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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
26th March 1867.*

No. 173. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Public Works Department, dated 14th March 1867, No. 783.

Communicating letter from the Super-
intending Engineer, explaining the
cause of delay in proceeding with
the work of the Eye Infirmary at Mad-
ras. } (Vide Proceedings, Public Works De-
partment, dated 14th March 1867,
Nos. 316 & 317.)

No. 174. ORDER THEREON, 26th March 1867, No. 322.

To be recorded.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,

Chief Secretary.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
14th March 1867.*

No. 316. Read the following Endorsement of the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, dated Madras, 1st March 1867, No. 4,733 :—

Read the following letter from the Executive Engineer No. 1 or Northern Range, to the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, dated Fort Saint George, 13th February 1867, No. 1,036.

1. In reference to your Order No. 4,429, dated 12th instant, I have the honor to report, that on receipt of G. O. dated 10th September 1866, No. 2,890, I immediately applied to you for a copy of the estimate in possession of the Superintendent, Eye Infirmary, to enable me to proceed with the work. The estimate was not prepared in this Office, nor even by the Department Public Works. On the 16th October 1866 the estimate was received, with an Order, No. 2,593, dated 15th idem, from your Office, requiring me to place myself in communication with Dr. Smith, and to carefully check and correct the estimate if necessary.

2. Immediately on receipt of the above, viz., the 16th idem, I addressed Dr. Smith, requesting him to make arrangements to enable me to check the estimate on the 19th idem. Dr. Smith was good enough to meet me in person on the 19th, and to point out all he required. The estimate supplied by him was *unintelligible*.

3. On the same day I addressed you in my letter No. 630, reporting the above, and calling for a plan and a correct estimate. In reply, you directed me in your Order No. 3,052, dated 12th November 1866, to prepare my own plan and estimate and work it out.

4. In my letter No. 713, dated 13th idem, I requested permission to proceed with the work without estimate in anticipation of sanction, and received your order for so doing on the 16th November.

5. The above accounts for the delay in the commencement of the work, viz., nine weeks. If this department had been applied to in the first instance, then *nine weeks* might have been saved. *The entire execution of the work would not occupy nine weeks !!!*

6. In the matter of delay in the progress of the work, I find upon referring to my Station book, that nothing was done from 16th November 1866 up to Christmas holidays, on account of rain and its concomitant effects, and so the work was not commenced until 3rd January, on the expiration of the holidays. No brick in chunam was laid anywhere in the Range during the latter part of November and up to 17th December, for two reasons, both due to rain however; first, because not a single brick could be obtained from the kiln, the approaches to which were totally submerged *from November 15th up to December 17th*, as I find by my books; and secondly, because we do not build in rain, but the first reason is the more cogent of the two, as it is possible to build in rain, but the work costs much.

7. The work is now nearly completed.

1. N. B.—The well will not be commenced until four or five days before the other work is completed. The repairs required to the well consist of patching and raising and plastering a thin parapet wall, and levelling the ground around it, also repairing wood-work.

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2. The parapet wall would be surely defaced, and possibly chipped or broken by carts with material if built at the commencement of the work. The ground will not be levelled and made clean and neat till all the cart work is over, and the timber work is prepared in a yard two miles off, and will not be carted to the spot till the very last moment, as it might be lost or injured if stored at the work.

Submitted to Government, with reference to their Order No. 399, 8th February 1867.

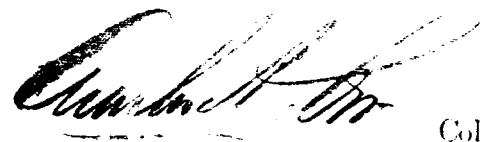
(Signed) A. J. M. BOILEAU, Colonel, R. E.,
Superintending Engineer, 4th Division.

No. 317. ORDER THEREON, 14th March 1867, No. 783.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 33.

Forwarded to the Inspector General of the Medical Department, with reference to Mr. Shaw's communication No. 31 of the 2nd February 1867.

(True Extract.)


Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Inspector General of the Medical Department.
.. Superintending Engineer, 4th Division.
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 the cause of delay in
 proceeding with the work
 of the English Engineer at
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