

N^o 181 Dd May 27th 1886.
J. W. Dept.

Memorandum.

With advertence
to his letter N^o 697
of 18th May 1886, the
Supty Engineer V Circle
is requested to ascertain
from Mr. Laminie
whether the contractor
Gooroonatha Pillai
agreed to accept the
reduced rate, Rupees
6 per thousand, for

N.B.—In any future communication on this subject, the number and date of this letter should be quoted.

No. 8th

From

THE EXAMINER,
PUBLIC WORKS ACCOUNTS,
MADRAS.

To

The Chief Engineer,
Public Works Department.

Madras, 10th April

1886.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith for your information and orders copies of the marginally noted corres-

This Office No. 257 S. E. 4th. dated 2nd. December 1885 to the Supg. Engineer, Nilgiri Division Executive Engineer's No. 2430 dated 22nd. December 1885 to the Supg. Engineer.
Supg. Engineer's No. ¹⁴_{Exp.} dated 11th. January 1886 to the Examiner P. W. Accts.
1 Original bill of Gooroonatha Pillay for Rs. 351 (to be returned).

Pondence relative
to a payment of
Rs. 50 made to a
brick contractor
in the Nilgiri
Division in

excess of the bill passed in his favor in January 1884 by Mr. Larmainie the then Executive Engineer.

2. The Executive Engineer states that he had authorized an offer of Rs. 50 being made to the Contractor on the condition of his signing the bill in the complete manner required, and that he was glad to be able to report that it had been done. The Superintending Engineer has sanctioned an Estimate for the payment under "Original Works Civil Buildings".

3. The case as a whole however seems to be one that requires your notice and I submit it accordingly. If the reasons assigned by Major Smith are considered sufficient to justify the action taken, the payment should be debited

the bricks supplied
by him.

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either to the works for which the bricks were specifically
purchased or to works in progress if obtained for general
purposes.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant,

D. C. Curran

Examiner P. W. Accounts.

forwarded to the
superintending Engineer
I think, for any amount
of labor... may have
to offer. He should
explain the circum-
stances under which
the bricks were used,
was reduced, and if
it was a record of
the bricks being inferior
why they were used
in the construction of
the building.

19-4-86

No. 15256 d/17th April 1886

Forwarded to the
Superintending Engineer,
V Circle, for any remarks
Mr Lammie may have
to offer. He should
explain the circum-
stances under which
the Contractor's claim
was reduced, and, if
it was on account of
the bricks being inferior,
why they were used
in the construction of
Govt buildings at Coota-
mund.

M. M. M. M.
Colonel R. E.

Chief Engr. P. W. D.

From,
The Examiner P. W. Accounts,
Madras.
To,
The Chief Engineer,
P. W. Department.

No. 8 W.

Dated 10 April 1886.

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Forwards certain corres-
pondence regarding the payment
of Rs. 50 to Gurnatha Pillay
brick contractor in the Nilgiri
Division for information and
orders.

Apr. 34/4.

19-4-86

D. P. W.

No. "

SOUTH ARCOT DIVISION
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER'S OFFICE
CAMP Coota-mund
8th May 1886.

FROM

THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER,

TO

SOUTH ARCOT DIVISION.

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,

5TH CIRCLE.

SIR,

ENCLOSURES.

With reference to your
No 323 of 20th ultimo, for-
warding for my explanation,
the Chief Engineer's endorse-
ment No 1225 C of 17th April
1886, I have the honor to
state that the Contractor's
rate, for the bricks he made
on Stone-house Hill, was
reduced to Rs 6, as the
bricks were not as good as
they might have been and
compared with market
rates then prevailing this

this rate was enough, a better course would perhaps have been, to have withheld the deposit money, & reserved for non satisfactory performance of work.

2. The bricks were inferior, as were all other bricks in Cota command at the time; but they answered very well for their intended purpose, i.e. construction of the various latrines and lines then in progress. I have delayed replying to the reference until I had an opportunity of inquiring into the circumstances on the spot.

3. The original enclosures are returned.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obed^t servant.

/Signed/ J. C. Laminie
Executive Engineer

No. 2087

"True Copy"

Enc. 6.

South West S^d Office
Cuddalore 14th May 1875.

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Whisper
Assistant Engineer
In charge of South West D^y

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D. P. W. 15586

FROM

The Executive Engineer

South Arcot Division.

No. 208

Dated

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Received.

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May

1886

ENCLOSURES 6

Mr J. C. Larmine Esq.
Engineer - Forwarding
true copy of letter of the
8 May 1886 from -
explaining the circum-
stances which a contract
or in the Nilgiri
Division was paid
in excess.

No. 697

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

5TH CIRCLE, Madras,

Madras, 18 May 1886.

From

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER.

5TH CIRCLE,

To

THE

Chief Engineer
P. W. Department

SIR,

Enclosures. 6

In returning your endorsement
No. 1525 C, dated 17 April 1886, I have the
honour to forward a copy of Mr.
Larmine's letter dated 8 May 1886
explaining the grounds upon which the
rate for the bricks supplied by the
Contractor Gooroonatha Pillay was
reduced by Mr. Larmine from
Rs 7-8-0 to Rs 6-0-0 per 1000.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your most Obedt. Servt.

Wharton

for Mr.

Supy Engineer's Office.

No 15-25C. 17.4.86

From
THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
5TH CIRCLE,

To
THE Chief Engineer,
P. W. D.

Dated 18th } May 1886
Recd. 19 }

ENCLOSURES. 6

No. 181 Dd May 27. 1886

No. 697
Government Buildings
at Cotacamund.

Forwards copy of
Mr. Lammie's letter
explaining the grounds
upon which the rate
for the bricks supplied
by Contractor Govoromath
Poley to
was reduced by Mr.
Lammie from Rs 7-8-0
to Rs 6-0-0.

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According to
Mr Lammie the
rate originally
paid was sufficient
as the bricks were
inferior though
suited for the
peon's lines, latrines
etc for which they
were required.
It would therefore
have been advis-
able had E. E.
Nilgiris comd. with
Mr L. before offering
the Contractor the
additional 50 Rs.
as the money has
been paid the only
question is to what
it shall be charged.

In his letter Mr.
Lammie does not say
if the Contractor agreed
to accept the reduced rate
for bricks.

It seems the Con-
tractor agreed to supply
bricks at a certain rate
and it was an arbitrary
proceeding on the part of
the Engrs to accept
these bricks and pay a
reduced rate for them,
they should either have
been rejected altogether
or else an agreement
should have been taken
from the Contractor stating
that he was willing to
accept the lep rate.

The Engrs Nilgiri
Division should not
have paid the Contractor
the

the additional Rs. 50/-
till he had ascertained from
the Q. Engineer who had
withheld it why he had
done so.

The cost of the bricks
should be debited to the
work or works for which
they were purchased.

[Signature]
2/5/86
D.W.

W. Larmine should be
asked to report whether the
Contractor agreed to accept
the reduced rate.

[Signature]
25.5.86

*note by Mr
for his orders*

From

Cotacamund 9th June 1886

J. B. Larmine Esq
Executive Engineer

To

The Superintending Engineer
S. H. G. G. G.

Sir

With reference to your No.
880 of the 3rd Instant to the Executive
Engineer South Arcot Division, I
have the honor to state that the
rate according to the Agreement made
with Surumatha Pillai was Rs. 7 per
1000 bricks. As security for the
satisfactory performance of the work,
Rupees 100 were reserved. This sum
might have been withheld under the
terms of the agreement - instead
the reduced rate as paid was
at the time considered a more
suitable way of dealing with the
case.

2. Inasmuch as, the Contractor
accepted the Cheque and signed
the Receipt, he agreed to the re-
duced rate and not until
later

later on, when he was requested
to acknowledge the words, "im-
mediate payment of all demands"
did it occur to him that he
might make difficulties

3. In my opinion, he should
not have been paid the addi-
tional Rupees 50 given him by
Major Smith. As it entirely
lay with the Executive Engineer
to furnish him for indifferent work,
and if this power be not recog-
nized and enforced where
necessary, the drawing up of
Contract and piece work
Agreements will become a mere
matter of useless routine.

I have &c.
P. J. C. Carmine
Executive Engr.
True copy

No 265.

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14 June 1886

/S/ J. W. Ashpitel.

Offg. Ex. Engr. of

Supt. &c.

No 1263

Forwarded to the Chief
Engineer P.W. Department
with reference to his Memo-
randum No 181 D dated 27th
May 1886.

W. H. Ashpitel

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18 June 1886

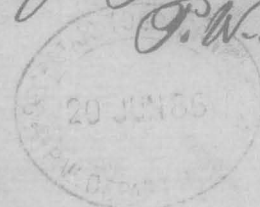
John P. C.
Superintending Engineer
S. Circle.

From Mr. 484

The Supt. Engineer
5th Circle

To

The Chief Engineer
P.W.D.



Dated 18th } June 1886
Received 24 }

N^o 1263

No. 1625 Wd/25-6-86

Contractor Gootanatha
Pillai - Forwards copy
of Mr. Lammie's letter
regarding the rate of bricks
supplied by -

Orig. 103/86

No. 1625 W.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 25 June 1886

Read the following

From the Examiner of P.W. Auto. H^o N^o 8 W. dy 10.4.86.

From the Supt. Engineer, 5th Circle, " N^o 697 dy 18.5.86.

Do - do - N^o 1263. dy 9.6.86.

Mr. Lammie's
letter of 8th May and 9 June
1886, will be communicated
to the Supt. Engineer, 5th Circle,
The Executive Engineer, Indragiri
Division, should not have
made the payment to the
Contractor without first
ascertaining Mr. Lammie's
reasons for reducing the
rate for the bricks supplied.

2. The payment will now be
debited to the works for which
the bricks were purchased;

3. The Supt. Eng^r 5th Circle, or to works in progress, if
Examiner P.W. Auto. obtained for general purposes.
with 4 enclosure.

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No. 1625 W. d. 25 June 1886

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