

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
9th May 1871.*

No. 92. Read the following endorsement of the Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department, dated 2nd May 1871 :—

Read the following letter from the Acting Superintending Engineer, 1st Division,
to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Madras,
dated Dowlaishweram, 24th April 1871, No. 191 :—

In continuation of my letter of the 31st ultimo, No. , , relative to the

- * 1 Letter from the Collector of Vizagapatam,
No. 324, dated 4th April 1871.
- 1 Letter to the Collector of Vizagapatam,
No. S., dated 9th March 1871.
- 1 Letter from Collector of Vizagapatam,
No. 230, dated 13th March 1871.
- 1 Letter to the Collector of Vizagapatam,
No. E.E., dated 14th March 1871.
- 1 Letter to the Collector of Vizagapatam,
No. F.F., dated 14th March 1871.
- 1 Letter to the Collector of Vizagapatam,
No. I.I., dated 17th March 1871.
- 1 Letter from the Collector of Vizagapatam,
No. 262, dated 21st March 1871.
- 1 Letter to the Collector of Vizagapatam,
No. C.I., dated 25th March 1871.
- 1 Letter from the Collector of Vizagapatam,
No. 288, dated 27th March 1871.
- 1 Letter to the Collector of Vizagapatam,
No. 421, dated 31st March 1871.

remark passed by the Collector of
Vizagapatam on the state of the road
between Vizianagaram and Chittivalsa,
and in regard to the general charges
against this department, I have the
honour to forward, herewith, copy of a
letter received from Mr. Melville, and of
the correspondence* that has passed
between me and that officer, and beg to
observe that I did not in the least intend
to criticise on the proceedings of the
Court which tried Local Fund Overseer
Pudmanabhaswamy, but merely pointed
out that, as according to the Calendar,
the Magistrate had already found the

prisoner Pudmanabhaswamy guilty of obtaining money for illegal purposes. I was
at a loss to understand on what grounds he was subsequently discharged, as there
was nothing in the Calendar to show that the decision of the Magistrate was
erroneous; in fact, in one part he is declared to have obtained money for illegal
purposes, and in another of making a false entry; and after all escapes altogether.
I beg to add, in conclusion, it is to little purpose to make charges of a general
nature against a department at any time; but in such an instance as this case
affords, it is even worse than useless; it is positively mischievous.

TRANSFERRED to the Revenue Department, with reference to the Orders in that
department, No. 667, dated 13th April 1871.

(Signed) J. CARPENDALE, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

No. 93. ORDER THEREON, 9th May 1871, No. 805.

Local Funds, No. 4.
Civil Works.

THE Government await the Board's
report called for in the Order, dated
13th April 1871, No. 667.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue, with original enclosures.
,, the Public Works Department.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Accountant General

No. 191

From

Major J. F. Fischer R.E.
Acting Superintending Engineer

1st Division

To

Colonel C. J. W. R.E.

Secretary to Government D. P. W.

MADRAS

SIR,

In continuation of my letter of the 31st ultimo & to 1877 relative to the remark passed by the Collector of Vizianagaram on the state of the road between Vizianagaram and Chittivalla, and in regard to the general charges against this Department, I have the honor to forward herewith copy of a letter received from Mr. Melville, and of the correspondence that has passed between me and that Officer, and beg to observe that I did not in the least intend to criticize on the proceedings of the Court which tried Local Quad overman Rudmanabhaswamy, but merely pointed out that according to the Calendar the Magistrate had already found the Prisoner Rudmanabhaswamy guilty of obtaining money for illegal purposes & was at a loss to understand on what grounds

Accountant General

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nothing in the Calendar to show that the decision
of the Magistrate was erroneous in fact
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money for illegal purposes, and in another
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altogether. I beg to say in conclusion it
is so little proper to make charges of a
general nature against a Department at
any time but in such an instance as this
case affords, it is even worse than useless,
it is positively mischievous.

I remain the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedt servant

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Major. R. P.

Off. Secy. Indian Affairs Division

