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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
5th February 1875.*

No. 140 Read the following letter from Colonel J G FIFE, R E, Under Secretary to the Government of Bombay, to Colonel G W. WALKER, R E, Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Bombay Castle, 23rd December 1874, No 477 I —

I AM directed by His Excellency the Governor in Council to forward, for the information of the Government of Madras, extract from the Proceedings of this Government, as per margin, relating to project by the Madras Irrigation Company for restoring the Mudduck or Massoor Tank, situated on the Choardy or Koomadwuttee river in this Presidency.

2 I am to apologize for the delay in acquainting you with the decision of this Government which arose through oversight.

Proceedings of the Bombay Government in the Public Works Department, Irrigation Branch dated Bombay Castle, 24th September 1874, No 208 W I—524

Memorandum from the Revenue Commissioner, Southern Division, dated 3rd August 1874, No 2,829

SUBMITS a letter from the Collector of Dharwar forwarding a petition from certain residents of the village of Vassoor in the Koad Taluka, representing the losses they will sustain by the works contemplated by the Mysore Government in connection with the Mudduck Tank, and praying that the sale of some Government waste land to them, lately effected, situated in the north side of the fort of Massoor, Taluka Koad, may be cancelled in consequence

The Collector of Dharwar reports that from information indirectly received, it appears that there is some truth in the report that the Indian Irrigation Company contemplate constructing an enormous lake in the Mudduck Valley in Mysore, submerging some 40 villages, solicits attention to extract paragraph 8 of the Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of Mysore's letter, No 673, dated 15th April 1872, to the address of the Survey and Settlement Commissioner of Mysore, (copy attached), and suggests that not a day be lost by this Government in securing itself against any appropriation of its share of the water of the Koomadwuttee

The Collector also recommends, with reference to paragraph 2 of Government Resolution, No. 15 W I—25, dated 26th January 1874, that the Irrigation Department be requested to hasten its proposal for utilizing the resources of the Koomadwuttee river in the same manner as the Dhamma has been made use of, and strongly urges that this Government represent to the Madras Government and Mysore Commissioner that it cannot admit of any arrangements being made for the appropriation of the water of the Koomadwuttee river without this Government being consulted in the first place and its consent obtained

Memorandum from the Survey and Settlement Commissioner, Southern Division and Mysore, dated 11th August 1874, No 1,256

STATES that the Madras Irrigation Company have long entertained a scheme of raising the bund of the Mudduck Tank some 90 feet, and carrying an Irrigation channel across the Kode and Rannebednoor Talukas of Dharwar, and thence across the longaboodra River into Bellary Observes that he recently prepared for the Mysore Government an estimate of the compensation necessary for the land to be submerged in Mysore Points out that, as far as he is aware, the Madras Irrigation Company have never consulted the Bombay authorities on the subject of this work, though the main channel must pass through many miles of Bombay territory, and the existing bund of the tank which would be buried in the new bund exists solely for the benefits of Bombay territory, and a considerable sum has been expended on it Adds that for the last nine or ten years the Madras Irrigation Company have had this work in consideration, and have had surveys going on at intervals, and that the ultimate construction of the work, even putting considerations connected with Bombay out of sight, is exceedingly doubtful

Proceedings of the Madras Government. Public Works Department,
5th February 1875.

RESOLUTION — The Government of Madras and the Chief Commissioner of Mysore should be informed that the whole of the river Choardy's supply of water can be utilized in the Dharwar Collectorate, and that this Government is, therefore, opposed to the project of the Madras Irrigation Company for leading the water away from the Collectorate.

(Signed) J. G. FIFE, Colonel, R E,
Under Secretary to Government.

No. 141.

ORDER THEREON, 5th February 1875, No. 323

IRRIGATION, No. 5.

ORDERED that the following letter
be sent —

(Here enter No 324, dated 5th February 1875.)

(True Extract)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE, February 5th, 1875.

No 142.

No 324.

FROM

COLONEL G W WALKER, R E,
Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Public Works Department,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY,
Public Works Department.

IRRIGATION, No 6

SIR,—In reply to your letter, No 477 I. of 1874, dated 23rd ultimo, I am directed to state that at present the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company's projects for the construction of reservoirs in Mysore territory are in abeyance, but to prevent misconception as to the position which that Company occupies in respect to the supply of certain rivers unutilized at the time of the signing of the contract, I am directed to transmit, for the information of the Government of Bombay, the enclosed extracts from the contract, dated 3rd June 1863, entered into by the Secretary of State with the Company.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Colonel, R E,
Secretary to Government.

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Extracts from Contract with the Irrigation and Canal Company dated 3rd June 1863.

And whereas the Secretary of State in Council with the concurrence of a majority of votes at a meeting of the Council of India in the month of December one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight entered into an arrangement with the Company to co-operate with them in the construction of the works for irrigation and navigation in the manner and upon the following terms and conditions that was to say That the operations of the Company should in the first instance be confined to one work or project approved by the local Government the estimated cost whereof should be one million pounds Sterling.

And whereas also with a view to carry the said arrangement into effect the Govt. of Madras under the orders of the Secretary of State in Council selected and recommended as the work or project to be constructed by the Company under the said arrangement a certain work or scheme of works for providing irrigation and means of water transport to certain Districts of Southern India

by means of the waters of the Lumbuddra,
Rithia and Pennair Rivers and their tributaries
and effluents which works scheme of works was
described in a Memorandum dated the eighteenth
day of May one thousand eight hundred and
fifty eight drawn up by the order of the said
Govt. of Madras by their Commandant of
Engineers and has since been known between
the parties hereto as the Lumbuddra project.

Now this Indenture witnesseth that
the Secretary of State in Council doth covenant
with the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company
and the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company
doth covenant with the Secretary of State in
Council in the manner following (that is to say)

That the Company shall from time to
time with all convenient speed cause to be made
the necessary survey and to be prepared in
detail the necessary Plans and Estimates of each
of the works comprehended in the Lumbuddra
project as the Company shall deem it ex-
pedient to execute and of each further works
as may be required or necessary having however
due regard to the storage of water sufficient
in quantity to maintain a continuous supply

thereof to the works proposed to be executed
throughout the year if practicable and the
Company shall submit all such Plans and
also the Estimates as to the works to be executed
with the said sum of one million pounds and
either together or in portions to the Secretary
of State in Council for approval

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W—Tanks
Mudduck Tank

No 208 W I—524 of 1874

Public Works Department
(Irrigation Branch)

Bombay Castle,
24th September 1874

Memorandum from the Revenue Commissioner Southern Division, No 2829, dated 3rd August 1874

Submits a letter from the Collector of Dharwar, forwarding a petition from certain residents of the village of Mussoor in the Koad Taluka, representing the losses they will sustain by the works contemplated by the Mysore Government in connection with the Mudduck Tank, and praying that the sale of some Government waste land to them, lately effected, situated in the north side of the fort of Mussoor, Taluka Koad, may be cancelled in consequence.

The Collector of Dharwar reports that from information indirectly received, it appears that there is some truth in the report that the Indian Irrigation Company contemplate constructing an enormous Lake in the Mudduck Valley in Mysore, submerging some 40 villages, solicits attention to extract para 3 of the Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of Mysore's letter No 673, dated 15th April 1872, to the address of the Survey and Settlement Commissioner, Mysore, (copy attached), and suggests that it may be lost by this Government in securing itself against any appropriation of its share of the water of the Koomoodwari.

The Collector also recommends, with reference to para 2 of Government Resolution No 15 W I—5 dated 26th January 1874, that the Irrigation Department be requested to hasten its proposal of utilizing the resources of the Koomoodwari river in the same manner as the Dhurina has been now used, and strongly urges that this Government represent to the Madras Government and the Chief Commissioner that it cannot admit of any arrangements being made for the appropriation of the water of the Koomoodwari river without this Government being consulted in the first place and its consent obtained.

Memorandum from the Survey and Settlement Commissioner Southern Division and Mysore, No 1206 dated 11th August 1874

States that the Madras Irrigation Company have long entertained a scheme of raising the Bund of the Mudduck Tank some 90 feet, and carrying an irrigation channel across the Kode and Rannchod-noor Talukas of Dharwar and thence across the Tongaboodra river into Bellary. Observes that he recently prepared for the Mysore Government an estimate of the compensation necessary for the land to be submerged in Mysore. Points out that, as far as he is aware, the Madras Irrigation Company have never consulted the Bombay authorities on the subject of this work, though the main channel must pass through many miles of Bombay territory, and the existing bund of the Tank which would be buried in the new Bund exists solely for the benefits of Bombay territory and a considerable sum has been expended on it. Adds that for the last nine or ten years the Madras Irrigation Company have had this work in consideration and have had Surveys going on at intervals, and that the ultimate construction of the work, even putting considerations connected with Bombay out of sight, is exceedingly doubtful.

RESOLUTION—The Government of Madras and the Chief Commissioner of Mysore should be informed that the whole of the River Choardy's supply of water can be utilized in the Dharwar Collectorate, and that this Government is, therefore, opposed to the project of the Madras Irrigation Company for leading the water away from the Collectorate.

J G FIFE, Colonel, R E,
Under Secretary to Government.

To

The Revenue Commissioner S D
The Survey and Settlement Commissioner S D. and Mysore.
The Chief Engineer for Irrigation
The Collector of Dharwar.

Mr 24/75

No 477 E of 1874.

Public Works Department.
Irrigation Branch.

Bombay Castle 23rd December 1874

From The Under Secretary to the
Government of Bombay.

To The Secretary to the Govt
of Madras

Sir.

I am directed by His
Excellency the Governor in Council
to forward, for the information
of the Government of Madras,
Extract from the proceedings of

G. R. No 2084 J -
524, dated 22nd Sept^r
1874. -

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as per margin,

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Your most obedient servant

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Colonel R. E.

Secretary to Government

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Government
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of Bombay

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forwarded extra
of Proceedings of the
Bombay Govt. relating
to the project by the
Bombay Irrigation
Company for utilizing
the Mudduck or
Mudduck tank in the
Mudduck or Mudduck
river.

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Letter to sent

Ordered that the following
be done

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for the information of the
Government of Bombay the
enclosed extracts from the
Contract dated 3rd June 1863
entered into by the Secretary
of State with the Company.

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G.M.W.

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& One Copy of Extract.

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present the Madras
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Coll. of 1875, Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

The Secy to the
Govt of Bombay

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Madras Secy of Public Works

Having received from the Secy of Public Works Bombay relating to the project for the Madras Irrigation & Canal Company for restoring the mudduck or Massoor Tank situated on the Coaridge or Kormar river in the Bombay Presidency -