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29th August 1877, No. 663 W.

**Buildings and Roads.**

**Civil Works.**

Read the following paper :—

No. 287. From Colonel F. J. MOBERLY, R.E., Superintending Engineer, Chingleput, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated St. Thomas' Mount, 23rd August 1877, No. 1,989.

I HAVE the honor to report that copy of G.O., No. 305, 26th April, was sent to Lieutenant Smither, but he reported mainly to the effect that no comparison could be made between work estimated for and that executed.

One copy of a letter from Assistant Engineer, Serulur Range, No. A, 18th August 1877.

2. Lieutenant Wiffen's reply supporting this and containing further information I enclose a copy of.

3. This road has latterly been occasionally at any rate inspected by a Public Works Department Supervisor, and yet it is said to be very different from the estimate. I fear that many other works will differ still more largely.

4. I beg to point out that employment in the neighbourhood of this road was available; in fact I carefully selected my irrigation repairs so as to afford employment near home to every person who might seek it; moreover the railway from Madras to Arconum is at no great distance running parallel to the Ramanjery road.

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From Lieutenant G. E. WIFFEN, Assistant Engineer, No. 1 or Serulur Range, to Colonel F. J. MOBERLY, R.E., Superintending Engineer, Chingleput, dated 18th August 1877, No. A.

IN answer to your No. 1,296, dated 6th July 1877, I have the honor to state that I was not able to take exact measurements of the excavations on the road from Tripasore to Ramanjery on account of 98 per cent. of the pits having been under water from the cyclone of May 1877; but taking the pits and section of the road, I find 34,273 cubic yards of earthwork done. Mr. Supervisor Fox gave me his daily measurements, from which I find that only 33,941 cubic yards of work done, making a difference of 332 cubic yards only as a difference between his measurements which were taken before the rain fell and mine. I believe that Mr. Fox's measurements are quite correct and can be relied on.

2. The road is not made as per estimate in any one place; it has apparently been left to the option of the maistry in charge to do as he liked; only one culvert has been commenced, that is, a double 6 feet near the village of Pandur; there has been but very little care taken in sectioning or levelling the road; when I was over it, it was very bad, no gravel at all put down or carted, nor any material for masonry works collected except the one mentioned.

3. I am given to understand that the Tahsildar claims to have excavated more than double the quantity of earth measured by myself and Mr. Fox; although I was at Tripasore some four days neither the Tahsildar nor the Deputy Collector came to see me, though they were acquainted with the fact that I had come to check work on the road.

4. The reason of the delay was on account of my having to get the papers and measurements from the Famine Officers at Tripasore.

No. 288. ORDER THEREON, 29th August 1877, No. 663 W.

COMMUNICATED to the Revenue Department, Famine, with reference to Government Order in that Department, No. 1,488-A, dated 9th April 1877.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, Chingleput.
" Revenue Department.

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To

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
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Dated August 29th.

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