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# MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

*Public Works* DEPARTMENT.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS  
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

26th June 1877, No 307 W.

Buildings and Roads  
Civil Works

Read the following papers —

No 250 Endorsement of the Chief Secretary to Government, Financial Department, dated Fort St George, 4th June 1877, No 1,181.

From L. R BURROWS, Esq, Acting President of the Municipal Commission, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 1st June 1877, No. 319 E

I HAVE the honor to request that Government will be pleased to direct the immediate repair by the Public Works Department of the roadway over Elephant Gate Bridge. It has long been in a very bad state, but it is now dangerous owing to the holes in its surface.

2 Government are aware that the whole traffic between the Black Town and the Beach on one side and the Madras goods station on the other has to pass over this bridge. From six in the morning to six in the evening there may be said to be an incessant stream both ways. It therefore requires constant attention.

TRANSFERRED to the Public Works Department.

(Signed) D. F CARMICHAEL,  
Chief Secretary

No 250-A. From Major ROSS THOMPSON, R E, District Engineer, Presidency, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, Buildings and Roads, dated Fort St George, 20th June 1877, No. 1,648

ADVERTING to your endorsement No 1,485, dated 5th instant, on a letter from the President, Municipal Commission, (herewith returned), I have the honor to submit an original letter from the Northern Range Officer explaining that the roadway over the Elephant Gate Bridge was so neglected by the Municipality before it was handed over to the Public Works Department on the 1st April last.

2. The roadway has since been repaired completely.

From Mr H PRIMM, Supervisor in charge of Northern Range, to Major ROSS THOMPSON, R E, District Engineer, Presidency, dated Fort St George, 18th June 1877, No 102

In reply to your No 1,510, of 13th instant, I respectfully beg to state I am unable to explain why the roadway over the Elephant Bridge has been so neglected, except that it was neglected by the Municipal Engineer Department before it was handed over to the Public Works Department on the 1st of April last.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, 26TH JUNE 1877, No 307 W

2 I have known this roadway for over twelve months, and during this time it has been in bad order

No 251

ORDER THEREON, 26th June 1877, No. 307 W.

COMMUNICATED to the Financial Department

(True Extract.)

(Signed) E. A. FOORD, Colonel, R E,  
Secretary to Government, P W D

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Fort Saint George  
18 June 1877.

The District Engineer

Presidency.

Sir

In reply to your N<sup>o</sup> 1510 of 13<sup>th</sup> instant. I respectfully beg to state, I am unable to explain why the road way over the Elephant Bridge has been so neglected except that it was neglected by the Municipal Engineer Department, before it was handed over to the L. P. W. on the 1<sup>st</sup> of April last. I have known this road way for over 12 months, and during this time it has been <sup>in</sup> bad order.

I beg to remain  
Sir

Yours obedient Servant

HD  
Superior Co. W.

In charge of Northern Range.

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From

The Supervisor  
In charge of R. Range

No 102

Letter 187  
Recd 19 June 1877

Elephant gate bridge

Forwarded and explanation  
regarding the

4026 June 77 No 250

No 1048

From

The District Engineer,  
Presidency

To

The Chief Engineer,  
Buildings and Roads.

Sir,

Adverting to your endorsement No 1485  
of 5th instant, on a letter from the President  
Municipal Commission (herewith returned) I  
have the honor to submit, an original letter  
from the Northern Range Officer explaining that  
the roadway over the Elephant Gate Bridge  
was so neglected by the Municipality before  
it was handed over to the D.P.W. on the  
1st April last.

The roadway has since been repaired  
completely

I have the honor to be  
Sir,

Your most obedient servant.

*W. P. Thompson* Major  
District Engineer  
Presidency

For St George  
20 June 1877

*W. P. Thompson*

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No 1648.

Dated 20 June 1877

No of Enclures, 2.

Roadway, Elephant Gate  
Bridge -

to Smith's explanation  
regarding the neglected  
state of the —

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which are now causing much damage.  
The whole building, especially the place  
occupied by the Bear & Reptiles, will be washed  
out by the next flood that the Land floods.

Respectfully state that the said  
Statement to this Bureau has been  
respected. The reports said to have been  
done in November last is incorrect as no  
reports have been made since 1878.  
[Signed] T. J. [unclear] [unclear]  
[unclear] [unclear] [unclear]

24 Feb 1913  
To the Station Staff Officer  
Paluvanam

Dr. 1159. *Perennial Puffball.*  
Madeast. May 1897.

To The Stage Lined.  
Palmer

Yours Memo. dtd 13<sup>th</sup> of 28<sup>th</sup> April 1777. to the Station  
Staff Office Palamooram.

— Please state the probable cost of the fully-repairs referred to inclusive of painting the floor with coal tar

The building was repaired in 1876. there  
is a Certificate to that effect of 13. Sept. 1876.  
Signed by Steffen (Davenport).  
Lieut. C. A. Bruce Capt. J. C. Cole  
Asst. Surg. Genl.

No 61. With reference to Memo No 159 of May 17.  
the undersigned respectfully begs to report  
that the Store Room has been inspected by a  
Contractor who estimates the cost of repairs and  
whitewashing at Rupees Twenty five.  
The Landlady may be able to get it done.

for less, but it would be necessary to have  
it done as early as possible as the Office  
Commanding the Station has on several  
occasions complained of the state of the  
building especially the place occupied by  
the Native Guard. Wm. T. Kelly, Staff  
Palmeram 7 May 1873  
Comd. C. B.

The Enclosure appears  
to be in good order.

True Copies.

Superintendent  
Palmeram

L.O. 267/100 252.

No 2146

Ex. Camb. Office  
Charras 30 May 1873.

From

The Asst. Commissary General

Charras

The Commissary General

Charras.

Sir.

I have the honor to bring to your  
notice that great difficulty is experienced  
in getting annual repairs executed by the  
landlord to the house rented by this Dept.  
for the Comd. Stores at Palmeram as will  
be seen from the enclosed Correspondence  
on the subject. Last year some repairs were  
made by him after much pressure, but this  
year he pleads inability to do so from poverty,  
which plea, I believe to be correct, stating  
that the low rental of 12-8-0 per annum  
on which he is dependant for support  
leaves no margin for expenditure on repairs  
and that he would gladly be relieved of the  
trouble and expense the house has been  
to him, if Govt. would purchase it for a  
reasonable price.

II In April 1872 the Govt. building pre-  
viously occupied by our store being required  
for military purposes, Govt. in their order  
No. 1116 of 5-4 April 1872 on the recommendation

of the Comptroler General sanctioned the house being rented by the Department for Rupees 12/8 on the terms that the Landlord was not to raise the rent or give the Department notice to quit so long as the house was required for Govt. purposes, and further that certain repairs which were then required to render the building fit for use as a store room should be executed by the Executive Engineer of the Mount Range.

III It certainly is a great convenience having the use of this house till such time as a suitable building for the Staff sepoy's stores is available or built, though probably the house itself would not be found by the Engineer Department to be a desirable investment. I would therefore suggest for your consideration that as the rent is very low & the landlord not in a position to keep it in repair he should be relieved from that and the necessary repairs while the building is required by Govt. be executed by the D. P. as was done on first occupation in 1872.

I have the honour  
to be  
your most obedt servant  
Geo Barker Esq  
Asst Commr

For the Comptroler General

100/100/100

F.W.D.  
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No 8016

Letter to Government 15 June 1872  
in 3x 2 inch Office  
Letter to 20th  
Letter to 31st June 1872  
Letter to 31st June 1872

House of Commons  
1872

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Shri the Controller of Military Accounts  
COMMISSARY-GENERAL'S OFFICE,  
Madras, 15 June 1872

No. 2067

From  
THE COMMISSARY-GENERAL,  
To  
THE SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT,  
MILITARY DEPARTMENT,  
FORT SAINT GEORGE

SIR,

I have the honor, in forwarding  
the accompanying letter, No. 214, dated  
30th May 1872, from the Revenue Com-  
missioner, Madras, and its enclosures,  
relative to the repairs required to a house  
at present occupied by this Department at  
Puducherry as a store-room under the sanction  
accorded in the Proceedings and Order of  
Government (No. 111) dated 5th April 1872,  
to recommend, for favorable consideration,  
Colonel Bardin's suggestion as to the  
repairs in question being executed by the Public  
Works Department, as was done when the  
building was first taken possession of in  
1872. - The annex, it will be perceived, is  
unable to carry out any repairs himself, in  
consequence of the small sum he gets, and  
it is absolutely necessary that proper accom-  
modation be provided for the commissariat stores  
at that place - I have the honor to be

Yours most obedient servant  
R. S. S. Colver  
Off. Commissary General

He. A. B.

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E. No. 13/9

Madras Municipality,

EXECUTIVE ENGINEER'S OFFICE

Madras, 1<sup>st</sup> June 1877.

From

L. R. BURROWS, Esq.,

Acting President Municipal Commission.

To

The Honble D. F. Carmichael  
Chief Secretary to Government  
Fort St. George

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may be said to be an incessant stream  
both ways. It therefore requires  
constant attention.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant.

L. R. Burrows

Acting President Municipal Commission

10/5/77

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No 307 W

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Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 25<sup>th</sup> June /77

Read the following

From the Financial Dept. (H.R. No. 1181 d/4 June, 1877)  
The Dist. Engr. Presidency (H.R. No. 1048 d/20<sup>th</sup> June 1877)

Communicated to  
the Financial Department.

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D. C. Presidency  
Financial Dept.

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P.W.D

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4<sup>th</sup> June 1877

Chief Engineer

Government

No 1181

It is desired that the  
works on the bridge  
be completed as soon as  
possible so that the  
road may be in a  
state of repair.

From the  
Chief Engineer  
to the  
Chief Engineer  
of the  
Presidency  
No 3387  
Dated 4<sup>th</sup> June 1877  
Cmrd

No 1485 Forwarded to the  
District Engineer Presidency  
whose attention is called to  
the condition of the road on  
the bridge in question, and  
who will take immediate  
steps to have it put into  
proper state of repair.  
2. He will also explain  
how this bridge has been  
so neglected

6 JUN 77

Superintendent  
5 June 1877  
The District Engineer Presidency

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*Ans. 6078*  
GOVT. OF 1877  
PUBLIC WORKS.

To

Dated

Issued

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G.O. 26<sup>th</sup> June 1877, No 3074

Nos. 250-251

Roadway over the Elephant  
Gate Bridge. Letter from

the Muz, Presdy. P.W.  
submitting report on the  
State of the - & intimating  
that the road has since  
been repaired, Com?  
to the Civil Dept