

17TH SEPTEMBER 1885, No. 642, POLITICAL.

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THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,

5th Circle,

To

THE

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No. 73

9th April 1885.

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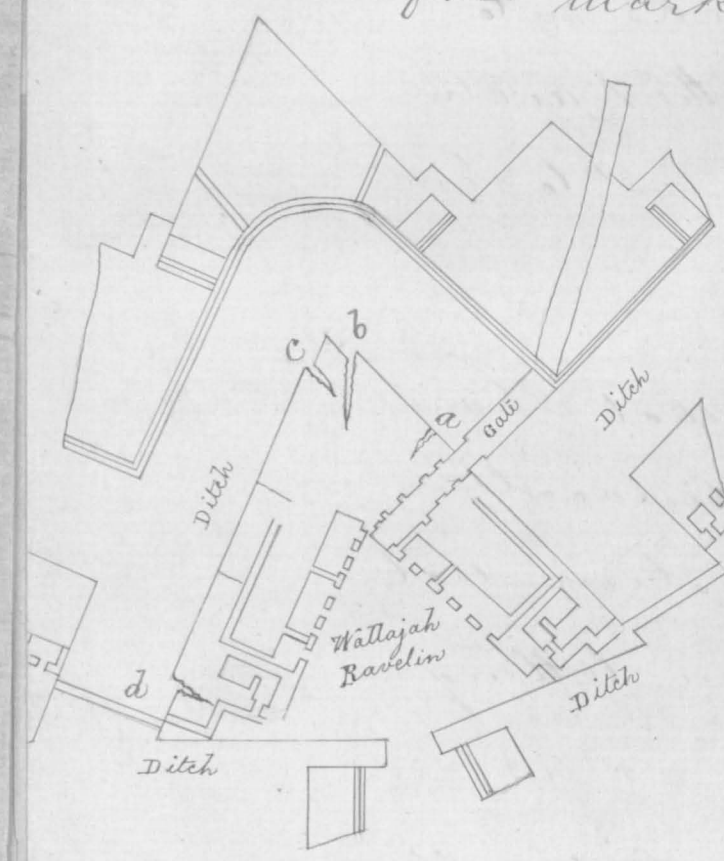


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The Superintending Engineer,
V. Circle.

Sir,

In reference to your endorsement
No. 4119 of 4 Feb 1885 to Lieut. Plummer,
on Chief Engineer's Memorandum No. 262
of 1 Aug/84 of same date, I have the honor to state
that Lieut. Plummer reports as
follows:—



"The crack referred to in the right
"face marked (a) on sketch in the mar-
"gin is an old crack; it
"was filled in about six
"years ago, and the escarp
"faced with brick in lime,
"but it opened out again
"in the following year, and
"has been gradually getting
"wider year by year and
"is now about 6" wide.
"Several attempts have been
"made to repair it, but to
"no effect as the whole of the mass of
"masonry (escarp wall) from this crack
"(a) to the large opening (b) has se-
"parated from the other portions, and
is

"is gradually sliding into the ditch.

"You (Col. Burton) were of opinion in December that nothing could be done to it, but directed the late Captain Hamilton to note its progress by a gauge which has recently been fixed in the Ditch."

"The salient from opening b to c seems to have stood all right, but the left face from c to d has moved out about $1\frac{1}{2}$ feet."

"From a to b right face, and c to d left face, a great quantity of earth has run through the cracks into the ditch, and the top of the Lavelin is full of large holes from 3' to 8' in depth."

To which I must add that I have long since observed the dislocation of these escarp walls in question, that no danger will arise from letting it alone; for even when, as is probable, they eventually slide off into the ditch the Gateway will not be injured and Bridge may not be so ^{at any rate not so} as to cause any accident.

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There is no remedy short of taking down and rebuilding the whole escarp from (a) round the salient angle to (d). The holes in the terreplein in the Lavelin 3' to 8' in depth have been ordered to be filled up ^{rammed} and kept filled from time to time, and the terreplein drained to the rear, merely to prevent rain water from getting behind the wall and from so increasing the outward pressure against it.

In view of the general approval given to the eventual demolition of all ^{the Outworks} of which this is one, I have of course taken no steps towards putting forward proposals for taking down and rebuilding this portion.

I have &c.

W. H. Burton Colonel R. G.

CN

N^o 4262

I believe no harm would be done, if the whole of the Ravelin, between the cracks, went down into the ditch. But the dislocation of the masonry is very gradual, and the outworks are likely to be pulled down, under the pressure given by the Government of India, before the walls come down of themselves.

Chas. S. Dyer

Superintending Engineer
5 Circle

14th February 1885

To

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P. W. Dept.

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" 2288 Wd/16.9.84

" 2622 Wd/4.2.85

377 Dd/13.2.

A reference has been made to the Suptg. Engr. office, but the information does not seem to be available there.

The Quarter Master General would know more about this perhaps than anybody else. Our records in Chas. do not go back far enough to throw any light on the question.

C.S.

24.3.85

I learn from the Mil. Secy that full information respecting the age of the various portions of Fort St. George is available in the Q. M. G.'s Office at Oot.

Reference should therefore be made to the Q. M. G.

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25.3.85

note

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 8th Oct/85

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 letter from the En. Engr. Presy No 5962 of 12.2.85
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I should like to
 have a note prepared
 showing how these outworks
 are built. They are obsolescent
 comparatively recent construction
 & no historical interest attached
 to them.

S.D. Circle

with estimate
 duly sent.

CU.

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