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Public Works DEPARTMENT

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No 604 Read the following letter from J. O'SHAUGHNESSY, Esq., District Engineer, Nellore, to Colonel W. T F FAREWELL, Deputy Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, Fort St George, dated Nellore, 13th June 1876, No 45 —

In reply to your Memorandum, No 413, dated the 3rd March 1876, I regret to inform you that I cannot ascertain why the work referred to was stopped

2 The work (a causeway across the Chillacalva at 159 miles 1,209 yards of the Great Northern Road) was estimated to cost 10,080 Rupees, and was included in the general estimate Rupees 2,42,120, sanctioned in G O, dated 7th January 1869, No 41

3. The present Range Officer, Mr. Ottmann, informs me that "the design is most elaborate, where only a simple stone pavement was wanted, a simple loose stone pavement was built which answers all purposes," this appears to have been done with the approval of the late District Engineer and probably as a temporary measure.

4 The following is a list of the several Range Officers since the estimate was sanctioned —

Mr. Sub-Engineer Hall, from April 1869 to June 1871.

Mr. Supervisor Franklin, from June 1871 to September 1872

Mr. Assistant Engineer Lyon, from September 1872 to April 1873.

Mr. Sub-Engineer Ottmann, from April 1873 to June 1875.

Mr. Supervisor Stephens, from June 1875 to February 1876,

Mr. Sub-Engineer Ottmann, from February 1876 still in charge.

5 The materials under reference were collected by Sub-Engineer Hall, they were reported to have become useless by Mr. Lyon, and they were sold by Supervisor Stephens

6 Mr. Stephens was called upon to explain the manner in which the sale was conducted, and a copy of his reply is attached. It appears on further inquiry that the notice of sale was not circulated by beat of tom-tom in the surrounding villages for two days before the date of sale as well as on the day of the sale, as Mr. Stephens states and as he had reason probably to suppose.

7 As explained in this office No 102, dated the 18th February 1876, the value of the materials to be sold was reported to be only Rupees 264-13-0, otherwise the permission of Government would have been applied for before the sale was sanctioned; the error could, however, have been discovered in the District Engineer's office if the establishment was at all efficient, which unfortunately it is not.

8 Supervisor Stephens states in the letter attached, that if the materials were of any use at all they could be used for other works, but Mr. Ottmann states that there were no works executed at a reasonable distance from where the materials were collected and on which they could have been used, since the work for which they were collected was stopped; Mr. Ottmann's statement appears to be the more correct

9 I regret the delay that has occurred in replying to your memorandum under reference, but I have been trying to collect as much information on the subject as possible.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
29th June 1876. No 1,613

From Mr J H STEPHENS, Range Officer, Northern Range, Nellore Division, to the Officiating Superintending Engineer, Nellore, dated Camp at Tutic, 22nd December 1875.
No 410

I have the honor to submit the statement called for in your No 1,147 of 20th ultimo, G.O. No 243, of 27th January 1875, is not recorded in my office. The materials referred to are of a nature to be written off to "profit and loss," as if they were of any use at all, they could be utilized for other works.

2 I inspected the materials before arranging about the sale, and found that the sand had all been blown away, and the lime greatly reduced in quantity. It seemed only a mass of rot and I was surprised it also was not all blown or washed away considering the long time it was left exposed. The bricks were only a heap of mud. Under these circumstances, I saw it would be foolish to advertise the sale in the Gazette, and simply ordered it to be circulated by beat of drum in surrounding villages. This was done two days before date of sale, and also on date of sale, 7th October 1875.

3 Overseer Veeraswamy Moodaliar conducted the sale, and I am rather inclined to think that it was through his influence that a purchaser was induced to take the lime. The stone collected would have been readily taken, but this was not ordered to be sold. The sale took place at site of work in 150 mile of road. Other particulars are given in the statement.

No 605

ORDER THEREON, 29th June 1876, No. 1,613

ACCOUNT, No. 43

The sale of the materials is under the circumstances approved. The transaction will be adjusted in the accounts under instructions from the Examiner.

2 The neglect to remove the chunam to a place where it might have been utilized before it deteriorated is not creditable to the Range Officers concerned.

(True Extract.)

Offg Secy to Govt, P.W.D.

To the District Engineer, Nellore
" Examiner of Public Works Accounts

For W H Field
Sd/- Co. Secy

c/o 410.

Northern Range Office,
Camp Tutic 22nd Decr 1875.

From,

The Officer in Charge
Northern Range,
N.D.

Sd/-

The Offg. Superintending Engineer
Nellore.

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Sd/ J. H. Stephens
Range Officer.

/ True copy /

W. H. M. S. S. S.
District Engineer

No 45 District Engineer's Office,
Tellico 13th June 1876.

From J. O. Shaugnessy Esq.,
District Engineer of
Tellico

To... Colonel W. T. Farewell
Deputy Chief Engineer
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Fort St George.

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P. W. D. 4334/76

Enclosure in letter
No 4 of 13th June 1876.
From
The District Engineer
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To
The Dy. Chief Engineer
P. W. D.
Chennai.

in G.O. dated 27th January 1869 No 41.

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Mr Supervisor Stephens from June 1875
to February 1876

Mr Sub Engineer Ottumaw from February 1876
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Your most obedient servant
W. H. M. S. S.
District Engineer

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 The District Engineer
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 dated 13th June 1976
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No 1643

Public Works Department

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 29th June 76
 Read the following. -

From the District Engineer, Z.P.R. No 45 of 13th June 76.
 Nellore

The sale of the materials is under the circumstances approved. The transaction will be adjusted in the accounts under instructions from the Engineer.

The request to remove the Churnam to a place where it might have been utilized before it deteriorated is extremely discreditable to the Range Officers concerned.

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 By Mr. A. S. 5/5
 Date 18/7/76

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