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Public Works DEPARTMENT

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
9th February 1876.*

Read the following:—

No. 152. From the Officiating Superintending Engineer, Godavery, dated 8th December 1875, No. 2,713.

No. 153. From do. do. dated 6th January 1876, No. 2,969.

No. 154. ORDER THEREON, 9th February 1876, No. 360.

ACCOUNT, No. 8-A.

THE Governor in Council has perused this correspondence with much regret.

2. A serious misunderstanding has arisen between officers of two departments who should have worked in perfect accord. Public time has been wasted in the writing and perusal of a lengthened correspondence.

3. The primary cause of the misunderstanding was the irregular mode in which, without the proper and prescribed forms being observed, the land of certain ryots was entered upon, and a new intended channel aligned and marked out thereon by the throwing up of certain earthen mounds. In consequence of the representation of the ryots, a perfectly courteous and proper application for information was made by the officer of the Revenue Department. The Executive Engineer replied by a letter, No. 78 of the 25th May 1875, which misled the recipient, as it would have misled any person receiving such a letter from one in Captain Brockman's position. The faults thus far were entirely the faults of the officer of the Irrigation Department.

4. Mr. Kelsall, however, the officer of the Revenue Department, having been misled, and consequently having made an incorrect announcement to the ryots, allowed himself in a moment of chagrin to impute to the Executive Engineer, Captain Brockman, an intention to mislead. This was unjustifiable, and, but for subsequent withdrawal, must have been severely censured.

5. Captain Brockman's letter, above referred to, was discourteous in its tone, and misleading in its expression; it misled Mr. Kelsall, and Captain Brockman knew that it had misled him. The Governor in Council has searched the correspondence in vain for any expression of regret by Captain Brockman that his letter had misled the recipient.

6. His Grace the Governor in Council records the opinion that the blame of of this misunderstanding rests principally upon Captain Brockman, R.E. The officers of the Irrigation Department will be strictly enjoined not to enter upon any land except in accordance with the formalities and notices prescribed by Act X. of 1870.

(True Extract)

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

To the District Engineer, Godavery,
To all other District Engineers. } Extract.
To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, }
„ Revenue Department, for communication to the Collector.

Para 2 & parts of 3 & 6 as marked

P. H. Department
No 360
Proceedings of the
Madras Government
under date 9. Feb/76

From Offg. Supt. Ins.
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(No. 2713 d/s Dec. 1875)
(No. 2969 d/s Jan. 1876)

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To
Sd/- Godeauxy
All other D. Engineers
Chief Engineer for D.
Gen. Department for Communication
to the Collector.

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All District Engineers of Engrs. para 2 &
Ch. B. for Irrigation of parts of 376 as marked.
Revenue Dept. for communication.
Attention to the letter.
Despd - 17-2-76

G.M.W.

1. Govt. of 1876 Madras.
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To

G. S. Sodavery

Dated

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G. O. 9th Feb 1876, No. 3602

No. 152757

Land, Sodavery Dist

Passing order regarding the
misunderstanding between
officers of two depts on the
subject of the taking up of
land in a certain Channel
in the Dist