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II.—In the case of blockhouses and towers for the defence of railway bridges, stations and tunnels, which are to be carried out by the agency of the Railway Department, the project prepared by the Railway Engineer will be dealt with as under—

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(True Extract.)

(Signed) T. DAY, Major, R.E.,
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Under Secretary to Government.

To Superintending Engineers.
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Maj R.E.

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