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17th February 1875.*

No. 403. Read the following letter from Captain J. PENNYCUICK, R.E., District Engineer, North Arcot, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. MULLINS, R.E., Chief Engineer for Irrigation, dated Vellore, 15th January 1875, No. 2,854:—

IN reply to your memorandum, No. 1, of 2nd instant, I have the honor to report that I shall not require more than Rupees 20,000 for the Palar Anicut and Rupees 10,000 for the Poiney for expenditure during this year.

2. Much more than this could doubtless be spent in payment for materials, as I have had almost unlimited offers of supplying stone and lime, but the first requisite is the bricks for the foundation wells, and these are precisely the materials which there is the greatest difficulty in getting.

3. Arrangements have been made for their supply, but it is not likely that much practical work will be done before the beginning of March, and the expenditure of money is not *per se* a particularly important object.

4. I have just inspected the Palar Anicut; the bund round the breach is under construction, but the Christmas holidays and the Poongul feast delay work at this time of the year. It will, however, be completed soon, its construction being much facilitated by the villagers diverting the water for their own purposes.

5. I have not seen the Poiney Anicut since your last visit, but the Range Officer states that the water has been almost entirely diverted by the villagers, and that the bund will be completed in a few days.

6. I may mention here that I do not anticipate any material loss of revenue under the Palar Anicut, unless we should have a heavy flood early in the season. At the Poiney the risk of loss is greater, as the uninjured portion of the anicut is so small; all that can be said is that we will do our best to save as much water as possible.

No. 404. ORDER THEREON, 17th February 1875, No. 456.

IRRIGATION, No. 27.

RECORDED with reference to the order marginally noted.

G. O., No. 3,619, dated 28th December 1874.

(True Extract.)

C. Walker

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, North Arcot.

.. Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

.. Controller of Public Works Accounts.

.. Revenue Department.

Exd. A. Grubert.

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To

THE DISTRICT ENGINEER.

NORTH ARCOT.

&c. &c. &c.

Dated February 17th.

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G. O., 17th February 1875, No. 456.

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Palar and Poiny Anicuts, North Arcot.—
Letter from the District Engineer report-
ing that not more than Rupees 20,000 for
the Palar and Rupees 10,000 for the
Poiny Anicuts will be required for expen-
diture this year, recorded.

No 343

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Board of Revenue

22^d February 1875