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REVENUE DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE,
27th November 1877.

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No. 3,312.

To
THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, AGRICULTURE, AND COMMERCE.

Irrigation, No. 8.

G.O., 16th August 1877, No. 2,510.
" 2nd October " " 3,067.
" 27th November " " 3,311.

SIR,—I AM directed to submit, for the consideration and orders of His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, the marginally-noted papers relating to the appointment of a special officer on duty connected with the Irrigation Company's Canal in Kurnool and Cuddapah, and to

request that the instructions on the subject which have been issued by His Grace the Governor in Council in anticipation of sanction may be approved and confirmed.

2. It will be observed that the necessity for prompt action has been shown to be emergent, and that the testimony of all the officers and departments concerned—Irrigation, Public Works, and Revenue,—is unanimous as to the remedy to be applied.

3. The Government of India are aware that under the contract system the Company have no direct dealings with the ryots for the sale of water, but that the Government purchase the water and resell it to the ryots, the adjusted demand on whom by Government for water-rate is the measure of the due payment by Government to the Company. The primary object of the arrangement was doubtless to facilitate the realization of the Company's dues and to obviate a distinct demand on the ryots concurrent with, but separate from, that made by Government for the land assessment at the annual settlement. The speedy disposal of applications for water renders it, however, necessary that these should be received by the Canal Officers of the Company as well as by the Village Officers of Government.

4. The special needs of the Canal Company's Officers are—

- (1). Speedy registration of all applications for water, whether verbal or written, by the Village and Canal Officers.
- (2). Effective check on surreptitious use of water without payment.
- (3). Prompt arrangements for assessing the water-tax and settling the demand on the ryots.

For these ends competent supervision of actual irrigation and of the irrigable area by a superior officer who will enforce obedience, attention, and regard to the rights of the Company on the part of the Village Officers and ryots is essential.

5. It needs to be remembered that the Government is equally interested in securing these ends, for they have guaranteed interest on the capital and must provide from general revenues the deficit beyond the earnings of the Company.

6. It is essential both in the interests of the State and of the Company that effective measures should be adopted for facilitating the use of the water to the utmost and for ensuring the due realization of the rates payable for its use. His Grace in Council is satisfied that no better arrangement to this end can be made than that which is recommended in the papers now submitted.

7. The usual tabular statement accompanies.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Secretary to Government.

Mrd. J. W. Fischer.

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