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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
26th March 1864.*

No. 315. Read the following letter from H. G. SMITH, Esq., Acting Collector of Cuddapah, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Royachoti, 21st March 1864, No. 8 :—

SIR,

• Vide copies of letters herewith sent, Nos. 1 and 2 (Enclosures).

1. By the two accompanying statements* of Major Palmer and Mr. Molony, you will see how urgently more relief is necessary for the Cuddry Talook, and therefore I have the honor to request you will obtain sanction from Government for an immediate grant of 15,000 Rupees, being the remainder of that first asked for.

2. I will not at present urge the Government for an extra grant of 30,000 Rupees till I see what success the Messrs. Johnston have had in procuring laborers from Cuddry.

3. Colonel Hemery and Major Palmer both state that it is impossible to frame regular estimates for the roads proposed to be made in time and particularly as the relief required is immediate, I have therefore written to Colonel Hemery to suggest that the carrying out of the works be entrusted to Mr. Molony and Major Palmer. Colonel Hemery of course being kept acquainted with the state of the works.

No. 316. ORDER THEREON, 26th March 1864, No. 519.

Communicated to the Department Public Works in view to a further sum of Rupees 15,000 being immediately placed at the disposal of the Collector and Superintending Engineer for the employment of the people of the Cuddry Talook on Public Works. The number of people employed, the character of the works, the amount of work done, &c., will be fully reported on by the Public Works Officers from time to time, and every effort must be used to employ the funds in a manner to benefit the Talook permanently as well as to relieve the existing distress.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

To the Department Public Works.

- „ Board of Revenue.
- „ Collector of Cuddapah.
- „ Accountant General.
- „ Civil Paymaster.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

N^o 213.

Executive Engineer's Office
Camp Chikativampalli
14th March 1864.

From Major J. G. Palmer ✓
Executive Engineer in charge
Madanapalli Range.

To J. B. Molony Esquire
Subcollector of Cuddapah
Sir,

In continuation of my letter N^o 192 dated
10th ultimo, I have the honor to inform you that
regular surveys, Plans and detailed estimates were
made out some time ago, for the Roads from Cadiri
to the Bellary Frontier and from Cadiri to Payachoti,
and after being duly countersigned were forwarded to
Madras for entry in former budgets. —

II The work therefore can proceed on these ap-
proved estimates, and I presume further estimates
will not now be required. —

III I may take this opportunity of referring to
the distress which I witnessed in the Taluq. Drink-
ing water is so scarce that they are jealous of their
wells and the whole of the cattle have been
driven off to other Taluqs for pasturage. Parties
have come gladly to work, but the scarcity of
water prevents their assembling in one spot. The
coolies now engaged along 20 miles of road will
cost nearly Rs. 3000 a month and if a larger
grant than Rs. 5000 may be expected I trust

in speedy sanction. —

I have the honor to acknowledge
(Signed) J. G. Palmer Major
Executive Engineer
in charge Madanapalle
Range. —

(True Copy)

(Signed) T. B. Molony
Sub-collector

(True Copy)

Yours truly
T. B. Molony

Ex. Comm. Secy. & Co

N^o 37.

Madunapalli
18th March 1864

From J. B. Molony Esquire
Subcollector of Maddur

To H. G. Smith Esquire
Acting Collector of Maddur

Sir,

I regret to have to report to you that
crime of a violent nature and to a most alarming
extent prevails in the taluk of Hadri.—

I have had the honor of recommending that a
sum of 2,000 Rupees be laid out in providing employ-
ment for the people and Government have been pleased
to sanction a sum of 5000 Rupees which is in course
of expenditure and which will shortly be exhausted.
The people of that taluk would far rather resort
to robbery than go a long distance in search of work
and therefore in the event of the remaining portion of
the proposed grant not having been already sanctioned
I would most respectfully urge the necessity of its
being so immediately as work is the only thing that
will keep the population out of mischief.

The Assistant Superintendent of Police is
now in the taluk of Hadri and the taluk Magistrate
is doing all he can to check crime but such is the
state of fear now existing in that part that we can
not get any reliable information from the persons robbed,
either from fear of the vengeance of the robbers or from
a dislike of the trouble of prosecuting.—

I am informed by Major Palmer that he can

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In a letter from the Asst.
Collector of Maddur
dated 21 March 1864

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From
Major Palmer
Assistant Engineer
Maddur

To
The Sub Collector
Maddur

Dated 12 March 1864

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Report to the Assistant Engineer
of the taluk of Maddur
of the taluk of Maddur
and suggest
that the taluk of Maddur
may be required
to relieve the taluk of Maddur.

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can advantageously expend 6000 Rupees a month
with ease on road work in Gadini and is now
spending at the rate of nearly 3000 Rupees a month.
This will exhaust the grant in a very few days
the people already employed will probably take to
crime and the result may be imagined. I feel sure
that if any thing I understate the measure of
relief absolutely necessary and had I to make a
fresh recommendation I should estimate the
sum at 5000 instead of 2000 as I have already
done. The talook is I may say nearly without
water either in tanks or wells, sufficient to drink
is obtained with great difficulty by deepening the
wells, grain is selling at high rates and there is no
employment for the people. They are I regret to say
making employment for and feeding themselves
by crime and as the hot weather and consequent
drought advances it is clear that crime will increase
also. —

as per enclosed
copy of a letter
just received.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedt Servant
(Signed) J. B. Molony
Sub Collector.

True Copy.

A. Smith
Sg. Collector.

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In a letter from the Acting
Collector of Customs at
San Francisco dated 21st March 1864
c 500

At 1864
From c 100
The sub collector
To The Acting Collector
of Customs at
San Francisco

Dated 18th March 1864
c 300

Reporting the number of
new passengers in the
of Casco and no more
that a few had passed
may be obtained & return
the due of that day

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