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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following

From the Public Works Department, dated 21st
November 1885 No 2786 ix.

From the Master Attendant, Madras, dated 6th
December 1885 No 10875.

In reply to reference No 2003, dated
November 24th 1885, I have the honor to state
that Mr. Thoroughgood is quite right in
repudiating any professional opinion of his
on the matter of the Coronado Croquis. In
my letter No 8324, dated October 6th last, I
explained that from careful enquiry into the
financial position of the extension work,
I felt convinced that economy should be
exercised as much as possible, and the idea
occurred to me of utilizing the method
proposed by Sir J. Hawkshaw's Committee
of keeping in order the rubble base of the
Madras work by concrete aprons in bags,
in lieu of the very heavy stone proposed by
the Engineer of the Godavari District, or
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the concrete blocks first suggested and approved by the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department. Mr Baker at my request visited Mr Thoroughgood, who described these aprons fully to him, and as Government had, in L.O. No. 391 Marine, dated 17 September 1885, directed me to put myself in communication with the Canada Committee on the subject of stone, I wrote to Mr Bryce saying that a new light had been thrown on the subject by Mr Thoroughgood's explanation of the facility with which such aprons could be made. I did not enter into further explanation being very busy at the time. Mr Baker went up by that day's steamer, and would have furnished Mr Bryce with full particulars, but the Committee refused to hear him, and so far as I understand resigned their functions, pending some reference to Government as to their powers. But a complete mistake has occurred owing to my misuse of the term "advice and opinion" and Mr Thoroughgood's kind intention of explaining a technical detail likely

likely to be of much practical importance to this Department must not be misunderstood. It would be an error I could never be led into to seek professional advice directly without orders of Government. It seems to me that these aprons are exactly suited to the wants of Coonada, and might advantageously be substituted for the heavy stone or blocks of concrete.

Order thereon 30th December 1885 No. 565

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(True Extract)

J. N. Thoroughgood

Under Secretary

To.

The Public Works Department.

" Master Attendant

" F. N. Thoroughgood Esq.^{re}

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