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the work and recommended certain alterations. In the absence of Captain Baddeley, (away on furlough) who would have been the proper person to reply, as the work was carried out under his superintendence, I replied to the report refuting the objections and pointing out the inadvisability of some of the proposed alterations. A few of the alterations were however carried out; as for instance the substitution of tiles for Bengal terracing in the roof. The Secretary subsequently informed me that, acting on the advice of Col. Burton, the Directors refused to refund my security money or pay the final bills.

I submit that the action of the Directors was unjust. The work was carried out according to the plan and specification with such modifications as were ordered from time to time; it was all done under the superintendence of their own Engineer (Capt. Baddeley) and to his satisfaction. I cannot be held responsible for it that another Engineer differed from him in opinion. If this principle were to obtain, every contractor or professional man might be swindled out of his dues by his clients
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arranging with a friend to advise him
not to pay them. I had nothing to do
with the appointment either of Capt.
Baddley or Col. Burton in the matter:
they were the Directors own nominees.

The Directors can afford to be
indifferent to any suing the Government
for the recovery of the money as the ex-
penses of their side will not come out
of their pockets: but I cannot address
the law from this strong position. I
pray therefore that His Excellency the
Governor will consider the case and
pass orders upon it.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most Obedt Servt.

W. Thompson

Civil Engineer

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CURRENT No 309

DEPARTMENT

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

No 2475

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 28th January/87

Read the following



N:
Transferred
to the Public
Works Dept.

From

A. D. Thompson Esq
Civil Engineer
Bangalore

Letter from Mr. A. D. Thompson
Civil Engineer

dated 20th December/86

No 247 W of 28th Jan Endorsement by the Public Dept dated 15th January 1887



No.

Dated 20th
Received 21st } December/86
Enclosures 17-87

SUBJECT.

Complaining that the Directors
of the L. A. Press in Madras
wrongfully withhold Rs 2377-7
due to him for building work
done for them on the premises
in the Mount Road.

The Government must
decline to interfere between
the Directors of the Lawrence
Asylum Press and the
contractor employed by
them.

2. If Mr. Thompson
considers himself aggrieved
he must seek his remedy
in the law courts.

To Mr. A. D. Thompson
The Public Dept
(Chief Secy for favour
of counter-initials)
Dec 28th 1887

19.1.87

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With Endorsement

W.S. Meyer
Asst. Secy

Fort St. George
January 1887