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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from

the Inspector General of Ordnance and
Magazines through His Excellency the Com-
mander in Chief to the Secretary to Govt.
Military Department, dated Ordnance
Office, Fort St. George 3rd January 1877
No. 572.

I have the honor to request that
you will bring to the notice of Government
that the expense magazine at Tujacorpady
is still wholly without those traverses, the
construction of which my predecessor Colonel
Stewart recommended in para 6 of his
letter published in O. G. (Public) No. 186,
dated 20th February 1873, I have reason
to know that the Finance relief authorities,
with whom I have communicated would
willingly undertake the work very soon, as
the nature and position of the proposed
embankments are suitable and convenient
for distressed villagers working.

2. Major Vibart Executive Engineer Presidency, has carefully examined the locality with myself and sees no difficulty in carrying out the earth work without any interference with existing walls or buildings. Drains however will have to be made at once under the proposed traverses. Their cost will be slight.

3. I need scarcely observe that should the Magazine explode from lightning or other cause the village and any people or trains near, besides the Ordnance store Serjeant in charge, his family and the Native Infantry Guard would be destroyed. and as pointed out by Colonel Stewart in the letter already referred to, the neighbouring Iron Foundry does not add to the safety of Magazine in which there are usually upwards of three thousand and one hundred ~~to~~ barrels of Gunpowder.

4. I would therefore again recommend that the immediate construction of the traverses be authorized as a possible work of -

work of permanent utility.

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I forward with the recommendation of His Excellency the Commander in Chief that the work be undertaken as recommended by Colonel Cadell. The Veyasarpady Magazine is an old one, a new Magazine has been built at the mouth and it was once contemplated to abandon the Veyasarpady one but so long as the powder mills are at Madras a Magazine near them will be a necessity. Colonel Cadell does not think the Veyasarpady Magazine can be dispensed with. Traverses round the Magazine will add to its safety.

Quarter Master General's Office } (By Order)
Fort St. George } signed
4th January 1877 } H. O'Connell Brig. Genl.
Quarter Master General

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orders of Government as to whether the proposed traverses should be undertaken as a relief work - the necessary masonry drains being provided by the Public Works Department.

(By Order)

Fort St. George

5th January 1877

Signed J. Michael Colvill

Secretary to Government.

Order thereon 8th January 1877 No 59

The Governor in Council approves and sanctions the proposed Relief Work.

2. It must of course be carried out under direction and supervision of the District Engineer.

(True Extract)

Chief Secretary.

To The Revenue Department

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