink a pit for water there being none at or near the place, vide my letter No. 130 dated 12th February 1875 to the District Engineer.

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4 On the 14th February the old tools were carried to the boring sites selected by Mr. King Deputy Superintendent Geological Survey, the triangles set up and work commenced.

5 One hole No. 5 W. S. W., 2600' distance from the camp, commenced on the 14th February was carried down to 219' depth; this hole began to

to come in and having no piping of sufficient length the boring was stopped and hole secured to await the arrival of the new tools. vide my letter No 1 dated 4 April; at the depth of 281' 2", 6' 7" of shale was met with.

6. One hole No 6 W. by S. 5960' from the camp was commenced on the 14 February and carried down to 593' 6" at the depth of 574' 2" —

6' 8" coal and shale was met with — this hole began to come in, and for the want of piping I had to stop it; it was secured to await the arrival of the new tools, vide my letter

No 142 dated 22 March to the District Engineer.

7. On the stoppage of No 6. No 7 W. $\frac{1}{2}$ S, distance 4370' from the camp. was commenced and carried down to 212' 6"

when it began to come in — the new tools having arrived, piping was put down, and boring sunk to 286' depth; no coal was met with in this hole.

8. On the stoppage of No 5 (the new tools not having arrived there) another boring No 8. S. E. — 6160' distance from the camp. was put down and sunk to 263' 3" — at which depth

depth hard stone was met with — this hole being about 1800' west of the out crop of Gneiss the sand stone has probably been gone through. In this hole at 150' 10" depth 11' 1" of dark clay with mineral charcoal was gone through and then hole being on the eastern edge of the coal basin is likely to be the outcrop of a seam of coal.

9. On the arrival of the new tools I commenced a 3' boring No 9 S. W. by S. 2080' distance from the camp in this hole at 88' 6" depth.

2' feet of coal (poor) was met with — the boring was continued to 215 feet depth.

10. The tools were moved into camp on the 28 May ready for transport to Dowlaishweram.

Dowlaishweram }
2 June 1875 — }

W. H. Lawrence
Executive Engineer P. W. D.

No 5 Hole.

Distance from Camp — 2600'

Bearing — N. S. W.

Level — 115.1'

Stuck water at 30'.

Surface soil — 3' 6"

Sandstone yellow — 155.6"

Clay dark — 12.6"

Sandstone brown — 0.8"

Clay dark — 13.2" — 8.5"

Clay & shale — 6.7"

Sandstone brown — 1.2"

Iron Pyrites — 0.3"

Conglomerate fine — 0.6"

Clay dark — 19.4"

Sandstone brown — 1.6"

Total 209.8"

No 6 Hole.

Distance from camp — 3960'

Bearing — N. by S.

Level — 113' 5"

Stuck water — 30' 6"

Surface soil — 0' 6"

Sandstone brown — 151.6"

Clay light colour 177' 4" — 25.6"

Shale & coal — 6.8"

Clay light — 5.0"

Clay dark — 1.0"

Sandstone brown — 3.6"

Total 193.6"

No 7 Hole.

Distance from camp — 4870'

Bearing — W. 1/2 S.

Level — 118' 6"

Shak water — 32.0

Sandstone brown	49' 8"
Clay buff	5.0"
" Iron	0.8"
Sandstone brown	1.0
Clay buff	5.0
" White	5.0
" Brown	1.0
" Variegated	2.0
Sandstone brown	7.0
Conglomerate	1.0
Sandstone brown	30.8
Clay buff	3.3
Sandstone brown	69.9
Conglomerate fine	0.10
Sandstone brown	30.8
Clay variegated	6.8
Quartz	3.0
Sandstone yellow	1.10
Clay variegated	2.0
Sandstone yellow	10.0
" White	3.0
" Yellow	11.11
" " (hard)	12.0
" white	10.6
" "	22.7

Total 286.0

No 8 Hole.

Distance from camp — 6160'

Bearing — S. E.

Level — 110' 1"

Shak water — 24' 0"

Surface soil	4' 0"
Runkur	2.0
Sandstone / brown /	49.0
Clay buff	4.0
Sandstone / brown /	44.6
Loose sand	0.6
Sandstone / brown /	76.9
Clay + Mineral Charcoal	6.1
Clay dark	5.0
Sandstone brown	58.11
" Yellow	16.0
Clay dark	0.6
Clay with Mineral Charcoal	6.0
Sandstone yellow / hard /	4.0
Conglomerate / fine /	1.0
Sandstone yellow / hard /	2.3
Clay dark	4.0
Sandstone / brown /	8.4
Hard rock	0.2

Total 263.0

No. 9 Hole.

Distance from Camp — 2080'
 Bearing — S.W. by S.
 Level — 115.2"
 Stack water — 31-0

Surface soil	1' 6"
Conglomerate (fine)	1 0
Sandstone yellow	22- 6
Clay buff	4- 0
Clay red	1- 6
Clay brown	1- 6
Sandstone yellow	13- 6
— " — red	2- 0
Clay buff	10- 0
Clay variegated	88- 0
Clay dark — 88' 6"	8- 0
Coal (poor)	2- 0
Clay dark	13- 6
Sandstone red	1- 6
— " — argillaceous	2- 0
— " — yellow	16- 0
Clay dark	4- 0
Sandstone yellow	2- 0
— " — brown	41- 6
— " — yellow	44- 0

Total — 215-0

W. M. D. S.
 Executive Engineer P. W. D.

90 2 2 1/2 feet
 115 2 2 1/2 feet
 2 2 1/2 feet

DISTRICT ENGINEER'S OFFICE, GODAVERY.
 DOWLAISEWARUM, 5th June 1875.

No. 779

From

Major J. Beatty R.E.

District Engineer

Godavery District

To

Lieutenant Colonel J. Mullins R.E.

Secretary to Government D. P. W.

MADRAS

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith, for the information of Government, the report of all the Panstavern Executive Engineer on the coal borings of this season. It is accompanied by a plan of the locality where the borings were made, showing the position of the different holes, and enclosing also containing some additional information.

The operations of this season were carried on between 14 February & 28 May, and the most important results of the borings were as follows:—

In hole No 5 at 181 feet, 6½ feet of clay and shale were met with.

In hole No 6, 6½ feet of shale and coal were found at 177½ feet.

In hole No 8, 6 feet of mineral charcoal and clay were passed through at a depth of 105 feet.

and in hole No. 9, 2 feet of coal only of poor quality was discovered at a depth of 88½ feet.

In hole No. 7, nothing of importance was met with.

The holes bored this season Nos. 5, 6, 7, 8 & 9 were carried down to 209' 8", 193½, 286, 263, & 215 feet respectively.

3. The total expenditure of the season on these boring operations in this District from February to June will probably amount to Rs. 6,785 & a++.

4. With reference to Mr. Vanstavern's suggestions regarding another season's work I have requested him to examine the stores there, such as corrugated iron for roofing, and let me have an estimate of the cost of erecting a permanent camp for the coal boring party substantial enough to afford them good shelter through a rainy season, should Government decide, on the recommendations of the Geological Department, to have further borings made.

5. Mr. King of the Geological Department has been furnished with specimens of the coal ~~was~~ found in the borings, and a copy of Mr. Vanstavern's report will now be sent him.

6. Mr. Vanstavern arrived here from Beddalanole on the 1st ^{inst.} and starts again tomorrow for Damagudem.

Filed L.C.
No. 2346 of 20th
August 1874.

Damagudem to relieve Mr. Weedon.

7. In my letter No. 474 of 8th May I suggested that Mr. E. Moore, the Assistant Superintendent of the borings, who was called down from ^{the} Central Provinces with the sanction of Government to assist Mr. Vanstavern, should now accompany him to Damagudem where an Overseer or Supervisor is wanted. I request the favor of your instructions on this point, and how his pay should be charged until he is again required for the borings.

8. The 3rd Class Hospital Assistant R. Venkataswamy No. 1054 who was with the party at Beddalanole has returned here in bad health, and asks for a month's privilege leave, after which I would propose placing him under the Civil Surgeon for general duty at Rajahmundry until his services are again required for the borings.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant
L. Beatty. Major R.E.
District Engineer Godavery.

Public Works Dept.

Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 18/5
Read the following

From
The Dist. Engineer } (G.O. No. 779 of 24th June 1895)
Godavery }
G.O. No. 1858 of 2nd July/95

With the above
letter the District Engineer
Godavery submits a
report on the coal boring
operations at Beddada-
mole during the past
season.

2. It is observed
that 5 borings number-
ed 5, 6, 7, 8 & 9 were carried
down to depths of 209
feet 8 inches, 193 feet

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- 14-494 - 521-522
- 101-495 - 52-53
- 25-54 - 427-493
21-54/95 - 499-500

P. No. 1875. Delph.
No. 8960

To
The District Engineer
Colony District.
Office
The Secretary to Government
Department Public Works
MADRAS

Dated 4th June 1895.
From
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NO. 779
Encl. 1/2

Subject.

Visiting and Eng. Appointments
Engineer's Visit to the
for 1896/95 on the road
boring operations at
Beddadamole.

1254

On 21/6/95 at 11.30 AM
At 10.15 AM

Punches, 280 feet, 203 feet and 215 feet respectively with the following results.

In No. 5 $6\frac{1}{2}$ feet of clay and shale were found at 181 feet.

No. 6. $6\frac{1}{2}$ feet of clay and shale were found at $87\frac{1}{2}$ feet.

No. 8. 6 feet of mineral charcoal and clay at 151 feet.

No. 9. 2 feet of coal of poor quality at $88\frac{1}{2}$ feet.

3. The cost of the seasons operations amounted to Rs 6785.

4. The non receipt of the new boring tools till the 17th April, six weeks before the operations were

were brought to a close, delayed the work.

5. The District Engineer reports that specimens of the coal and a copy of the report have been sent to Mr. King who will be requested to favor the Govt with his views as to future operations.

6. The estimates referred to in para 4 of the District Engineers letter will be awaited.

7. Mr. Moore's employment in the Damagadiem Range under Mr. Vanstavern until the borings may be

be resumed has already
been approved in G.O.
25th May 1875 No. 1427
and the Controller will
report how his pay can
in the meantime be pro-
vided for. The District
Engineer can take this
charge into account
in submitting his pro-
posed proposals for
reduction of establish-
ment.

8. Major Beatty's
suggestions for the
disposal of the 3rd Class
Hospital Assistant
will be referred to the
Surgeon General Indian Medical
Dept.

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In the G.O.
In the G.O.
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To D.E. Godavari 8
" Contr P.W. & C 17
" King Eng. 2
" Sur Genl Ind Med Dep^t 2
S. C. Dr. P. D.
13-7-75

No. 1859 of 2nd July 75

To The Secretary to the
Govt. of India
P.W. D.

Sir,

Referring to the letter
from the Under Secretary
to the Government of India,
Department of Revenue, Agric.
Culture and Commerce,
No. 24. (Minerals) dated
13th April 1875. I am now
directed by the Honorable
the Governor in Council
to lay before the Right
Honorable the Governor General
in Council a report of
the results of the current
season's operations on
Coal workings at Bedda-
danole in the Godavari
District.

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1858 & 650 of
Letter with 3 copies
of 50 Nos 1641 & 1427
13-7-75

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Govt. of Madras
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To

The Dy. Insp.
Godavery

By

The Dy. Insp.

Per

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Forwarding a report of
the results of the current
season's operations on
coal boring at Red-
dandole in the Godavery
District.

Mr. Executive Engineer
Tanjavur's report
for 1874-75 on the coal
boring operations at
Reddandole. — Pursuing
orders on the letter of
the District Engineer,
Godavery, submitting