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No. 190. Read the following letter from Captain ROSS THOMPSON, R.E., District Engineer, Presidency, to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Fort St. George, 6th December 1875, No. 3,867:—

In G.O., No. 3,448, of 8th December 1874, the District Engineer, Presidency, was directed to "make early arrangements to supply a bell for the Roman Catholic Church at Poonamallee, similar in all respects to the bells lately authorized for Protestant Churches." Acting upon these instructions the District Engineer in his letter, No. 5,062, of 11th December 1874, requested the General Superintendent of Public Works Stores, &c., to "supply the bell to the Roman Catholic Church at Poonamallee (same as the ones lately supplied to the churches at Yercaud and Bangalore) at an early date, meanwhile submitting plan and estimate for sanction without delay."

2. In reply to this communication the General Superintendent wrote to the District Engineer as follows, in his No. 3,584 of 17th December 1874.

"I have the honor to enclose a plan of a bell for the Roman Catholic Church at Poonamallee, together with an estimate amounting to Rupees 253.

"The estimate does not provide for delivering the bell at Poonamallee, and if that duty is to be performed by this department, cartage, Rupees 2, should be included.

"The plan of the bell is in all respects similar to those supplied to Yercaud and Bangalore. *The work is in hand.*"

3. The District Engineer with his letter No. 5,280, of 21st December 1874, submitted for the sanction of Government the General Superintendent's plan and estimate for the bell, amounting to Rupees 255, and reported that he had ordered the bell to be supplied. G.O., No. 96, of 13th January 1875, upon this letter from the District Engineer, sanctioned the plan and estimate, and conveyed instructions to the Superintending Engineer, Chingleput, to "carry out the work from Minor New Works allotment at his disposal, when funds are available."

4. In G.O., No. 3,264, of the 15th November 1875, the General Superintendent is informed that he "should not have undertaken the supply of the bell till called on for it;" but from the correspondence which I have quoted above, I would beg most respectfully to submit that the General Superintendent in supplying the bell appears to have only acted in accordance with the instructions of Government, conveyed to him through the Presidency District Engineer.

No. 191. ORDER THEREON, 11th December 1875, No. 3,508.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 14.

THE action of the General Superintendent of the Public Works Workshops appears to have been fully justified.

G.O., No. 3,448, of 8th December 1874, does not appear to have been supplied to the Superintending Engineer, Chingleput, but having been referred to in G.O., No. 96, of 13th January 1875, which was supplied, he had ample warning of the call that would have been made upon him and should have arranged to meet it earlier.

(True Extract.)

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

To the District Engineer, Presidency.

„ Superintending Engineer, Chingleput.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

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No. 3867

PRESIDENCY DISTRICT ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

Fort Saint George,

6th December 1875

From

THE DISTRICT ENGINEER,

PRESIDENCY,

To

THE

Chief Engineer, and
Secretary to Government,
M.D.

Sir,

In G.O. No. 3448 of 8th December 1874, the District Engineer, Presidency, was directed to "make early arrangements to supply a bill for the Roman Catholic Church at Poonamallee, similar in all respects to the bills lately authorized for Protestant Churches." Acting upon these instructions the District Engineer in his letter No. 5062 of 11th Decr. 1874 requested the General Supy of Str. Stores &c. to "supply the bill to the Roman Catholic Church at Poonamallee (same as the ones lately supplied to the Churches at Uppeand and Bangalore) at an early date, meanwhile submitting plan and estimate for sanction, without delay."

2. In reply to this communication the
General

General Superintendent wrote to the District Engineer as follows, in his No. 3581 of 9th December 1874:—

"I have the honor to enclose a plan of a bell for the Roman Catholic Church at Ponamallee together with an estimate amounting to Rs 253.

"The Estimate does not provide for delivering the bell at Ponamallee, and if that duty is to be performed by this Dept., cartage Rs 2 should be included.

"The plan of the bell is in all respects similar to those supplied to Yercaud and Bangalore. The work is in hand.

3. The District Engineer with his letter No. 5280 of 21st December 1874, submitted for the sanction of Government the General Superintendent's plan and estimate for the bell amounting to Rs 255, and reported that he had ordered the bell to be supplied. G. O. No. 96 of 13 Jan'y 1875 upon this letter from the District Engineer, sanctioned the plan and estimate, and

conveyed

conveyed instructions to the Superintending Engineer, Chingleput, to "carry out the work from Minor New Works allotment, at his disposal, when funds are available."

4. In G. O. No. 3264 of the 15 Nov. 1875 the General Supt. is informed that he "should not have undertaken the supply of the bell till called on for it" - but from the correspondence which I have quoted above, I would beg most respectfully to submit that the General Supt. in supplying the bell appears to have only acted in accordance with the instructions of Government conveyed to him through the Presidency District Engineer.

I have the honor to be
Sir,

Your most obedient servant

[Signature]
District Engineer

[Signature]
Genl.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 11 Dec/75.

Read the following:—

From The District Engineer } (No. 3867 dt 6 Dec 1875)
Presidency

The action of the General Superintendent of the P. W. Workshops appears to have been fully justified. G.O. No 3448 of 8 Dec 1874 does not appear to have been supplied to the Superintendent Engineer Chingleput, but having been referred to in G.O. No 96 of 13 January 1875 which was supplied, he had ample warning of the call that would have been made upon him and should have arranged to meet it earlier.

Dist Engr - Presidency
S. Engr - Chingleput
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The District Engineer
Presidency.

The Chief Engineer
Chingleput.

Letter dt 11 Nov 1875
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No 3867

Report to the General

Engr. Mr. Moore & Co. supplied

the Roman Catholic Church

at Panamallee with a

bill in accordance with

the instructions of the

Commissioner, Chingleput

to the Engr. Presidency.

G.O. No 3508 dt 11.12.75

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Bill for the Roman Catholic
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— ing that the Supd Engg. should
have arranged to meet the
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— as he had ample warn-
— ing of the call that would
have been made.