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No. 616. Read the following letter from Captain L. CONWAY-GORDON, R.E.,
Examiner of Public Works Accounts, to the Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department, Buildings and Roads Branch, dated Fort St.
George, 12th April 1877, No. 3 B:—

I HAVE the honor to call the special attention of Government to the fact that at
present there appears to be no estimate sanctioned for the extension of the East Coast
Canal from Penner to Chippalera.

2. With reference to the whole expenditure now being incurred on the East
Coast Canal from Famine Relief Works, I have the honor to suggest that the work
done monthly, valued at estimated rates, be reported by the District Engineer to this
office, and that the value of the work thus arrived at be at once passed to the debit of
the proper fund head of service, i.e., Provincial, and credited per contra to Famine
Relief Funds. The regular transfer of these debits will avoid the incidence of some
future large debit to Provincial Funds which may possibly cause extreme inconvenience.
This valuation should be carried out as early as possible in order that the value of the
work done during the year 1876-77 may be adjusted against the grant of Rs. 1,50,000
for the East Coast Canal in that year's Budget.

3. I have further to request the orders of Government as to the eventual
incidence of the large expenditure which is now being incurred on tools and plant in
connection with Famine Relief Works.

No. 616. ORDER THEREON, 25th April 1877, No. 1,425.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 49.

COMMUNICATED to the District Engi-
neer, Nellore, who will hasten the sub-
mission of the report called for in
G.O., No. 920, of the 12th March, and, without loss of time, furnish the Examiner
with a statement showing the value at estimated rates of the work done monthly.
Captain Conway-Gordon's suggestions are generally approved. But His Excellency
in Council is averse to permitting debits to Provincial in excess of the Budget grant
for the year. Imperial Funds should now be credited with the Budget Grant for the
canal in 1876-77, so far as it was not expended in ordinary manner; while the Budget
grant for the current year can all at once be credited to Imperial Famine.

2. The expenditure upon tools and plant for Famine Work should be debited
to Imperial.

(True Extract.)

E. A. Madras Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

To the District Engineer, Nellore.
Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
Financial Department.
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To the Hon. Secy of the Navy