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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE

Government of Madras

Public Works DEPARTMENT

G.O. No.	1131	(14)	Press
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Dated	3-5-76		1876

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
8th May 1876.*

No. 99. Read the following letter from Major H. R. MEAD, R.E., District Engineer, South Arcot, to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Camp at Cuddalore, 20th March 1876, No. 17:—

With reference to G.O., No. 852, dated 31st March 1876, directing Mr. Doderet to be sent down to Porto-Novo to blow up a small wreck in the river there, I have the honor to point out that I do not see the slightest necessity for Mr. Doderet being sent in charge of the apparatus, as, if it is sent, the manipulation of it being very simple, it might be worked by the district officers.

2. As the wreck is in still and comparatively shallow water, I think that ordinary Beckford's fuse might be used. I do not know if there is any now available in Madras, but it was a few years ago procurable in the shops there; if 100 yards of good fuse was sent (500 lbs. of gun-powder have been received by the Collector) I believe the wreck might be blown up without delay or trouble.

No. 100. ORDER THEREON, 8th May 1876, No. 1,131.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 8.

THERE being but one complete set of apparatus of the description treated of in the District Engineer's letter at present available for use in the Presidency, it is necessary that every precaution be taken for its preservation and careful manipulation. The arrangements directed in G.O., No. 852, of the 31st of March, will therefore not be disturbed.

(True Extract.)

Colonel,
Offg. Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To the District Engineer, South Arcot.

Ed E C Shooker.
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D. P. W.
SOUTH ARCOOT.

No. 17

DISTRICT ENGINEER'S OFFICE

Camp *Quddalore*

Dated *20 March 1876*

From

(V) The District Engineer,

South Arcot

To

The Secretary to Government
D. P. W.

Enclosure

Sir,

With reference to G. O. 12852 dated 31st March 1876 directing Mr. Dodder to be sent down to Porto Novo to blow up a small wreck in the river there I have the honor to point out that I do not see the slightest necessity for Mr. Dodder being sent in charge of the apparatus as if it is sent the manipulation of it being very simple it might be worked by the District officers.

2. As the wreck is in still and comparatively shallow water I think that ordinary Beckford's fuse might be used. I do not know if there is any more available in Madras but it was a few

years ago procurable in the shops there, if
 100 lbs of good fuse was sent (500 lbs of
 gunpowder have been received by the collector)
 I believe the work might be blown up -
 without delay or trouble.

I have the honor to be
 Sir -

Your most obedient servant
[Signature] Major R.E.
 District Engineer

Received - 136
 31st March 1876

To
 The District Engineer
 South Arcot

From
 The District Engineer
 South Arcot
 No 2834
 Dated 10th April 1876
 Received 21 April 1876

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 5th May 1876 -

Read the following: -

From the District Engineer
 of South Arcot - N. S. No 17 dated
 20th April 1876.

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 of the description
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 taken for its preservation
 and careful manipulation.
 The arrangements directed
 in G. O. No 852 of the
 31st of March will
 therefore not be disturbed.

[Signature]
 Dated 13/4/76

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Mr. B. E. Littlewood!

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