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No. 57

From,

G. P. Carless Esq.

Executive Engineer,

No. II, Periar Division.

SUPG: ENGINEER'S OFFICE
No. 5581
16 JAN. 92
P.W.D.
SIXTH CIRCLE.

To,

The Supg. Engineer

VIº Circle

Station Madura

Dated 15 }
Despatched 15 } January 92
Enclosures 2 }

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for your orders a letter received from Mr Ellis reporting the loss of Rs 807-[illegible]-2

The money was the pay of the Establishment in the A Sub. Dn for Decr last (list enclosed)

On receipt of Mr Ellis' letter on the 12th Instant I immediately wrote to the Superintendent of Police but have not

not received a reply. When it arrives it will be forwarded to you.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
J. McCarliss
Executive Engr.
No 2 Povor Dn.

P.W. 494/92

Establishment Salary of A. Sub Dn. for December 1891.

	Rs - A - P.
Mr. J. W. H. Ellis —	521-4-8
Sub condr. R. Fryer —	158-11-4
M. Strinivasagam pillai, Overseer	80-0-0
Kaja meah lascar	4-10-4
Gudamean Do	6-0-0
Dyrium - Do	4-13-5
Amir Bacha - Do	6-0-0
Muthusamy - Do	6-0-0
Michaelsamy pillai	17-8-0
Venkatachelum pillai	17-8-0
Sheik Mustan - Mys.	6-0-0
Arunachela gavundan	4-0-0
Total	832-7-9.
Deduct Income tax de paid in cash	25-5-7.
Net amount of Cheque	807-2-2.

L. J. Jenner Esqr.
Accountant

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Whole Thing "&c".

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SUPG. ENGINEER'S OFFICE
No 2/55B
18 JAN. 92
P.W.D.
SIXTH CIRCLE

No. 605 PR

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OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
6TH CIRCLE.

Trichinopoly, 16th January 1892

D 16/-

From W. Hughes, Esqr.
The Superintending Engineer,
6TH CIRCLE.

To
The Chief Engineer,
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

ENCLOSURES. 3
1. Exe. Engr's letter Nos 57/15-1-92 with its
2. Encls.

SIR,

I have the honor to enclose for your orders, a letter, No. 57 d/15th Jany. 1892, from the Executive Engineer No. II Periyar division, reporting the loss of Rs 809-2-2 drawn from the Madura Treasury for the payment of Salaries of Hony. Assistant Engineer Mr. Ellis and his subordinates. Mr. Ellis accompanied the Executive Engineer and myself on our inspection of works on the 8th & 9th instant, but made no mention of the loss and it was not until the 12th that the Executive Engineer heard anything of it. As to the steps taken to recover the money there is no information beyond what is contained in Mr. Ellis' report in which he does not state at what time the Police were informed of what had occurred. The Police Superintendent does not think it at all likely that any of the money will be recovered.

2 - I do not think Mr. Ellis can claim to have the loss of his own salary made good as the cheque was drawn in his name, and the receipt of it acknowledged - there is this only to be said that as the salaries of his subordinates were included in the cheque he was not at liberty to wait until he was near the Treasury before sending it to be cashed -

3. In regard to the salaries of the Subordinates - Mr. Ellis was merely an intermediary in making the payments & would be in no way responsible for the loss if he had taken reasonable precautions. He has four or five Lascars and messengers, all temporary men and should certainly have sent two to the Treasury especially as he must have known that the money could not be brought him the same day it was drawn - the man sent to the Treasury has a house at Sholavandan and it was presumably to this house that the money was taken for the night - What happened afterwards is involved in mystery the men so as the man is reported to have called for letters the following morning at the post office -

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4 - Although I consider Mr. Ellis to blame I recommend that he be not held responsible for the loss of his subordinates salaries which amount to about Rs 300 - I have instructed the Executive Engineer to pay this money and not to pay Mr. Ellis until the orders of Government are received -

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obed^t. Serv^t.
W Hughes
Supdg: Engineer 6 Circle

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P. W. CURRENT No. 4910

P. W. D. 6TH CIRCLE.

From
The Superintending Engineer,
6th Circle.

To
THE CHIEF ENGINEER,
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

No. 605 PR

Dated 16
" 16
Received
} January 1892

Enclosures. 3.

Submits for orders letter from the Exec: Engr No 2 Periyar Dn reporting the loss of Rs 807.2.2 drawn from the Madura Treasury for the payment of salaries of Asst Engr Mr Ellis & his subordinates –

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Letter No 961 of 16 January 1892, from Mr J. W. H. Ellis, Assistant Engineer to the Executive Engineer, No II Periyar division.

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Refce: His letter No $\frac{944}{10-1-92}$ & $\frac{958}{15-1-92}$.

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In continuation to the above, I have the honor to report that my lascar Gudumeah, brings information from Sholavandan, received from the Police Constable, that the run away lascar has been captured at Dindigul –

Same reported to be in time 28.1.92

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True Copy forwarded to the Superintending Engineer 6 Circle for information in continuation of this Office No 57, of 15-1-92.

(By order)

S. Gopaul Iyer.
Accountant
Executive Engr's office
No II Periyar Dn

Camp Mellupatty
Dt 18-1-92
Do 18/-

Copy

No. 611PR d/ 19th January 1092
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Copy submitted to the Chief Engineer, D.P.W., in continuation of this office No. 605PR/16-1-92

W Hughes
Suptg Engineer Civil

P. W. CURRENT ~~No~~ 5-93

From

The Supt. Engineer
Circle

To

The Chief Engineer
DPW.

No. 611 PR
Dated 19 }
Despd— 19 } January/91

Recd: 21-1-92

Loss of Money:

Forwards letter from the Exec Engr reporting that the runaway lascar has been captured at Dindigul.

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Copy of letter from Mr. J. W. H. Ellis the Officer in charge of A. Sub-Division, to the Executive Engineer, No. 2 Periyar Dn., No. 958 d/ 15th January 1892. Camp Mattaparai.

Reference—Mine No. 944 d/ 10-1-92.

In continuation to the above reporting the loss of Rs 807-2-2 on cheque No. 20 of 4-1-92 I have the honor to report as follows— This cheque was received by me at Peranai on 6th afternoon was then endorsed and made over to Lascar Rajah Meah, who left at 3. P. M. en-route to Madura. He appears to have cashed the cheque on the 7th and returned to Sholavandan by the evening train arriving there at 4.45. P. M. He could not come on to Peranai at once as night would overtake him on the way; he therefore stayed in Sholavandan for the night. Next day 8th his people tell me he got my post letters from the post-office and left for Peranai via Natchikolam. All this information was obtained from personal inquiries afterward;

afterwards. I looked out for him on the 8th till 3. P.m. and finding Kajah Meah not come I sent lascar Gudumeah to Sholavandan with my tapals as usual and directed him to make inquiries for the other man; he returned to me, to Vadipati after having gone to Mattaparai for me on 9th. I remained for half the day on Mr Fryer's works after the Supdt. Engineer's inspection that day. The inquiries and information obtained by Gudumeah were conflicting and I had to send him again with two other men Amir batcha, Mr Fryer's lascar and a head cooly Arianan. These returned to me to Mattaparai on 10th morning with full particulars as given above. I then reported the matter to the following Officers. 1. Supdt. of Police Madura, 2. Inspectors of Police Dindigul, 3 Nellakotta and 4 Sholavandan, also to Railway Police Officers 5. S.I.R and 6 M.R.C. and 7 to Supdt. City Police Madras, 8 Inspectors of Police Negapatam 9 Tuticorin and 10 Salem. I also
sent

sent off Amirbatcha and watchman Chinnadevan to Dindigul, as I learned the run away man had his wife there. on the 11th night I received information that the man had gone to Dindigul and my men traced him to Kannivadi and Thettupatti west of Dindigul. on this I went to Sholavandan on the 12th, took the head constable and went to Dindigul saw the Inspector of Police there and gave him full particulars and instructions and returned to Sholavandan 13th at 6.30. P.m. The head constable went on to Kannivadi and made his own inquiries returning to Sholavandan this morning with the information that the man is not to be found, but brings his brother from there, as the head constable reports, he also is mixed up in the matter. The Inspector of Police Madura, who has charge of Sholavandan, came to see me this morning and obtained further instructions from me. He appears to think that the man is in Madura after all, but promises to do his
best

best in the case. I have also written to the Special detective officer Abdul Subhan Saib for his help. I shall keep you acquainted with whatever happens.

(True copy)

A L Smith Lt Coll R.E.
Supdg Engineer, 6th Circle
27-1-92

Copy of letter from Mr J. W. H. E
officer in Charge of A. Sub-Divis
to the Executive Engineer, No. II Peri
Division, dated 23-1-92, camp
Methupatti.

In reply to your No. 107 dated 20-1-92 received 22.1.92 on the Superintending Engineer's No. 606. P.R dated 16-1-92 forwarding copy of his letter No. 605. P.R dated 16-1-92 to the Chief Engineer, I have the honor to explain as follows:—

2. My letter No. 958 dated 15.1.92 shows in detail all the information I have been able to glean regarding the loss of Rs 807-2-2. I now therefore enter into the objections raised b the Suptg Engineer regarding my own connection with this transacti

3. I accompanied the Suptg E and Ex: Engr on the 8th and 9t and only suspected this loss on t evening of the 8th by the lascar no coming in, with the cash; I coul not give any information to eith

of

e above officers, on the 9th, as
left them at 10-30 A.m that day;
nd it was then too premature, to
decide upon any conjecture. My
lascars have sometimes stayed more
than 2 days in Madura, delayed
in cashing cheques. I thought some
such circumstance occurred, to
detain this man. Cholera was pre-
valent in Madura, at the time,
and in consultation with Mr Dwyer,
we thought the man may have
taken ill with it. And to make
this sure I sent a man to Madura
to inquire on the 9th. A lascar
Gudumeah also on 9th at 11. A.m.
brought news that the relatives of
the missing lascar were crying, that
he may have been killed, on his
way to Peranai, via right bank of
the river, a lonely road. This had
to be investigated, and the parties
sent for this purpose, returned to
me on 10th morning with the news,
that no traces of such a crime
could be obtained; and they then
mentioned

mentioned t the man was seen, a
one, going on a cart past Natchikol
I had to sift all these various stor
and report the matter on the 10th to t
Exe: Engr. I could not have done i
a day earlier. My letter on this subj
dated 10th was posted the same day
at Sholavandan, the nearest posttown
and this reached the Exe: Engr on
the 12th at Kallandry. The steps take
to recover the money or to capture
the man, are also mentioned in
mine No 958 dated 15.1.92 and are
as under. I reported the matter
to the following officers 1. Exe: Engr,
2. Superintendent of Police, Madura,
3. Inspectors of Police Madura,
Dindigul, Nellakota, Tuticorin,
Negapatam, Salem, 4. Station offic
Sholavandan, Kannivadi, 5. Super
tendent City Police Madras, 6. Police
Officers S.I.R. and M.R.C. And I
sent two men on the 10th to Dindiga
to follow the run-away, as I was
told he went there to his wife's hou
These men Chinna Devan and Ami
Batcha traced him to Kannivadi
and

rretupatti and requested the
head constable of Kannivadi, to arrest
the man, as they were certain he was
there. This the head constable refused
to do without a warrant from his
own officers. I was then applied to
for a letter, which I sent to the Police
Station officer Kannivadi. In the
meantime the man was lost sight of.
The Police alluded to above were
informed of this, on the 10th. I
further learned that he drew 4
Currency Notes of Rs 100 each. I obtained
their numbers and reported them
to all officers alluded to above.

4. As regards my claim
to have the loss of my salary made
good, I leave to my superiors and
to Government to decide. I did
not acknowledge the receipt of
the cash on the back of the cheque
but endorsed it "Please pay to
lascar Kajameah". It is usual to
issue separate cheques for salaries
to 1, me; to 2, Mr Fryer; 3 to the Overseer
Peranai &c. On this occasion it was
unfortunately drawn in lump.
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My nearest point to the Treasury i
at Sholavandan, 12 miles; and it is not
usual for me or for any officer, to go
himself cheque in hand to the Treasury
for cash. It is usually sent by a lascar
who on this occasion was a Government
Servant. I did not think it necessary
to send two men as Kajah meah is an
old servant appointed long before
my time, 2½ years. He has brought me
thousands of rupees during these 2½ years,
and more so during the tenure of my
predecessor 2 years. The man comes from
a respectable family, has a brother as
lascar under me, who happened at
this time to be away on leave to Bangalore
on substitute. His people possess
lands and a mosque, in Sholavandan,
lands and property in Dindigul,
and bazaars in Kannivadi. I trusted
him so implicitly as the giving in his
charge a cheque for Rs 807-2-2, Rs 509
of which were my own, would show.
I have now these 30 years and more
sent cheques of various values, by single
men and only on this occasion have
I come to grief. I will further state
that no officer to my knowledge, sends
men

more than one lascar to cash his salary cheque. Both the Suptg Engineer and Ex: Engr more highly paid than I, can give their usual procedure as to whether more than one man is sent by them. I have always been a careful man with Government and my own cash, and property and the Ex: Engr will I am sure testify to this; my exemption from loss for these 30 years prove it. The Suptg Engineer is in error regarding the number of lascars I have. There are 4 attached to the Sub-Division and at the time I had only 3, one man Diriam, having resigned on the 5th January. Of the 3 I sent one for cash, one for tappal and one remained with me on duty and I was then engaged with the Ex: Engr and Suptg Engineer or I would have gone to Sholavandan to await the arrival of the man that evening 7th as I usually do on such occasions. The man returning from the Treasury comes to my house in Sholavandan, when I am there, or sleeps in its verandah. This man had evidently gone to his own house, a very safe place, he has both his parents and two adult brothers for protection. What happened afterwards have all been explained in my reports. The man bringing cash always calls at the Post office Sholavandan and brings my tappal, this is the rule.

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5. In these circumstances now explained I request the Suptg Engr will take a more favorable view of my case, especially as it was not Government money that was so lost and that the Ex: Engineer will be so good as to report favorably in my behalf and that the same consideration be shewn me, as is now done to the other Subordinates concerned. This is really an unforeseen misfortune which I regret.

No 120.

Forwarded in original to the Suptg Engineer for favorable consideration together with Mr. Ellis' No 958 d/ 15th inst. Any further information of the missing money will

in original

will be immediately reported.

(signed) G. P. Carless
Ex: Engineer
No. 2. Periyar Dn.

Camp.
Mettupatty
23rd January/92.
Encl: 1.

No. 620 PR d/27th January 1892
o 27/-

Copies submitted to the Chief Engineer, D. P. W. for favorable consideration with reference to his No. 364. C dated 23rd January 1892. It will be seen that all the questions contained in that No. are answered by Mr. Ellis in the foregoing letter.

Encl: 1
Copy of Mr. Ellis
No. 958.
15.1.92

2. With reference to this office No. 611. PR. dated 19th January /92 the Chief Engineer is informed that Mr. Ellis in a letter d/ 17th idem has since reported that he sent a temporary lascar to Dindigul to ascertain whether the absconded lascar was there, but that the former returned on the morning of the 17th and reported that the information to the effect that the latter had been captured was false. It would thus appear that the whereabout of the run-away lascar is not known.

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3. The undersigned thinks it hard that an officer should lose his pay in this manner. There appears to be no standing order regarding two lascars being sent when cheques are required to be cashed and Mr. Ellis used all ordinary precautions.

A. Smith Lieut Col.
Supdg. Engineer,

P. W. CURRENT No. 850

Hm

From

The Supdg. Engineer
VI circle.

To

The Chief Engineer
P W D

No. 620 PR

Dated 27
Despd. 27 } January 1892

Recd: 28.1.92

Encls 1.

Loss of money:-

Submits for favour-
ble consideration letter
rom Mr. Ellis reporting
in detail about the ~~[illegible]~~

For

For orders
in continuation of the
previous reports.

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I don't think Mr Ellis W
can be blamed, but think orders
had better be deferred until the
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible]
as [illegible] [illegible]

OVB
28.1.92

[illegible]

Hm. 29-1-92

C No. 59

31/1/14

Mr. Ellis should
surely have
communicated with
(1) the Police as soon
as the loss was
discovered. As
the lascar was sent
on the 7th he should
certainly have
reported the non
arrival of the
lascar on the 8th.
on the 8th — The papers
should I think go to the
C.E. for orders

OVCS
19.1.92

Yes. Write note in
the above sense —

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19.1

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(1) It would appear from
Mr. Ellis' letter of 10 Jany
that he did commu-

nicate with the Police. He does not state when he did so, and it is this omission that the S.E. notices. The note for orders is modified accordingly.

R.S.
20.1.92

P.W.D.

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No 605 P.R. d/ 16.1.92

611 P.R. d/ 19.1.92

ders

It is stated in the first letter quoted above that the lascar was sent on the 7th instant to cash the cheque and that no report of the loss of the money reached the Executive Engineer till the 12th, and that although Mr Ellis was in the company of the Executive and Supdg Engineer on inspection duty on the 8th & 9th he made no mention of the loss.

It would appear from Mr Ellis' letter of the 10th that he reported the loss to the Police, but when he did so, he does not mention. The probability is that it was not till the 10th that the report to the Police was made.

The subsequent communication read

P. W. CU[illegible]ENT No. 880

From

The Supdg. Engineer
VI circle.

To

The Chief Engineer
P W D

No 620 PR

Dated 27 }
Despd. 27 } January 189

Recd. 28.1.92

Encls 1.

Loss of money:-

Submits for favo
le consideration lette
om Mr Ellis reporting
in detail about the

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above reports the capture
of the lascar, but
says nothing about
the recovery of the
money

OWB
21.1.92

R.B.
Hon 21-1-9

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From the S.E. VI Circle
—— do ——

For Or

Mr. Ellis should explain why
he took no steps on the 8th & with
reference to the other explanations noted
by the S.E.

22 Jan

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No

Memorandum

From the S.E. VI Circle No 605 P.R. of 16.1.92
—— do —— do 6[illegible] P.R. of 19.1.92

The letters quote
above report the loss
a sum of Rs 807:2:2 be
the proceeds of a cheq
sent by Mr Ellis to be
cashed by a lascar
the 7th January.
Mr Ellis was with the
Engineer and
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made no mention
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[illegible] be called on
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when it was that h
reported the loss to
Police. He should als
explain why he did
take the precauti
of sending a secon
lascar with the cheque, seeing that t
money could not b

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FOR ORDERS.

No. 312 [illegible] 25th January 1892

S. E. VI Circle ✓

Issue W

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From orders

No. 312 W. [illegible] 2/2/92

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

READ the following

From the S. E. VI Circle H. E. No. 605 P.R. d/ 16th Jany. 1892.
— do — do — H. E. No. 611 P.R. d/ 19th Jany. 92
— do — do — H. E. No. 620 P.R. d/ 27th Jany. 92

These letters refer to the loss of a sum of Rs 807-2-2 being the proceeds of a cheque sent by Honorary Assistant Engineer Mr. Ellis to be cashed by a lascar on the 7th January 1892. The lascar absconded with the money and has not yet been captured. The action of the Supg. Engineer directing the repayment of so much of the amount as represents the salary of the Establishment under Mr. Ellis is

appro

approved, pending final orders which will be passed when the Lascar has been taken or the pursuit abandoned as fruitless.

OWB
1.2.92

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No 312 Wd/2nd Februa
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To

The S.E. 5/VI Circle
Esc D.W. Clect

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T.C. 3/2