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No. 348. 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 Camp at Ellore, 17th June 1875, No. 896:—

With reference to those portions of G. O., No. 1,271, of 5th ultimo, directing that the dredges and punts and steamer 1 Range Officer's letter, No. 137, of 9th June 1875. *Frank and Ada* are to be transferred to the Marine Department, and that a report

with revised estimate is to be submitted for the southern groyne, i.e., the river wall below the bridge on the south side, I have the honor to solicit further instructions as the Range Officer finds himself in a difficulty, as explained in his letter, No. 137, of 9th instant, herewith sent.

2. Hitherto the work has gone on at all seasons, as stone was procurable and material for backing to the revetment was obtained from the dredging of the river, but if that dredging henceforth is to be carried on under a different department, spoil for backing must be obtained elsewhere, and as excavations in the swamps can only be made in the dry weather, the further progress of the southern groyne will be confined to that season.

3. The Executive Engineer is desirous of handing over the completion of the southern groyne to the Marine Department, and as the work is of a very simple character, and the Marine Department is apparently willing to undertake it, I recommend that it be transferred along with the dredges and punts. In that case the Marine Department may be requested to submit the completion estimate.

4. But if this course be objected to, I request permission to retain the use of one dredge and six punts until the south groyne is completed.

5. Meantime the Master Attendant has been requested to take over at once the steamer *Frank and Ada* and six of the most serviceable of the punts for use at the mouth of the river.

From Captain R. R. E. BROCKMAN, R.E., Executive Engineer in charge of No. 1 or Eastern Delta Range, Godavery District, to Major J. BEATTY, R.E., District Engineer, Godavery, dated Camp at Dowlaishweram, 9th June 1875, No. 137.

In compliance with your letter, No. 711, dated 31st ultimo, I have the honor to inform you that I have written (copy enclosed) this day to the Master Attendant at Cocanada requesting him to take charge of the steamer *Frank and Ada*, the dredge No. 1, which is now at work in the harbour, and six of the punts which may be in the best condition. I have done this as a temporary measure pending further instructions based upon the circumstances I have the honor to bring to your notice herein.

2. In G. O., No. 1,271, dated 5th ultimo, which rules that the whole of the harbour plant be handed over to the Marine Department, our department it would appear are left to prosecute the southern groyne work at Cocanada to completion. This I should find it impossible to do independently of the dredging operations, as hitherto the spoil taken from the bottom of the Cocanada river has been used for the backing of the revetment in progress. This we have been obliged to do, as no earth for backing is obtainable elsewhere during the months the river Godavery is in flood and the canals are discharging their surplus waters into the Cocanada river. It is owing to the fact also that the dredge spoil has been thus utilized that the groyne work has been carried out at rates lower than those provided for in the estimate. Under these circumstances it

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is a matter for consideration as to whether the groyne work should not as well be handed over to the Marine Department who are to have charge of the whole of the dredging plant. If this department is to carry on the groyne work, I consider it necessary that one of the dredges, with at least four punts, be placed at our disposal, and that the river dredging be simultaneously carried on by us, leaving the care of the harbour dredging to the Master Attendant.

3. The groyne work requires little skilled labor, and, as far as I am concerned, I should be glad to relinquish that work in favor of the Master Attendant.

4. The statement showing work done and to be done on the south groyne is under preparation and will be submitted shortly, when I shall take up the other points mooted in your letter under reference.

From Captain R. R. E. BROCKMAN, R.E., Executive Engineer in charge of No. 1 Range, Godavery District, to the Master Attendant, Cocanada, dated Dowlaishweram, 9th June 1875, No. 97.

UNDER instructions from the District Engineer, Godavery, I have the honor to request that you will assume charge of the harbour plant here undermentioned :—

Steamer *Frank and Ada*.

Steam Dredge No. 1.

Dredge Punts six.

I shall be unable to come down myself to Cocanada to hand them over formally to you, as the freshes are daily expected in the river and my presence is urgently required at head-quarters; so I trust you will have no objection, as a temporary measure, to take over charge of the above plant from the Dredge Superintendent, Mr. Edwards, until such time as I shall be able to come down to Cocanada for the purpose. I have ordered Mr. Edwards this day to make out the inventory of stores belonging to the steamer and dredges and wait upon you with them. Regarding the transfer of the dredge No. 2 and the remaining punts, I will not make them over pending disposal of a further reference I have made regarding them in connection with the prosecution of the south groyne work.

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ORDER THEREON, 12th July 1875, No. 1,983.

ACCOUNT, No. 14.

It appearing from these papers that if the south groyne work at Cocanada be left to be completed by the Public Works Department it will be necessary to retain for the present in that department one dredge and six punts, and it being evident that this work and the dredging should be in the same hands, these papers will be transmitted to the Marine Department with a view to instructions being issued for the transfer of the groyne work to the Master Attendant.

(True Extract.)

Major, R.E.,

Offg. Joint Secretary to Government.

To the Marine Department.

" District Engineer, Godavery.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

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