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Read the following paper:—

No. 235. Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Revenue Department, dated 21st April 1877, No. 1,515.

No. 1,121.

Referred to the District Engineer, Cuddapah, for report.

Fort St. George,
1st May 1877.

(Signed) E. A. FOORD, Colonel, R.E.,
Chief Engineer, P.W.D.

No. 285-A. From Colonel A. S. MODERLY, R.E., District Engineer, Cuddapah, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, Buildings and Roads, dated Cuddapah, 22nd May 1877, No. 474.

With reference to your No. 1,121 of the 1st instant, forwarding for report G.O. No. 1,575 of 21st ultimo in the Revenue Department, I have the honor to submit a copy of a letter from the officer in charge of the Madanapally Range. You will observe that in January last the Revenue Department in the Kadiri taluq without any reference to me got the Kadiri Taluq Overseer, a young man of eighteen months service, to let them store the grain in the unfinished rooms of the new Cutcherry now in course of construction at Kadiri.

2. If this question had been referred to me for orders, I should have refused, except in the case of completed portions, which I would have ordered to have handed over properly, and even then Government might have considered I was doing wrong.

3. There is a large chuttrum in Kadiri lately constructed by the Sheristadar of this district, where I think the grain might have been more safely stored, as this building is quite close to the old Taluq Cutcherry.

From J. TRAILL, Esq., C.E., Assistant Engineer, in charge of Madanapally Range, to Colonel A. S. MODERLY, R.E., District Engineer, Cuddapah, dated Madanapally, 17th May 1877, No. 264.

With reference to your No. 324, dated 4th May, I have the honor to report as follows regarding the damage to grain stored in the new Taluq Cutcherry, Kadiri.

2. The first intimation I received that the Revenue authorities had made use of the building for storing grain was through a docket from the Taluq Overseer (copy marked A enclosed) in which he states that being requested by the relief officer to allow grain to be stored in the Cutcherry, he had permitted the use of the Jail wards, Cashier's and Sheristadar's room, for the purpose. The building was in progress, and strictly speaking it should not have been handed over until completed, but seeing that there was no other convenient place in which to store the

large quantities of grain pouring into the Kadiri taluq, and thinking that matters connected with the famine should take precedance of all others in this exceptional time, I acted my approval of the Overseer's action. On my visit to Kadiri shortly after, I found that the Revenue authorities had put on a temporary thatch (not calculated to resist the entrance of rain during heavy rain) over my woodwork, which was complete and only wanted tiling. Overseer stated that the tiles were all ready, and so I ordered him to proceed with the tiling, only reserving as *much of the temporary thatch as could be completely covered with tiles in one day.* Had these instructions been carried out, any damage done to the grain could not have been put down to the Overseer. On asking him about it, he says, however, he was only acting as I had told him. As it appeared from the Tahsildar's report that the Overseer had not been carrying out my instructions, I severely reprimanded him and repeated my former orders in writing with regard to the tiling of the other rooms, the jail wards being completed.

3. Having once given the building over to the Revenue authorities, I would have stopped all work on it, only that I had great difficulty in starting the work and had to get workmen from Madras and other distant places and these people would have had to be discharged and their expenses paid to Madras, and further my particular object in giving the Overseer the order to tile the building was to save the grain, which I considered was not sufficiently protected by the rough and scanty thatch put up by the Tahsildar.

Copy of a docket from the Overseer in charge, Kadiri taluq, to the Officer in charge of Madanapally Range, dated Camp, Kadiri, 10th January 1877, No. 901.

Most respectfully begs to inform that, in anticipation of your approval, he has allowed the Revenue authorities to store up grain at the Jail ward and in the Cutcherry and Sheristadar's room as requested by the Officer in charge of Relief Works.

No. 286. ORDER THEREON, 28th May 1877, No. 140 W.

COMMUNICATED to the Revenue Department with reference to G.O., of 21st April 1877, No. 1,515, Revenue Department.

(True Extract.)

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

To the District Engineer, Cuddapah.
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