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Historical Monuments in India.

Read the following paper:—

No. 30. From A. P. HOWELL, Esq., M.A., Officiating Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department (Public), to the Secretary to the Government of Bombay, dated Simla, 9th August 1877, No. 1542.

From the Resolution of the Bombay Government in the Public Works Department, No. 130-P, dated 27th June last, the Government of India have observed that certain sums have been sanctioned for the demolition of the Guttal Fort and for filling in the ditch and for levelling the fort and reclaiming the ditch at Gadag as famine relief works.

2. The Government of India have no knowledge of these particular forts, but they feel assured that His Excellency the Governor in Council would not have approved their demolition had they

* Home Department Circular Nos. 57—4030-9, dated 29th August 1867.

Home Department Resolution Nos. 14—930-41A, dated 24th February 1868.

Public Works Department Circular No. 9, dated 13th February 1873.

Home Department Nos. 1565—67, dated 2nd June 1874.

Home Department Nos. 230—2, dated 3rd February 1875.

possessed architectural merits or historical associations. I am to take the opportunity of reminding the Bombay Government of the various instructions* which from time to time have been issued in view to the preservation of buildings, &c., of historical or architectural interest. The Government of India consider the preservation of such works an urgent duty, and

though the subject has received considerable attention it is feared that the instructions are not always strictly observed. There is, indeed, reason to believe that destruction of such buildings is still occasionally permitted, especially by railway contractors and engineers. Even where it is necessary to remove them inscriptions and valuable carvings should be carefully preserved.

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* Vide also Home Department Endorsement, No. 1258, dated 28th June 1877.

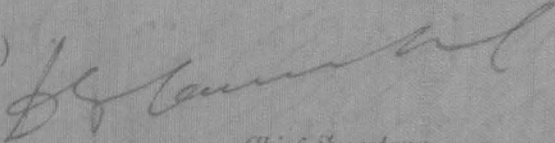
Works and Foreign Departments and the Department of Revenue, Agriculture, and Commerce for information and for the issue of any further orders which may be necessary.

(Signed) L. NEILL,
Offg. Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 31. ORDER THEREON, 14th September 1877, No. 1209.

Communicated to the several Collectors, and to the Revenue and Public Works Departments.

(True Extract.)


Chief Secretary.

To the Collector of
" Revenue Department.
" Public Works Department.
Exd. C. Howarth.

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