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Government of Madras

Public Works DEPARTMENT

G.O. No.	3330	Press
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Read the following —

- ✓ No. 486. From Mr. P. DORSEY, late Overseer, Department of Public Works,
dated 25th October 1875.
- ✓ No. 486-A. From the District Engineer, Nilgiris, dated 3rd November 1875,
No. 357.

No. 487. ORDER THEREON, 22nd November 1875, No. 3,330.

ESTABLISHMENT, No 30.

MR. DORSEY is informed that his service
does not entitle him to pension. Moreover,
that an unadjusted deficit of Rs. 114-2-11
is still recorded against him. The Government decline giving him a certificate of
character.

(True Extract.)

Major-General, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To Mr Dorsey
To the District Engineer, Nilgiris

Exd S T Austin.
Spare Copies

Sp 602.

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Memo

The Chief has the honor to request the Drury Kilgheerries to state whether the boat has suffered loss, and if so to what extent, by the advances alleged to have been made by the late Orusee Morrey. The amount of recoveries should also be reported.

Forst George
28 Oct 1875.

Wm Whitallier Inspector
Chief Drury

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The Drury Kilgheerries

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The District Engineer
Kilgus

The Chief Engineer
S. W. Department
Madras

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With reference to your
Memorandum N^o 602 of, the
28th ultimo, I have the honor
to forward a Statement
containing the information therein
called for.

I have the honor to do
Sir
Your most Obedt^{ly} Servt^y
Wm Morant
Captain R.E.
District Engineer.

more to be false.

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per copy/
Su G

Rotacammund
22nd October 1857

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Mr. Dorley. I am very glad you are staying so long at Kott-sherry. I am very sorry indeed to hear of these failures on the ghaut, but you seem to be vigilant and doing your best under the circumstances.

I shall come into Wellington on Wednesday next and hope to see you then. But do not on any account change any of your arrangements for me.

Signed J. L. L. Hurant
Capt R.G.

True copy/ P. Dorley
late Member D.P.

[Vertical handwritten notes on the right page, including "C. O. No 3330-2211 1857", "October 1857", and "C. O. No 3330-2211 1857"]

Mr 6887/25.

C. J. J.

Wellington
2 April

My dear Capt. Morant

It is really weary work watching the tedious way in which the repairs of Groat House are being carried out and Mr. Dorley is in my humble judgment utterly unfit as a foreman. The fountain has been a positive nuisance to me, the compound turned into a depot of bricks, and until yesterday carriages could not drive up to my door owing to the repairs of the fountain, the small pillar in the centre of the fountain has been carefully built up & plastered 3 times successively. The zinc pipes after careful joining, leak at every joint & the whole work is thus far a failure. In my opinion I stamp Mr. Dorley as incapable.
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* After the letter was written all under the supervision of Lawrence Harris. H.S.

He comes up occasionally looks at it & goes away & his departure is the signal for the few work men he employs to retire to the shade of the trees & sleep.

Mr. Dorley cannot complain of want of money for the work, his astonishing estimate has been passed, if he is incapable then to execute the trifling works of this Govt. house I wonder how the new barrack will be built under his talented supervision. I wish you could give orders to have the repairs here completed at once. They have been upwards of 2 months at it, & I want to get the grounds tidied up.

Yours sincerely

Signed/ C. H. Cooke.

True Copy/ P. Dorley

Re 6882/75.

late Overseer D. P. W.

Remarks by me: The work was commenced in anticipation of settlement being the work and was away at Nottingham, but orders to be sent in. I started out heads of the estimate were picked & estimated. Revised to a small sum. I was not home then three times at Wellington, to inspect the progress and Col. Cooke could not have properly identified me. The fitting of the

Memorandum

Nota Command
14th April 1875.

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True Copy.

See E. & F.

Mr. Dorley

As for Heaven's sake attend to these matters, why do you give Colonel Cooke cause to complain?

Put Capt. Morrison on the work and get it done at once. Satisfactorily. Stop everything else - Latrine & all - until Col. Cooke's work is done.

I cannot understand why you allow these complaints to arise.

Signed/ J. L. L. Morant
Capt. R. B.
D. H. Inquirer

True Copy.

P. Dorley

late Overseer D. P. W.

No. 1. occasion

Mr. 6887
4/75

Memorandum

Botacau and
22nd April 1875.

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(true copy)

see C

Mr. Dorsey.

The Hon. Mr. Robinson
has written to say that he will
come up the Kotergherry ghats
on the 3rd of next month. I
shall be out at Kotergherry
next week. I hope you will
have the road finished in
time.

Signed/ J. L. L. Inouat
Capt. R. B.

Mr. P. Dorsey Overseer.

(true copy) P. Dorsey
late Overseer.

No. 182
June 1874

see B

No. 6887/75

Memorandum

Memorandum

It appears that Mr. Dorsey has the following money in his possession unaccounted for, as per docket No. 178 of the 24th Instant.

Government money	\$97. 14. 2
Money Collected from private individuals	131. 10. -
Total	\$229. 8. 2

Mr. Dorsey is directed at once to furnish a detailed statement of this money, or to return it to this office.

No salary of any kind will be paid to Mr. Dorsey, until this matter is settled to the satisfaction of the District Engineer.

Signed J. L. L. Morant
District Engineer
Potaichind
25 May 1875

Captain R. B.
District Engineer

June 1874. R. Dorsey
late Overseer

No 148
True Copy
see A.

Memorandum
It appears that Mr Dorley
received moneys for private bills &c,
to the following amount—

Cheque from Dr. Good for	-140.
Colonel Inarts Coffin	
for work done for Dr. Good &	- 9. 11. ..
money with Mr. Dorsey	
From Roman Catholic Priests	- 5. 9. 6
do do	
From Mr. Simon	- 1.
do Dr. Good	- 82. 6. 9
do Mrs. Wren	- 11. 15. ..
do Supt. Rock &c	- 5.
do Private Hans	- 9.
do Mr. Powell	- 20.
do Private Quinn	- 2.
do Supt. Goshlan	- 25.
do Capt Richards for road	- 50.
do do do	- 20.
	<u>Rs. 150-10-9</u>

Of the above he disposed of
the following amounts—

Cheque sent to Dr. Engineer	-140.
from Col. Richards for road	-130.
Labor	- 24.
Cloth &c	- 20. 4. 9
Cloth &c	- 2. 6. ..
Cloth &c	- 2. 6. ..
	<u>Rs. 314</u>

Leaving a balance of

Mr. 6887/95

Ponnammallu
25th October 1875.

Major General G. W. Walker R.E.
Chief Engineer and Secretary
to Government P.W.D.
Madras.

Sir, I beg respectfully to submit to your notice the following facts with reference to my recent dismissal from the Public Works Department:

1. The charges on which I was in the first instance reduced/voided Memo: No. 89 dated Botacammund 15th June 1875 and secondly dismissed vide G. O. No. 2074 dated Botacammund 21st July 1875 was that of having falsified my accounts and not being trustworthy.
2. The proofs brought forward in support of these charges are as follows; Captain Morant R.E. in his letter to Colonel Mullins dated Botacammund 4th June 1875 No. 133 states that on the 13th April 1875 he examined my Cash book and vouchers and found my Cash balance to be Rs. 87.0.2. That on the next day, on going over to the "Kotergerry Ghat" certain Coolies complained to him of not having received their pay for the month of March 1875. That he there upon looked into my Cash book and discovered the following entries to be false. — viz.

of Rs. 450.10.9 - 319.1.9 = 131.10.0 in his hands, of which he failed to apprise the District Engineer or credit it in his accounts.

On the District Engineer inspecting at Kotergerry by appointment Mr. Dorsey's Cash Book, on the 17th of April 1875, he found a balance in the Book of Rs. 87.0.2 which Mr. Dorsey assured him was the correct balance. The next day however the District Engineer discovered that his real balance was Rs. 197.14.2 the following entries being false.

Payment not made — Rs. 765.0
do do — 36.0.0
do do — 304.9.0
Rs. 1100.14.0

Mr 6889
7/75

Mr. Dorsey is directed to fully explain as far as he is able the above irregular proceedings. Signed J. L. L. Morant District Engineer Office Botacammund 24 May 1875 Captain R.E. District Engineer

True Copy. P. Dorsey late District Engineer P.W.D.

1844.	Out of a roll for work done	R a P.
	in March/75	76.5 "
	" " " "	30. " " "
	" " " "	304.9 "
	A full " " " "	Re 410.14 "

thus showing that I should have had
a Cash balance of Rs. 497-14-2. —;
That on the 19th of the following month
he found that certain moneys had
been received by me from private
parties at Wellington for work done
for them by this Department, amount-
ing to Rs. 450. 10. 9, of which only Rs.
319. 0. 9 had been accounted for, thus
leaving a balance of Rs. 131. 10. — not
accounted, and not Rs. 180. 10. 9 as stated
in the letter now being quoted from,
as may be seen on reference to Captain
Morand's R.E. Memoranda to me, dated
Potacumund Nos. 178 & 182 of 24th & 25th May
1875 respectively / see A & B. true C. S. S.

3. Not until the 21st & 25th May 1875, was I called upon to give an explanation of these alleged deficiencies, on which dates I received the above business and a from Captain Inosant R.E. in which I was directed to fully explain the above proceedings.

As I explained at the time.
i.e. in the 13th April 1875, verbally to Captain
Inorant, R.E. and also in my letter to
him of the 2nd June 1875. this balance
was expended in advances to Wudders
8th. This was done as I found that
I could not get these men to come to work
and as Captain Inorant R.E. was contin-
-ally hurrying me to finish the Ghaut.
/vide copy of a letter forwarded herewith
date

dated Botacamount 22nd April 1875/see
true Copy/. He approved of my having
given these advances in proof of which
I have to state that he ordered me to
continue my advances to the Wuddis
with the Rs. 87.0.2 left in my hands.
The reason why I entered these advances
as payments to coolies was that I could
only pay money for work actually finished
and as the Coolies had accomplished their
work, but the Wuddis had not, I could
only apply the payment for the work
done by the Coolies, but not for any on
account of the Wuddis, &c. This pro-
ceeding though not quite regular, yet
I submit was not dishonest, as I did
not profit by it at all, and further
the necessity for getting the work rapidly
pushed on was I thought sufficient rea-
son for a slight departure from the
ordinary rules of the Department.

The R. 131. 10. balance of the moneys received for work done for private parties was expended in the same way as may be seen in reference to my letter to Captain Morant R.E. of the 3rd June 1875, in the proceedings. Though in the list of payments forwarded with my said letter of explanation, there are several items which Captain Morant R.E. disallows totally or partially, yet I submit that that does not show any dishonesty on my part, as I can prove that all the payments there put down were actually made by me, and the most that can be charged against me is an error of judgment.

5. With reference to the charge brought against me of having supplied tradesmen at Wellington with materials without

without due authority, I beg to enclose
herewith a copy of a letter /see D/ from
Mr. F. J. M. M. M. of the firm
of Trautman & Co. which will I think
show that in supplying materials
to these people I only acted in accord-
-ance with orders of my superior Officer.

6. As regards my alleged in-
-competency, I have only to state that
up to the month of April last, although
I had then been 10 years in the Depart-
-ment, no fault had ever been found
with me, and it was only after the
receipt of a letter from Colonel Cooke
Copy of which /see E.F./ I enclose herewith,
and the fact of my having
given evidence in the matter of the
Court Martial of Serjt. Morrison
which did not happen to support
that given by Captain Morant R.E.
that that gentleman discovered I
was not competent. That Captain
Morant R.E. had a very different
opinion of me a little before this
time, I think the enclosed copy of
a letter /see G/ from Captain Morant
R.E. to me, will sufficiently prove.

I may mention here that the
Amount Rs. 156.3.9 said to be deficient in
Cash, were actually all outstanding pay-
-ments to Mudders & Co. which together with
amounts of other Bills handed over to me
for private work done to parties, were all
intended & said by Captain Morant R.E.
that he would stop it out of my pay.

After this explanation of
my conduct I trust that Government
will see that the charges brought

against me and on which I was
dismissed are wholly without founda-
-tion and that Government will
consider the question of allowing me
pension for the time I have served
and give me a certificate of Character
which will remove the imputation
of dishonesty. I may mention that
I have every reason to believe that
I can at once obtain employment
if my character is cleared, and
I submit that Government should
in justice give me a certificate to
that effect. I have not been able
to send in this explanation sooner
in consequence of not having obtain-
-ed certain letters /Nos. 133, 135 & 137/
for which I applied to Captain
Morant R.E. to Lingapo as stated
Circular 13th July 1895 through the
Combatant Superintending Engineer
and which I have only just received
on a second application, this time
to yourself, and which it was ne-
-cessary for me to have in order
to answer the charges brought
against me.

I beg to remain
Your most obedt. Servant
F. Dorsey
late 101st Regt. D. Coy.

Address.

Mrs. F. Dorsey.

Fort Amoy.

No 3330

Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 22nd Nov 75

Read the following -

From, Mr. P. Dorsey
late Overseer S.D.W. } (H. E. No - of 25th Oct 75)
the St Eng. Submarine (- - - 35th - 5th hour)

Mr Dorsey is informed that his services does not entitle him to pension. Moreover that an unadjusted deficit of Rs 114-2-11 is still recorded against him. The Government will not take the ^{debit} responsibility of giving him a Certificate of character.

Mr Dorsey - P. Ramalingam
St Eng. Submarine -

G.M.V.

29-11-75

Regarding his dismissal from the P.W. Dept.

GO No 3330. 22.11.75

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Mr. P. Dorsey
late Overseer S.D.W.

No 1875
No 6887

142064 25th June 75
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142064 25th June 75

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Govt. of Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

To

Mr. Dorsey

Recd
24/11/75

Dated

Issued

Recd

Encl

G. O. 22 Nov 1875, No 3338

Nos. 486-487

Mr Dorsey. Informing
— that his service does not
entitle him to pension, and that
an unadjusted deficit of Rs 14.00
is still recorded against him;
and declining to give him
a certificate of character.