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South Arcot Divisional Office
Dudicherry 10 November 1884.

From The Executive Engineer
South Arcot Division
To The Superintending Engineer
5 Circle

Sir

I have the honor to report, that between the 3rd & 8th inst^{ts}, extraordinary heavy rain has fallen in this District, the total in 5 days at Cuddalore having been almost 32 inches.

(2) The result is, much damage to tanks, channels, roads, rail road and public works generally.

(3) I had unfortunately come to Pondicherry on the morning of the 3rd, intending to camp near Valdavoor in order to attend to some long & pending French matters, and have been caught, as it were, in a trap, for when I thought it advisable to get back to Cuddalore, I found I could not do so by either road or rail; the bridge over the former over the "Ariankuppam" river, having fallen and the railway between Villupuram & Cuddalore being

From 6 to 11 3 to 6 A.M.	4"	6.52
" " " " " "	5"	7.37
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		31.94

* one of the mouths of the Gingee river.

being breached in several places.

(4) Telegraphic communication having been also interrupted in all directions I have not been able to get information of much that has happened but I have heard, I regret to say, that the Vallajah tank breached on the 4th Instant, water in it having risen to 2 feet above the maximum flood level of 1880.

The Koudangi (Mount Copper) tank has also breached, and it is rumoured that the Perumal tank has gone.

(5) From the Chidambaram Taluk I have heard positively nothing; I only trust that the Choleroon has not been in flood and poured into the Veeravaram tank a large volume of water in addition to the excessive local floods.

(6) From the Tridhachellam Sub Division also I have not heard

anything.

(7) From the Tirudivanam Sub Division I have merely heard that many tanks have gone.

(8) Some of the Arches of the Gudaluru Bridge at Buddalore are said to have fallen.

(9) With the aid of Katakaram, messengers were able to get to Buddalore from this place yesterday and I have hoped that I may be released from my enforced detention here in two or three days.

I have the honor to
Yours faithfully,
J. T. Walch,
Executive Engineer.

N^o. 3130



To the Chief Engineer S.P.
Other reports show that the Choleroon did not rise to any great height.

Yours faithfully,
14th Novem^r 1884
Superint^g Eng^r
5th Divⁿ

Chicago ✓

The Hon H. E. Sullivan

Respectfully



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