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No. 426. Read the following letter from the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Camp, Aurumbakum, 1st December 1866, No. 68:—

1. I have the honor to forward, for the information of Government, a letter* received from the Collector of Kistna District, requesting me to apply for a special grant of money during next year for the formation of the canal from the Masulipatam Channel to the Salt Cotaurs at Munganapudi, sanctioned by Government on the 23rd February 1865 in their Proceedings No. 515.

* No. 271, dated 19th ultimo.

2. The success attending the opening of the Nizampatam Canal appears very encouraging; the more so, when we note a fact which Mr. Thornhill has not alluded to, viz., that for the three months after its opening, only a few dhonies availed themselves of it on account of the ignorance of the owners concerning the large trade so recently made available. Consequently nearly all the vast increase in the sales, as specified in Mr. Thornhill's statement, must have taken place since the re-opening of the canals for the season on 1st July, or during four and a half months only. Had the same traffic existed from 1st December to the closing of the canal on 6th March, the probable increase in the salt sales would have been little short of one lac of Rupees. Under these circumstances, I beg strongly to recommend that, if possible, 15,000 or 20,000 Rupees should be included in the outgoing Budget, in order that the Munganapudi Channel be as speedily as possible made available for the transit of small boats, as recommended by Mr. Thornhill in paragraph 5 of his letter. The channel can afterwards be enlarged at leisure to its ultimate dimensions.

3. I have requested the Masulipatam Range Officer to frame an estimate at his early convenience for a branch channel from the Buntumilly Canal to the Salt Cotaurs at that station.

Referred to the Revenue Department. The Public Works Budget for 1867-68 has been closed.

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
8th December 1866.

No. 427. ORDER THEREON, 21st December 1866, No. 3,469.

Separate Revenue, No. 15.
Salt.

Communicated to the Board of Revenue.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
„ the Public Works Department.

Exd. T. Cartledge

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Revenue Dept.
The P. W. Budget
for 1867/68 has
been closed.

Alfred D. Hall
Capt. & A.Q.M.
Leavenworth

Fort Stevens
8th December 1866

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The Supt Engineer
2d Division
for the Secretary
to Govt P.W.D

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