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Irrigation.

Read the following paper:—

No. 93. From J. H. LATHAM, Esq., Chief Engineer and Manager of the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, dated Dhoor, 10th August 1877, No. 95.

I HAVE the honor to report a breach which occurred in the upper bank of main canal below the Terrigopully aqueduct at 8 or 9 A.M. on the 1st instant, when the water there was 6 feet (Banker's report) above canal bed.

2. Mr. Wilks had just returned from camp into Kurnool, and he at once sent out the usual plant, &c., for closing the breach. He encamped on the spot, and housed all his materials on the 4th. Messrs. Davidson and Gibson offered every assistance in their power, and the Tahsildar of Nandikotkur supplied very opportunely 300 baskets. By the 8th he had more labor than enough without borrowing gangs of relief coolies.

3. The breach is about 100 feet long, in bank 24 feet high, and is expected to be closed by the 20th at latest.

4. The accident is primarily due to the canal being filled higher than in previous years—an experiment purposely made at once in July, before there were many crops dependent on the canal. I do not hear of any loss of crop being likely, though some loss of canal revenue may result from the check to sowing. The Koonder being still running, can supply all water needed below Rajoli.

4. I hear also that the canal bank near the Vaikaler aqueduct breached on the 4th from no known cause, and, although I have been in this neighbourhood, I have as yet only heard of it indirectly. About this I am about to make a searching inquiry, for I hear that many acres of freshly sown rice are lost.

No. 94. ORDER THEREON, 27th August 1877, No. 259 I.

ORDERED to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Joint Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
Irrigation Branch.

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
" " and Manager, Madras Irrigation and Canal Company.
" Revenue Department.

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