

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
1st November 1875.*

No. 1. Read the following letter from Lieut -Colonel J J McLEOD INNES, R E., Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Account—General,) to Major-General G W WALKER, R E, Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, (Railway Branch,) dated Simla, 21st October 1875, No 654 A —G —

It has attracted attention that the cost of imported iron is now higher than the price of country iron,—in some places by 30 per cent,—and the Government of India are anxious to know what steps are taken by the Public Works Department to utilize and give preference to local resources in this respect.

2 I am therefore directed to request that such information as is available may be given on this point, and to inquire what quantities (approximate) of country iron and of imported iron respectively have been used during the last three official years in Madras, and the cost at which each was procurable in each of these years and is now procurable.

No. 2. ORDER THEREON, 1st November 1875, No. 3,086.

ACCOUNT, No. 1.

COMMUNICATED to the General Superintendent of Public Works Stores and Workshops, through the District Engineer, Presidency, and to the District Engineers, Godavery and Kistna, who will supply such information as is available.

(True Extract)

Major-General, R E.,
Secretary to Government

To the District Engineer, Presidency
" " Godavery
" " Kistna

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No. 652 A-G.
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
ACCOUNT
General

To *The Secretary to the Govt of India
P.W. Department.*

SIMLA, OCTOBER 21, 1875

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I have the honor to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

W. S. L. L.

Depy. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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Dated SIMLA, October , 1875

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