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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 15th December 1863.

No. 268. Read the following letter from the Consulting Engineer, Madras Irrigation and Canal Company :—

Forwards for the information and orders of Government a communication from the Chief Engineer urging a more extensive notification by the Collector of Kurnool of the objects and advantages likely to result from the Company's works. } (Here enter 5th December 1863, No. 114.)

No. 269. ORDER THEREON, 15th December 1863, No. 2,298.

* Annexed to G. O. dated 7th October 1863, No. 1,835.

1. The Collector of Kurnool will publish the Notification* in successive issues of his Gazette, and also make it known by Proclamation in every village, fixing up copies in places of general resort, and explaining it to the Ryots assembled for the Jummabundy.

2. In paragraph 8 of G. O. 24th March 1863, No. 573, and paragraph 3 of G. O. 25th idem, No. 578, Government have expressed their views as to the degree in which their Officers should exert their influence in inducing the Ryots to prepare lands for irrigation. It was there laid down that care was to be taken to show the Ryots that Government were directly interested in the success of the Company's operations, to whose Officers every legitimate assistance and countenance was to be afforded, but the Ryots were to be left to exercise their own discretion in preparing their land for irrigation. At the time these orders were issued the only doubtful question was the supply of water. Now, however, another element of uncertainty exists, as the rate to be charged for water may periodically be altered under the contract with the Company. Under these circumstances the orders quoted, correctly define the course to be adopted by the Officers of Government. The idea that the Ryots of this country need to be taught the benefits of irrigation is contradicted by universal experience, and if they evince any reluctance in making preparations for taking advantage of it in Kurnool, the reason is certainly not ignorance of its value, and the exercise of official influence is only likely to excite suspicion.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
„ Collector of Kurnool.
„ Consulting Engineer, Irrigation and Canal Company.
„ Department Public Works.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No 114

Consulting Engineer's Office
Irrigation & Canal Company
St. Thomas 5th December 1863

From

Colt. S.O.E. Ludlow
Consulting Engineer for I & C Co.

To

Colonel C.A. Orr R.E.
Secretary to Government P.W.D.

Sir,

I have the honor to submit for the information and orders of Government a communication from the Chief Engineer and Acting Agent urging a more extensive notification by the Collector of the objects and advantages likely to result from the Company's works with a view to the early preparation of Land for irrigation by the Ryots.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
S.O.E. Ludlow
Consulting Engineer I & C Co.

For Orders.

Rec'd 8 Dec 1863 Depart.
For Govt for Order
No 2997.

From
The Consulting Engineer
M. L. & Cobh

To
The Secretary to Govt.
D. P. W. Depart.

Dated 5 Dec/63
Rec'd 8 Dec/63
No 95 Enclosure
one letter (in original)

Forwards for the information & orders of Govt a communication from the Chief Engr urging a more extensive notification by the Collector of Customs, of the objects & advantages likely to result from the Company's works.

No 2298 15 Dec.

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Referred to the Rev. Department.
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Sec'y to Govt. P. W. D.

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- I concur in this Memo
The Notification should
be issued in Govt Order of
7 Oct Last No 1035 - The
Collector can do no more than insert it
in the District Gazette &
should publish it once by
Tom tom in the Villages - This
seems to me enough - The Ryots
must neglect irrigating when supplied

J.D.

the Contract with the Company - It seems to me that under these circumstances the orders quoted correctly define the course to be adopted by these officers - The idea that the Ryots of this country need to be taught the benefits of irrigation is contradicted by experience in every village and if they evince any reluctance in making preparations for taking advantage of it, the reason is certainly neither ignorance of its value, nor desire of persuasion by the Collector -

J.D.

Revenue Department

No. 2298.

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 15th December 1863.

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(Here enter 5th Decr/63 No 114)

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of the objects and advantages
likely to result from the
Irrigation Company's
works with orders thereon.