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No. 680. Read the following endorsement of the Officiating Chief Secretary, Financial Department, dated Fort St. George, 22nd March 1877, No. 699:—

From L. R. BURROWS, Esq., Acting President of the Municipal Commission, to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Officiating Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 20th March 1877, E. No. 825.

With reference to paragraph 1 of the Order of Government, dated 1st March 1877, No. 702, Public Works Department, objecting to the proposal to remove the filthy deposit from the Cochrane's Canal south of the Elephant Gate bridge and to bury it in the People's Park as not being likely to be conducive to the health of the residents in the vicinity of the canal, I have the honor to point out that the nearest residents to that part of the canal are the inmates of the Penitentiary. These are pretty well protected by the outer wall of the building which is high. The wind at this season is generally south-easterly, and would take away the bad smell from the Penitentiary, which is situated to the south-west.

2. There are no houses on the north-west nearer than Choolay Bazaar road, a distance of from $2\frac{1}{2}$ to 7 furlongs, according to the point taken in the canal.

3. The conveyance of the deposit in boats will be a very costly process. It must be carried beyond Munally bridge, a distance of about three miles, if it is to be deposited in a locality where it will be less injurious than in the Park.

4. Unless Mr. Woolley has made sufficient progress with the canal north of the Bason to enable him to commence the cleaning of the part between the Elephant Gate bridge and the Hospital bridge before the land winds set in, I should doubt the advisability of carrying out the work at all, as the stench caused in the removal of the deposit will then be carried directly into the Central Station and General Hospital.

5. Being of opinion that the deposit of the filth in trenches in the Park will not be a source of danger to the public health, and that it is most desirable that the work should be carried out whilst the wind is south-easterly, I venture respectfully to ask the Government to reconsider their decision.

TRANSFERRED to the Public Works Department for disposal.

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Offg. Chief Secretary.

No. 681. ORDER THEREON, 27th March 1877, No. 1,045.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 63.

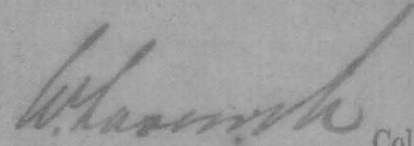
HIS GRACE the Governor in Council cannot consent to an experiment, the results of which could not be clearly known for a twelvemonth or more. He considers that the miasma caused by the deposit of the filth would each season, with the alternations of wet and drought, rise through the ground to the serious injury of the health of the people who frequent the Park.

2. When once the surface filth has been cleared away from the Coom banks and buried elsewhere, there will be no objection to the dispersion over the Park of

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any hard soil which it may be found desirable to remove in order to deepen the bed
of the river.

(True Extract.)


Colonel,
Acting Joint Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
Buildings and Roads Branch.

To the District Engineer, Presidency.
" President of the Municipal Commission, Madras.
" Financial Department.
" Revenue do.
To Mr. Woolley.

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To
The DISTRICT ENGINEER,
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Cochrane's Canal south of the Elephant
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ment of burying in the People's Park the
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12. To the W. of Revenue 9/2/77