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Public Works DEPARTMENT

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
13th September 1875.*

No. 320. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. F. FISCHER, R.E.
District Engineer, Madura, to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E.
Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Dindigul, 21
August 1875, No. 2,059:—

I HAVE the honor to submit, for the consideration and orders of the Government
the accompanying copies of a letter from
the President of the Local Fund Board
and the Revenue Board's Proceedings therein referred to, as I have no means placed at
my disposal to defray the expenses of surveys, &c., from the 25 per cent. for establish-
ments paid for Public Works supervision.

2. In this district there are but three Local Fund Overseers, and two of these are
employed in the large Zemindaries of Ramnad and Shevagungah; so that I have only
one more available for the six Government Taluqs of

Madura,
Meylore,
Tiroomungalum,
Pereacolum,
Pulney and Dindigul,

in which are not included several other Zemindaries of considerable size and import-
ance; it is true we have some men at 1 Rupees 20 a-month pay, but these men are
totally unfit for Surveyor's and Estimator's work and duties, and it would be impossi-
ble to expect anything more than the most ordinary Maistry's work from them.

3. Requisitions are constantly being sent to me from both Boards, calling for
estimates, &c., and as these are required to be perfectly correct so that not an item
shall be departed from or exceeded as in the instance of the Dharapoorum road lately
brought to notice, I applied for the necessary means, such as is always allowed in
England for the preparation of such estimates as we are accustomed to have at home,
and the Local Fund Board, Dindigul Circle, first, and the Revenue Board at its
instance, and now the President, all decline to afford any further assistance because
of the deduction of 25 per cent. for Public Works supervision, I have then no
alternative but to request an allotment from this way made for the preparation of the
necessary surveys and estimates, and that the Government will be pleased to increase
the number of Overseers by at least three including one for the Pulney Hills; and then
we shall only have one for two of the Government Taluqs and the adjacent Zemin-
daries which are of very large area. An Imperial Fund Overseer has far too much
to do in his own taluq to be able to attend to the Local Fund roads passing through
all parts of his charge and into the Zemindaries, and the assistance I now solicit is
very moderate, considering the great extent of country we have to supervise.

4. I beg further to inform you that after the Local Fund Works have been
transferred to the Public Works Department in the latter part of 1871-72, no increase
of establishment has been given for the Local Fund supervision, though the expendi-
ture on the Local Funds has been considerably increased.

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No. 321. ORDER THEREON, 13th September 1875, No. 2,644.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 18.

The District Engineer will renew his application to the Local Fund Board under Financial Department order, No. 1,730 of 27th August. It is evident that the Local Fund Establishments have hitherto been undermanned in Madura; to remedy which in future a separate order has been passed. After appointment of the Sub-Overseers authorized by that order, the District Engineer will attach the extra Imperial Overseer to Major Law for special training in ghaut work.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Major-General, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

No 2059
District Engineer's Office
Dindigul 21st August 1875
Despatched 23 — 50
From

Vient Colonel J. Fischer R.E.
District Engineer, Madras

Colonel W. Walker R.E.
Secretary to Government

Enclosure 2
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Your most Obedt servant
Wm. Tucker (Seal) 1871
District Engineer

2874: June 75 to 248-299.
 - 28- Jan - - 207-
 - 6- Feb - - 25-
 - 5- - - 46-
 - 18- May - - 207-
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141- - - 7/75

No 320

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P. W. 1875 Dep.
 From No. 5483
 The District Engineer
 To Madras
 The Secretary to Govt.
 P. W. D.
 Madras.

Dated 21st August/75
 Despd 23rd - do
 Recd. 26th -
 No 2059.
 Encl. 2

I inform that
 he ~~has~~ ^{has} ~~been~~ ^{been} ~~placed~~ ^{placed} at his disposal
 to defray the expenses
 of L. St. Sumergo &
 out out 25% Cont
 for Encl. for P. W.
 Approved -
 J. C. No. 2644. 10.9.75

No. 449
 President's Office on Circuit
 Camp Shembaganur 18th August 1875

From,
 H. McQuhar Esquire
 President Local Fund Board
 Madras
 To,
 Lieut. Col. J. F. Fisher R.E.
 District Engineer
 Madras

Sir,
 As requested in your Docket dated
 7th August No. 1839, I have the honor
 to return the two petitions received -
 with your docket dated 2nd Idem No. 1695.
 As regards your request for a sum of
 Rs. 100 for the Survey and Estimate,
 I have only to refer you to the Proce-
 = dings of the Board of Revenue dated
 30th July 1875 Miscellaneous No. 6882 from
 which you will observe that this Charge
 should be met from the 25 per Cent
 on Expenditure Contributed for

Public Works Supervision.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Most Obedt Servt

Wm. McQuar

President

(True Copy)

Wm. McQuar Lieutenant Col. J. E.
District Engineer Madras

Encl: 2. is a letter from
the Distt Engr Madras
to the Secy to Govt.
No 2059 d/21-8-75

Madras

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Copy L.H. 1057
Presdt letter No 669

18 Aug 1875.

CP 13 Sept 1875
in B 12 320

Revenue Department.

Miscellaneous No 6882

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
dated 30th July 1875.

Read letter from the President Local
Fund Board, Madras dated 19th June 1875
No 72 Submitting Copy of a letter from the
District Engineer No 959 and requesting that
the amount of expenditure Rupees 33.12-
incurred for a Special Surveyor therein
referred to may be sanctioned.

Communicated
with Boards
No. of 22nd May
1875 No 1404

Under Government Order Financial
Department dated 4th March 1875 No 195
the Board are unable to sanction the
expenditure of Rupees 33.12-00 stated to
have been incurred for the preparation of
a Survey Plan and Estimate for a line of
Road from Kurlakarai to Jethivail. The
Charge should as already stated be met
from the 25 per Cent. an expenditure is
Contributed for Public Works Supervision
and the District Engineer must obtain
Sanction for its being charged against
General Establishment Public Works Departt.

(True Extract)

By H. S. Stokes
Acting Secretary

West. Tucker Smith Feb. 2.
District Engineer Madison.

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Under date the 13th Sept^r 1875
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the Daily Express and from
the Daily Telegraph to Lord
L. 20.5.9 at 21.8.78

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add'l No. 320

Mr 5280

John Jay Davis
to Mrs. David Davis
Beaumont La 1882
30-9-75

a separate order has
 been passed. After
 appointment of the
 Sub. Overseers authorized
 by that order, the
 District Engineer will
 attach the extra Im-
 perial Overseer to Major
 Law for special training
 in Ghaut work.

No 57,83.

Govt. of 1875, 1876
 PUBLIC WORKS.

To
 Messrs. J. B. & Co.
 Madras

Dated

Issued

By

For

G. O. 1124 P.M. 25/4

No 320 21

877
 Road from Kella Karai to Yethonai
 Madura Lt. - Passing over
 on letter from the Lt. Sup. Madura
 reporting the want of means to
 defray the expenses of survey of
 of the — from the 25 percent
 contributed for Public Works Im-
 - vision, & that the amount is insufficient
 of the Lt. & establishment
 of the District is insufficient

No 320/21

By Mr.