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Read the following letters:—

No. 179. From Major H. W. WOODHEAD, District Engineer, Vizagapatam,
to Major-General G. W. WALLACE, A.E., Secretary to Government, Public
Works Department, dated 22nd November 1876, No. 1,792.

With reference to G.O., No. 2,794, dated 18th October 1876, I have the honor
to state that, in February 1876, the Overseer in charge of the work of completing
the Northern Trunk Road, between Kosim and Chicacole, reported to the District
Engineer that a sufficiency of labor could be procured for expending the whole
sum allotted for the work.

2. As regards the alleged slow progress with the construction of the civil
buildings at Koraput during the official year 1875-76, it would appear that no proper
arrangements were made by the Public Works Department for paying for the timber
which had been collected for the works by the Sub-Magistrate. The consequence
was that in February the seasoned logs had been converted to their own uses by the
villagers to whom the timber belonged or had been burnt in jungle fires.

3. A second cause of delay was the occurrence of a dispute between the Public
Works Department and the contractor of tiles.

4. A third cause of delay was the irregular way of paying the carpenters
employed on the work. A cheque for two months' arrears of their wages was unfortu-
nately burnt in the conflagration of the shed used by the subordinate in charge of the
work, and the result of this accident of course caused further complaints from the
work people.

No. 179-A. From the same Officer, dated Waltair, 22nd December 1876, No. 1,950.

In reply to your No. 1,829, dated 5th December 1876, I have the honor to state
as follows:—

Between 8th—15th December 1875, Captain Eastall, the Acting Assistant Agent
at Koraput, informed Mr. Overseer Huxham (recently deceased) that timber was
waiting to be delivered to the works on payment for the same.

Sub-Conductor J. Cormac was on 4th January 1876 transferred to the Jeypore
Range for the management of the Koraput works; but he visited that place on 14th
December previously, and should therefore have been cognizant of the fact that
timber had been cut for the works and was ready for delivery.

The Overseer, Mr. Huxham, (above mentioned,) was, in the first instance responsible
for the irregular payment of carpenters, and the difference with the tile-makers which
resulted in these materials not being prepared. But his immediate superior was Sub-
Conductor Cormac, who appears to have left the Overseer very much to his own
devices.

Mr. Bell was the officer in whose range the portion of the Grand Trunk Road
alluded to was situated.

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District Engineer, Vizagapatam, will
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(Extract.)

Chancellor Major-General, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Vizagapatam.
" Chief Engineer, Public Works Department.
" Revenue Department.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

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TO
THE DISTRICT ENGINEER,
VIZAGAPATAM.
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Dated, January 11th.

By order

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