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Government of Madras

Public Works DEPARTMENT

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Dated	8-12	1876 -195-

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No 156. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel R B KENNEDY, District Engineer, Malabar, to Major-General G W WALKER, R E, Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Calicut, 29th November 1876, No. 168 —

IN forwarding the accompanying letter, No 239, dated 4th instant, from the Cannanore Range Officer to your address, explaining the cause of the "irregularity" referred to in G O, No 2,976, dated 4th November 1876, as to his having been guilty of, I have the honor to state that Lieutenant Dobson submitted, on the 26th October 1875, an indent for twenty-five wheel-barrows, which was passed by this office in anticipation of funds being applied for later in 1875-76, no allotment under "Tools and Plant, Imperial," being then at the disposal of the District Engineer, as none was made in that year for Malabar (*vide* Budget for 1875-76), but as the bill from Ordnance Department was only received in last month, the cost of the stores was not known till then, hence no application for funds was made either in 1875-76, or till the receipt of the bill

2 I think under the circumstances Lieutenant Dobson is exonerated from any blame in the matter, as he acted under sanction of the Acting District Engineer.

From Lieutenant A E DOBSON, R E, Assistant Engineer, Malabar, to Major-General G W WALKER, R E, Secretary to Government, Public Works Department—through the District Engineer, Malabar—dated Cannanore, 24th November 1876, No 239

I BEG with reference to G O, No 2,976, of 4th November 1876, in which I am censured as being "guilty of an irregularity," to forward the following explanation in the hope that it may be considered satisfactory, and that I may be exonerated by Government from the blame that has been attached to me

2 In October 1875, I required some wheel-barrows for the large works in progress in Cannanore Cantonment, and I drew out an indent for the same on the Arsenal and forwarded it to Commissary in charge, who duly checked the same, the indent was then forwarded to Mr Harris, Officiating District Engineer, for approval and sanction, it was countersigned by that officer and in due time returned to me, admitted by the Inspector-General. I then received the stores in January 1876, but I most respectfully beg to point out that no allotment is made to Range Officers for tools but in lump sum for the district and held by District Engineer, and that I had therefore no means of knowing whether funds were available or not, and, further, the accounts cannot be adjusted until advice of the amount due is received from Ordnance Department, which is not generally the case until many months after the stores are received. I respectfully submit therefore that if funds were not available the indent should have been returned to

* When I was in charge of the Kurumbranad Range, in District Engineer's memorandum No 98 of 13th September 1876

me with a notice to that effect, as was lately done in the case of an indent,* I made out on the Arsenal for Local Fund Works, and that

I should not have been allowed to indent for the stores

3 I further beg to point out that as these stores were obtained in January 1876, and the bill was not received from Ordnance Department until October 1876, that there may have been funds at that time when indent was sanctioned by District Engineer though there were none available when the bill was received. I beg therefore that the circumstance may be taken into consideration, and the censure which I have received may be removed

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
8th December 1876 No. 3,313

No 157.

ORDER THEREON, 8th December 1876, No 3,313

ACCOUNT, No. 9.

BLAME for the irregularity committed is transferred from Lieutenant Dobson to Mr Harris

2. The attention of the Inspector-General of Ordnance will be called in the Military Department to the great delay in furnishing bills for tools supplied.

(True Extract)

Major-General, R E,
Secretary to Government

N^o 239 Gannanore Division office
Gannanore 24th Nov^r 1876

From,

The Officer in charge
Gannanore Division, D P W.

To,

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department

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The District Engineer
Malabar, D P W

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Yours most obedt Servt

W. B. Kennedy D. Litt. A. E. Dobson. Lt Col.
D. Engd in labor. Asstt Engineer & mals.

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No. 8753

Original letter from
Lt. Dobson to Secy.
to Govt. 21/10/76
23/10/76 dated 24/10/76
1876, requesting to
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Engineer as he had received
no statement about
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Malabar District Engineer's Office
Calicut 29th November 1876.

From
The District Engineer
Malabar,

To
The Secretary to Government
P.W.D.
Madras.

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Cannanore Range Officer to your address,
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1876 as ^{to} his having been guilty of, I have
the honor to state that Lieut. Dobson
submitted on the 26th October 1875 an Indent
for 25 wheel barrows which was passed
by this Office in anticipation of funds
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being then at the disposal of the District
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Sir,

Your most obt. Servant,

Mt. B. Kumar, Lt. Col

Dist. Engineer, Malabar

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Public Works Department

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT

UNDER date the 8th Dec/76
Read the following -

His Contract Engineer } (H.C. No. 168 of 29th Nov 16.)
Malabar }

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Dated 10/12/16

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of the County of Middlesex
in the City of New York.
I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter of the
29th inst.

Dated 29 Nov^r
Recd 3 Dec^r 1876
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№ 156

87/53
Govt. of 1876 Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

To

Mr. D. G. Chelakudi.

Dated

Issued

Recd

Encl

G. O. No. 1876, No. 33/3

Nos. 156, 7

Wheel barrows obtained
from the Ordnance Dept.
for the Malabar Dist.
Lt. Colson, R. E. sponsored
and Mr. Harris named
in regard to the —

And no more