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17th July 1876. No. 1,794.*

No. 251.

Read the following :—

No. 89 W.

Note by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

IN G.O., 29th May 1874, No. 1,427, an estimate of Rupees 6,130 was sanctioned for improvements to the Thorapaudy Tank and its supply channel; and with a letter, No. 232, of the 22nd April last, the District Engineer, North Arcot, submitted a comparative statement showing an excess of Rupees 1,216 on the work, as follows :—

	Estimate. RS.	Expenditure. RS.	Excess. RS.
Improving Thorapaudy diversion channel	2,800	3,538	738
Adding one vent to Thorapaudy bridge...	1,380	1,717	337
Raising present calingulah and constructing new surplus weir	1,950	2,091	141

Captain Pennycuik in transmitting the revised estimate, or, in fact, bill, said that the chief reason given for the excess is the increase of rates owing to the demand for labor and materials on the Palar bridge, but that he was bound to say that he did not consider this reason as sufficient, as similar causes must have operated to at least as great an extent in the Wallajah range, where it has been found practicable to keep the cost of work done pretty nearly to its normal level. He added that the excess in some of the items is out of all proportion to any rise of prices due to the above cause, and he considered defective supervision to be partly in fault.

2. It appeared from the explanations recorded in the comparative statement that certain extra work had been done, and as on the necessity for this the District

Engineer had expressed no opinion, the omission was brought to his notice, and in his letter, No. 718, of the 31st May, he explains that the extra work was necessitated when the channel was breached a second time in May 1874, that is apparently between the time of the preparation of the estimate and the commencement of the work. In that case a revised estimate ought to have been prepared at once and sanction to it obtained. Explanation has also been afforded regarding the cost of some of this extra work.

3. There appears to be no room for doubt, looking to the facts as exhibited in the comparative statement and to the District Engineer's opinion as to rates, in which the undersigned concurs, that the work has cost more than was reasonable, and that Assistant Engineer Soobroya Chariar is therefore to blame.

OOTACAMUND,
10th July 1876.

(Signed) JOHN MULLINS, Lt.-Col., R.E.,
Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

To the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.

No. 252.

ORDER THEREON, 17th July 1876, No. 1,794.

IRRIGATION, No. 21.

THE Examiner of Public Works
Accounts will be authorized to pass the
excess expenditure of Rupees 1,216 on

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the Thorapaudy Tank and its supply channel improvements, for which an estimate of Rupees 6,130 was sanctioned in G.O., 29th May 1874, No. 1,427.

2. Assistant Engineer Soobroya Chariar is shown to be responsible for the inefficient arrangements for the management of this work, whereby the cost has been unnecessarily increased, and the attention of the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, will be drawn to this circumstance.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Major-General, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Examiner of Public Works Accounts.

- „ District Engineer, North Arcot.
- „ Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
- „ Chief Engineer, Public Works Department.
- „ Assistant Engineer S. Soobroya Chariar, B.C.E., through District Engineer, South Arcot.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

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OFFICE OF CHIEF ENGINEER FOR IRRIGATION,

Fort St. George,

1876.

Note by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

Rule 4.

In G.O. 29th May 1874, No. 1427, an estimate of Rupees 6130 was sanctioned for improvements to the Thorapaudy Tank and its supply channel, and with a letter No. 232 of the 22nd April last the District Engineer, North Arcot submitted a comparative statement showing an excess of Rupees 1216 on the work, as follows:-

Improving Thorapaudy	Estimate	Expenditure	Excess
diversion channel	2800	3538	738

Adding vent to Thorapaudy	Estimate	Expenditure	Excess
bridge	1380	1717	337

Raising present salingulak and constructing new en-

plus weir	Estimate	Expenditure	Excess
	1960	2091	141

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Wilmington
St. Colonel 6th
Chief Engineer Fort
Irrigation

For the Secretary to Govt. W.D. ^{Immigration} sec.

From

The Chief Engineer for Irrigation,

To

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department.

Dated 18. July

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ENCLOSURE 4

No. 89. W.

Subject.

Thorapandy Tank — R. Arest Dist.
note on the excess of Rs. 1216 over the estimate
for improvements to the — & its supply
Channel, sanctioned in G.O. No. 1427
of 29th May 1874.

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Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date, the 17 July 76.

READ the following:—

From the Chief Eng for
Irrigation } H.E. No. 89 of 10 July 76.
(Recd)

The Examiner of
P. W. Accounts will be
authorized to pass the
excess expenditure of
Rupees 1216 on the Thora-
pandy Tank and its
supply channel improve-
ments for which an
estimate of Rupees 6130
was sanctioned in G. O.
29th May 1874, No. 1427.

2. Assistant Engineer
Loobrayachariar is
shown to be responsible
for the inefficient arrange-
ments for the manage-

James M. Smith

The above is a list of the
 names of the persons who
 have been admitted to the
 membership of the Society
 since the last meeting.

Is there any more?

Ex. P. W. D. ✓
C. E. for Swath to Endo. ✓
C. E. P. W. D.
Recd. from S. Sambrook Chariar. Recd. ✓
Thos H. Myers, Smith Annot. ✓
Depd 2/5/86

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To

The Engineer of P. W. D.

Mr. H. S. Sankar
25/7/10

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Sent to Mr. S. S. Sankar
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Thorpandy Tank and its
supply channel improvement
North Arcot P. W. D. in continuation
the P. W. D. to pass the
excess outlay incurred on the
— & drawing the attention
of the Chief Engr. to the in-
efficient arrangements made
by Asst. Engr. Soobraya charie
for the management of the work
which led to an increase
over the original estimate.