

From

The Superintending Engineer  
Fifth Circle

To  
The Chief Engineer  
P. W. Department

4-4-1871 No 996  
20-3-95 No 266 J  
13-2-94 No 390 W  
24-1-94 No 220 W  
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Recd: 22.3.95

Dated 20<sup>th</sup> } March 1895  
Recd.

No. 785 W. d. 28 March 1895

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Sist. V. M.

The Superintending Engineer

With report upholding the  
Subdivisional Officer for  
the precautions prescribed in  
G.O. No 956 dated 4<sup>th</sup> April 1871

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No 94 W.

Subject -

Reporting the occurrence  
of - of bomb No 283-b-b.  
from Camp of Mr Macalister  
Sub Divisional Officer Moul-  
on the 4<sup>th</sup> February 1895.

with disposal

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To The Suptg Engrs & Circle  
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No. 1701 E of  $\frac{4}{7}$  February 1895

From the Sub-Divisional Officer, Mount

To the Executive Engineer, Chingleput Division.

Sir,

I beg to inform you that I was encamped in the compound of the Forest Shed at Periakuppam, Tiruvallur Railway Station, (where there is a Forest guard and it is also the duty of the village servants to patrol the place at night to prevent thefts). On the morning of this date at about 2 O'clock, I awoke and found thieves in my tent, but unfortunately too late to prevent my office box being carried away in which I had Government cash as follows:-

Rs 249. 5. 6 sale proceeds of Tamarind produce on Kumbakal Channel remitted by overseer Conjevaram and Rs 4. 1. 0 remitted by my clerk being balance after making Bazaar purchases or in all Rs 283. 6. 6; besides this there was about Rs 50 of my own in the box.

As part of my camp and servants had started the previous evening for my next camp, I had only one Peon, a Bandyman, and a horse Keeper in camp at the time of the occurrence but as the present nights are very dewy and cold these had taken shelter in various places but I was not long in collecting them and on ascertaining these of what had occurred, they unanimously declared it to be the work of the brother of the Forest Guard who had been hanging about the place the whole of the previous day and until 11 P.M. at night when he started watering the garden, I at once sent two men to his house but he was absent, but two Koravers or habitual thieves who are present lodging in the same house were there, my two messengers were then at 2.30 A.M. sent to inform the Police and at about 5 O'clock two Police corporals arrived but

could

Could not search the accused's house as the village Munsiff was residing 2 miles off and had to be sent for, about 6-30 or 6-45 my office box was found broken open in field with all my papers tossed about and all cash missing. The house of the accused was subsequently searched but nothing was found, he and his two associates however were arrested on suspicion and relieved later on. Supt. Phelan was sleeping in the Forest Shed but came to my tent soon after the occurrence.

Later in the morning Sergeant Phelan's servant informed his master that during the previous day he had bought two fowls off the accused which were now declared to have been stolen and were identified and claimed by the owner, at this stage I had to leave in order to give evidence in the 2<sup>d</sup> class Magistrate's Court at Straperambudur, but instructed Sergeant Phelan to communicate with the Police again, and I have just received a note from him to say that on the theft of the fowls being proved against the Forest Guard's brother, he also admitted the theft of my office box and named three accomplices, two of whom are in custody but the 3<sup>d</sup> has absconded to Madras.

As in the 1<sup>st</sup> instance the accused was stated to have been relieved on the representation of his own grandfather (head peon to the Tahsildar of Tiruvallur) that the accused is of unsound mind. I beg that the Supt. of Police may be requested to direct the Inspector to give this case his attention.

I beg to be

Signed - R. W. Macalister

Subd. Officer

(True Copy)

M. J. Cudiah Chetty - Manager

Exec. Engineer's Office

No 3811 of 18<sup>th</sup> February 1895

From - D. Marshall Esquire, Exec. Engineer,  
Chingleput Division.

To - The Supg. Engineer, Circle,

Sir,

I have the honour to report with reference to para 111 ch + volume I of the Code that Government cash amounting to Rs 283-6-6 was stolen from the Mount Sub-Divisional officer's Camp at Periakuppam in the Tiruvallur Taluk on the night of the 4<sup>th</sup> instant at 2 a.m. and a report of the same has been made to the Police Superintendent.

A copy of the Sub-Divisional officer's letter on the subject is herein enclosed for your information and the result of the enquiry will be communicated to you as soon as I hear about it from the Police.

I have instructed the Sub-Divisional officer to debit the amount in question to Miscellaneous advances pending the result of the enquiry into the case.

The attention of the Sub-Divisional Officer has also been drawn to para 42 Chapter I Volume II of the Code regarding the mixing up of his private cash with the Government cash.

The Sub-Division officer has again reported that 1 Plotting scale (Box wood) decimally divided and 1 duplicate Key of Iron safe (Cash Box) were also stolen - this was also reported to the Police.

I have &c

- Sd - D. Marshall

Exec. Engineer

No 13 C u of 21 February 1895

His No 3811 of 18<sup>th</sup> February 1895

The Executive Engineer is requested to report

when the Sub Divisional officer received the money  
in question and whether he adopted any precautions  
as to the security of his office box and also why the  
money was not at once remitted to the Treasury a  
couple of miles away.

- Sd - J. C. Laminie  
Supg. Engr. V Circle

N<sup>o</sup> 1889 E of 5 March 1895

From the Sub Divisional Officer Mount

To - the Executive Engineer Chingleput Dist.

Sir,  
With reference to your endorsement N<sup>o</sup> <sup>3944</sup>/<sub>28.2.95</sub>  
on S.E.S N<sup>o</sup> <sup>13cu</sup>/<sub>c</sub> dy 21<sup>st</sup> February 1895, I beg to in-  
form you that I received the money from Mr.  
Briant in camp on the 29<sup>th</sup> January 1895 and  
expected to be at Head Quarters on the 1<sup>st</sup> February;  
but on the 31<sup>st</sup> January I received a summons from  
the 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Magistrate at Stripperambuthur to  
attend his Court to give evidence on the 4<sup>th</sup> Feb-  
ruary 1895, so as I had no work to inspect at  
Stripperambuthur in the interval I moved my camp  
to Perakuppam to inspect works in progress on  
Ruwan off tanks until 3<sup>rd</sup> February, otherwise the  
money would have been remitted into the Saidapet  
Treasury earlier. I was unable to remit the money  
into any Treasury while in camp as my clerk remains  
at Head Quarters where the Treasury remittance

book and Chellan forms are also kept.

The money was kept in my office box and the  
latter was kept close by the head of my cot.

I beg to

- Sd - R. W. Mac Clister

(True copy)

- Sd - J. Condrick Chetty - Manager  
Sec: Engr's Office

N<sup>o</sup> 4140 of 16<sup>th</sup> March 1895

From D. Marshall Esquire

Executive Engineer Chingleput Dist.

To - The Supg. Engineer, V Circle,

Sir,

With reference to your Memo N<sup>o</sup> <sup>13cu</sup>/<sub>c</sub>  
dy 21<sup>st</sup> February 1895, I have the honour to  
forward herewith a copy of the Sub Divisional  
officer's letter N<sup>o</sup> 1889 E. dy 5<sup>th</sup> March 1895  
wherein he states that the amount in question  
was received by him in camp on the 29<sup>th</sup> January  
1895 and that the money in question was kept  
in his office box close by the head of his cot  
and also explains why it was not remitted into  
Treasury at once.

I have not heard anything about the detection

of the case as yet, but I will let you know  
as soon as I hear about it from the  
Superintendent of Police.

I have &c

-Sd- D. Marshall

Ex: Engineer

No 94 W.

Copy forwarded to the Chief Engineer P.W.  
Department for orders with the remark  
that the Sub Divisional Officer appears to have  
kept his private money in the same box with  
Government money, and that the Government  
money was not in a Government Cash Chest.

*Clawson*

20/3/95

Lt Col. R. E.

Supg: Engineer V Crile

20<sup>th</sup> March  
1895

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