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(Signed) G. S. FORBES,
Offg. Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

ORDER—dated 10th July 1883, No. 1348, Public.

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(True Extract.)

E. F. WEBSTER,
Acting Chief Secretary.

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BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
CIVIL WORKS.

Govt. of (1882) Madras
PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated June, 12th.

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G.O., 12th June 1882, No. 1458 W.

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Nos. 78-79.

Tirumal Naick's Palace.

Repairing and adapting — for the purpose
of public offices.—Considers that the work
of — does not come within the purview of
Captain Cole's appointment as Curator of
Ancient Monuments.

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C. W. W. Major P.E.

Under Secy P.W. & for
Chief Secy

12TH JUNE 1882, No. 1458 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

No. 78.

READ—letter from the Consulting Architect to Government, dated 2nd June 1882,
No. 168.

No. 79.

ORDER—dated 12th June 1882, No. 1458 W., Public Works.

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council does not consider that the work of repairing and adapting Tirumal Naick's Palace for the purpose of public offices comes within the purview of Captain Cole's appointment.

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(Signed) R. H. SANKEY, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To the Consulting Architect to Government.
" Curator of Ancient Monuments in India.
" Superintending Engineer, Sixth Circle.

Exd. C. Howarth.
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GENERAL
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Dated May, 15th.

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G.O., 15th May 1882, No. 1223 W.

MAY.

Nos. 82-83.

Curator of Ancient Monuments
in India.

Captain Cole, R.E.—Letter from — regarding his constitution as professional adviser to the Government of Madras, communicated to the Officers of the Public Works Department for information and guidance.

15TH MAY 1882, No. 1223 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General
Establishment.

No. 82.

READ—the following G.O., dated 5th May 1882, Public :—

Read—the following letter from Captain H. H. COLE, R.E., Curator of Ancient Monuments in India, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Simla, 24th April 1882, No. 178 :—

I have the honor to invite your attention to the following observations.

2. The letter addressed to you by the Government of India in the Home Department, No. $\frac{1}{5}$, dated 12th August 1881, constitutes me professional adviser to the Government of Madras and points out that all schemes for works of conservation should be considered in consultation with me, and that a certain degree of pecuniary assistance may be looked for from the Supreme Government.

3. In almost every case it will be necessary to make an inspection of each building or monument before recommending measures. I have hitherto, with few exceptions, been able to adhere to this course. When the plans and specifications or other descriptions of work to be done have been framed, I would ask to be allowed to peruse them in order to have the opportunity of becoming acquainted with the details of each project. I would, if possible, inspect the work in progress and endorse the completion report in recognition of the repairs or restoration effected.

4. This course being strictly in accord with the position assigned to me by the Government of India and now confirmed by Her Majesty's Secretary of State, I hope the necessary orders will be communicated to the officials who are likely to be concerned in the conservation of ancient architectural monuments in the Madras Presidency.

Order—dated 5th May 1882, Public.

Transferred to the Department of Public Works.

(Signed) G. S. FORBES,
Acting Under Secretary.

No. 83.

ORDER—dated 15th May 1882, No. 1223 W., Public Works.

Communicated to the Officers of the Public Works Department for information and guidance.

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(Signed) R. H. SANKEY, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

To Superintending Engineers.

To the Consulting Architect to Government.

„ Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

„ Consulting Engineer for Railways.

„ Curator of Ancient Monuments in India.

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