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Kumbakonam, Government - Free quarters to ground man - sanctioned.

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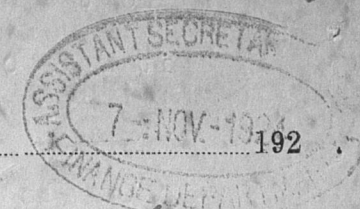
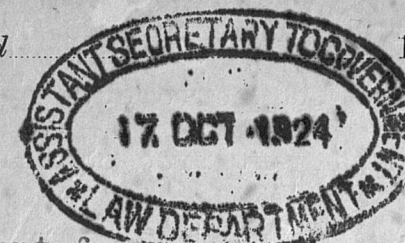
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DEPARTMENT.

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Subject.

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Rent free occupation of the outhouse of the Government College Kumbakonam by the watchman of the College - sanction of Government requested.



ENCLOSURES.

No.

C. J. P. 11/11/24

R.O.C.

No. 546 D/24

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Station M a d r a s, Dated the 14th October 1924 192

From (Name) R. Littlehales, Esq., M.A.

(Designation) Director of Public Instruction.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Law (Education)

Department.

Sir,

At the instance of the Executive Engineer, Cauveri Division, the Principal, Government College, Kumbakonam requests me to obtain the sanction of Government for the rent-free occupation by the Watchman of the College of the watchman's quarters located in the College compound.

2. I submit herewith an extract of a letter R.C.No. 472/17, dated 31st July 1924 from the Principal of the College and also a copy of letter and also a copy of letter R.C.No. 554/22, dated 5th February 1923 referred to therein regarding the history of Watchman's quarters

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and the necessity for allowing the watchman to occupy it free of rent.

3. I request that for the reasons explained in the above letters you will be so good as to obtain the sanction of Government for the rent free occupation of the Quarters in question by the watchman of the college.

I have the honour to be,

S i r,

Your most obedient servant,

S. V. S.
for Director of Public Instruction.

P.V.S. 15/10.

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Copy of letter No. R.C. 472 of 1917 dated the 22nd April 1924 from M.R.Ry., P.V. Seshu Ayyar Avl., B.A. L.T., I.E.S., Acting Principal, Government College, Kumbakonam to the

Executive Engineer, Cauvery Division, Tanjore

With reference to your letter No. 334-M dated 22/27th February 1924 and Director of Public Instruction's Proceedings R.O.C. No. 546-D/24 dated 10-4-24, I have the honour to request you to be so good as to certify whether the quarters occupied by the groundman at present within the college compound may be let out to him "Rent-free" under the circumstances stated in my letter R.C. No. 554/22 dated 5-2-1923 to the Director of Public Instruction a true copy of which is herewith enclosed for reference.

No. 7115.E 8/27.5.24

Copy forwarded to the Superintending Engineer,

Trichinopoly Circle for favour of orders as to whether the groundman (or watchman) may be allowed to occupy the building rent free under the circumstances stated by the Principal. The watchman is not included in the list of subordinates, for whom free quarters are allowed mentioned in G. O. No. 1174W dated 17-11-1923 communicated with the Superintending Engineer's No. 6553M dated 29-11-1923.

(Signed) E.E. Marriette
Executive Engineer.
Cauvery Divn.

True Copy

K. S. S. Pillai
27-5-24

Copy of letter No. R. C. 554 of 22 dated the 5th February 1924 from M. R. Ry., Rao Saheb P. Rajagopala Ayyar Avl., M.A., Acting Principal to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

With reference to para 2 of your Pros. R.O. C. No. 3588-D/22 dated 9-1-1923, I have the honour to bring to your notice the following history about the building and the occupancy connected therewith. From your Pros. Dis. No. 4526 of 1912 dated 25-6-1912, it is seen that the administrative approval for building the same at an estimated cost of Rs. 770/- was obtained, and from the letter of this office R.C. No. 51/12

dated 9-6-1912, it is plain that the outhouse~~s~~ was intended to be used as a lodging for the 'groundman', " whose duty it is to look after the arrangements &c for the several games and who is the custodian of the articles belonging to them; and that he should be enabled to live in the premises as it will be advantageous and convenient if the man was always available on the spot." The Executive Engineer has also remarked in his letter Divn No. 3925-S dated 27th May 1922 to this office that the location of the building at the gate and the building of the gate-keeper's lodge will completely put a stop to stranger's trespassing into the compound. The present occupant who is variously designated as 'groundman', 'Marker', watchman and who in fact combines all the above duties in himself has been living in the gate house since the time when it was built free of rent. He ~~owns~~ owns a hut by the roadside but judging from the great convenience it will be for the good *where he is to live in premises of the College* of the College at the gate house, my predecessor then gave him the watch house for living purposes free of rent; and in this I am in full accord with his opinion and action. The location of the tank inside the college compound makes it necessary ~~that~~ that, to keep it in a sanitary condition in this ~~unsanitary~~ insanitary town a watchman is absolutely necessary. The present tenant is a servant of the college Athletic Association who pay him.

The additional duty involved in looking after the immense compound and the tank and protecting them from misuse by trespassers is an extra duty for a marker or a groundman. Under these circumstances I request that you will be pleased to allow him to continue in it rent-free.

He has been on this duty for the past 20 years and more and his good services have been very well appreciated by one and all of my predecessors.

Extract from the *Letter of the* Principal, Government College, Kumbakonam to the Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

"I have the honour to submit a copy of the letter from the Executive Engineer, Cauvery Division and request you to be so good as to obtain the sanction of Government for the rent free occupation of the buildings in question by the Groundman under the circumstances stated in letter R.C.No. 554/22, dated 5th February 1923. *Pr-3-4 ant*

Now that the store room has been erected by the side of the front gate, a watchman is necessary there since the single nightwatchman keeps watch at the office which is nearly half a furlong off the front gate. By housing the groundman at the gate he may be given the responsibility of keeping watch over the store room in addition to the duties, which he is at present performing i.e of keeping watch over and well maintaining the tank, the college athletics ground and the college gardens.

I would therefore, request you will be good enough to obtain the sanction of Government for allowing the Groundman to live in the quarters in question rent free."

Letter from the Principal, Kumbakonam College, R.C.No. 554/22 dated 5th February 1924, to the Director of Public Instruction.

"With reference to para 2 of your Proceedings R.O.C.No. 3599 D/22, dated 9th January 1923, I have the honour to bring to your notice the following history about the building and the occupancy connected therewith. From your Proceedings Dis. No. 4526 of 1912 dated 25th June 1912, it is seen that the administrative approval for building the same at an estimated cost of Rs.770 was obtained and from the letter of this office R.C.No. 51/12 dated 9-6-1912, it is plain that the outhouse was intended to be used as a lodging for the "Ground man" whose duty it is to look after the arrangements etc. for the several games and who is the custodian of the articles belonging to them; and that he should be enabled to live in the premises as it will be advantageous and convenient if the man was always available on the spot. The Executive Engineer has also remarked in his letter Division No.3925 S

dated 27th May 1922 to this office that the location of the building at the gate and the building of gate keeper's lodge will completely put a stop to strangers trespassing into the compound. The present occupant who is variously designated as "groundman" "Marker", "Watchman" who in fact combines all the above duties in himself has been living in the gate house since the time when it was built free of rent. He owns a hut by the roadside; but judging from the great convenience it will be for the good of the college were he to live in the premises of the college at the gate house. My predecessor then gave him the watch house for living purposes free of rent; and in this, I am in full accord with his opinion and action. The location of the tank inside the College compound makes it necessary that, to keep it in a sanitary condition in this insanitary town, a watchman is absolutely necessary. The present tenant is a servant of the college Athletic Association who pay him. The additional duty involved in looking after the immense compound and the tank and protecting them from misuse by trespassers is an extra duty for the marker or a groundman. Under these circumstances I request that you will be pleased to allow him to continue in it rent free. He has been on his duty for the past 20 years and more and his good services have been very well appreciated by one and all of my predecessors.

/True Copies/

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for Director of Public Instruction.

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P.L.D.

2744/c-3 D.W. 6 no. 2764c.

28/11/24

Memo. 2764c-2 & 28.11.24.

Rent free occupation of the
outhouse, Govt. College, Kumbakonam,
by the groundman - letter from the
S.P.I. No. R.C. 546 D/24 & 14.10.24.

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To the S.P.I. Memo. only.

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So remain after a month.

Remain after a month.

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It is observed that, besides the groundman referred to in the Director's letter, a watchman, designated as such, is employed in the Govt. College, Kumbakonam. The Director is requested to examine the possibility of making the watchman do all the watching work in the college premises without the help of the ^{groundman} ~~watchman~~. It should also be reported whether the watchman is provided with free quarters.

Cms 5510 Accts From the D.P.I. - R.O.C. No 546 D/24 14^x/₂₄

Govt College Kumbakonam - on house
used as watchman's quarters

Endt 5510. Ac/24-17 16¹²/₂₄

Referred to the S.E., Trichinopoly
Circle, for very early remarks as
to whether there are separate
lodgings provided for both the
'Groundman' and the 'night watchman'
in the college compound, and if so,
whether rent is recovered from
the latter. Information as to
when the lodgings were constructed
and whether the administrative
approval of Govt was obtained for
their construction should also be
furnished

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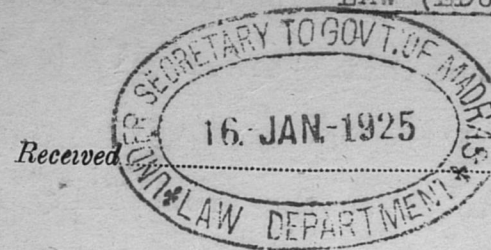
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To
The S.E. Trichinopoly Circle
with the Census & enclos in
orig to be sent with reply

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Rr. sent 29.1.25

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LAW (EDUCATION) DEPARTMENT.



Received 16 JAN 1925 Registered 192 .

Subject.

Government College, Kumbakonam- free quarters to groundman

Law (Edn)

The main file is in the P. W. D., having been sent to them with Edn No 2764 C-3, dt 28.11.24. This may be sent to that Dept: to be added to the main file. P. W. may be requested to return the file in due course with their remarks.

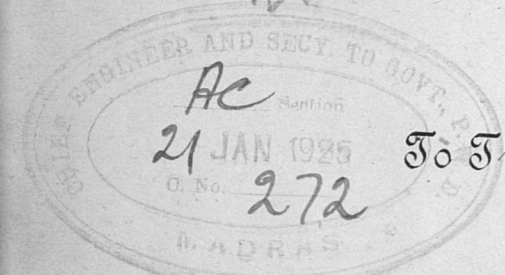
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Station Madras, Dated the 9th January 1925 192 .

From (Name) R. Littlehailes Esq., M.A.,
(Designation) Director of Public Instruction,



To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

LAW (EDUCATION) Department.

Sir,
With reference to Government Memorandum No. 2764 C-2 dated 28th November 1924, I have the honour to state that on an examination of the question of making the watchman in the Government College, Kumbakonam, do all the watching work in the college premises without the help of the groundman, I find that the services of a groundman also ~~are~~ necessary for the college for the following reasons.-
2. The groundman is necessary for keeping the athletic grounds, the college gardens and the tank in the college compound in good order. In addition to these duties, the Principal of the college proposes to make the groundman responsible for the safety of the storehouse near the gate and for looking after the safety of the grounds generally

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during the day, as a sort of gate keeper without extra pay. I submit in this connection that a single night watchman will not be able to do all the watching work day and night and if he is to be made to do so the probability is that he will sleep at night instead of keeping awake and going his rounds.

2. The watchman is not provided with free quarters and is living outside the college compound.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

W. S. S.
for Director of Public Instruction.

P.R. No. 14/1

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Copy of letter No. 710-S.E., dated 27th May 1925 from S.D. Shroff Esquire, B.Sc., M.R.S.I., Offg. Executive Engineer, Cauvery Division, Tanjore, to the Superintending Engineer, Trichinopoly Circle, Trichinopoly.

subject:- Government College - Kumbakonam - Groundman's quarters.

Reference:- Your No. 1302-Cy dated the 24th December 1924.

Only the groundman of the College is provided with quarters and the night watchman lives in his own quarters outside the College compound.

The Groundman's quarters was constructed in 1912-1913 and this is one of the items of the group estimate for improvements to the Government College, Kumbakonam, Estimate Rs. 97,500, G.R. No. 68 of 1910-1911, G.O. No. 23-W dated 10th January 1911. It is seen from the old correspondence in this office that this item was not provided for in the original estimate but has been subsequently added to it on the requisition from Educational Department and provided for in the work slip for Rs. 97,400/- approved by the Superintending Engineer in his No. 605-Cy, dated 21st April 1915.

Administrative approval of the Director of Public Instruction has been obtained for the construction of this building.

No rent has been recovered from the groundman till now for this building.

The enclosures received with your letter under reply are herewith resubmitted.

No. 1418 dated 20 June 1925. Enclosure-2.

Forwarded to the Chief Engineer, P.W.D. with reference to his Memo. No. 5510-Ac/24-1, dated 16th December 1924 the enclosures to which are herewith returned.

No. 2632 Ac/25-1826-15 C.E.'s office
Submitted to Govt.
The main file on the subject was transferred to the P.W. Sect. on 21-5-25.

Sd/- C. Peddie,
5-6-25,
Supg. Engr. Trichy Circle.

For Supg. Engr. Trichy Circle.

To the Secy to Govt. P.W.D. P.S.S/19-6-25-246.

Date. Initials.

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C. No. 2764C From the _____, No. _____, dated _____ 192

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The Government sanction
the occupation by the watchman
in the Grant college,
Kumbhaknam, of the watch-
man's quarters in the
college compound, free of
rent.

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CURRENT NUMBER

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 Cambridge 2768 CT
 21-10-24.

To

The D.P.I (with reference to
his letter Rose No
5000 D24 & 14.10.24)

" H.G. (this Finance Dept)
" Finance Dept
" P.W.D

Note:- In the Special Circs. stated, the
occupation may perhaps be regularised.
~~There~~ P. W. D and Finance is
for acceptance. ✓.TK/

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The grounds for the grant of the rent free concession should be stated in the order. Subject to this remark, the proposal may be accepted in this deptt and the file passed on to Finance us.

vide Rule 45(c), Fundamental Rules

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Finance (C&P)

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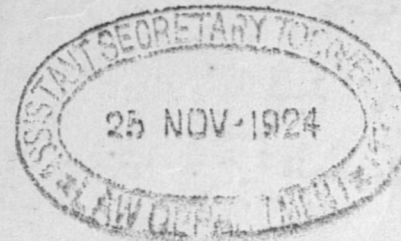
The groundman in question is not a Government servant, but is a servant of the College Athletic Association which employs and pays him. The case is not, therefore, governed by F.R. 45. Besides the groundman, there is a night watchman designated as such and probably paid by Government. If so, the possibility of making the night watchman do all the watching work in the College premises to the exclusion of the groundman should be further investigated.

2. It is stated that the Principal of the College reported in 1912 that the out-house in question was intended for the groundman to be used as his lodging and that the administrative approval for

for building the same was obtained. P.W.D. may be requested to be so good as to put up the papers bearing on the subject, obtaining them from the concerned officers, if necessary.

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The question may await the decision



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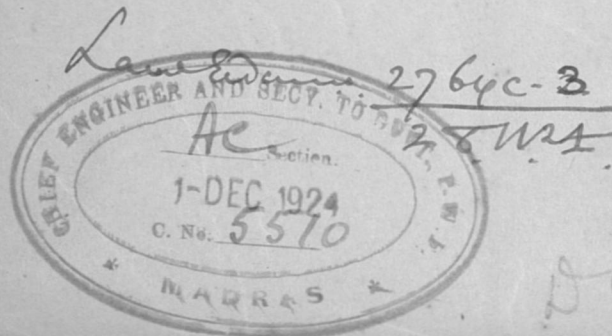
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26/11/24 The decision of the groundman

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3. As far as the present occupation has gone, the groundman has to be treated as an optional tenant subject to pay the standard rent till anything to the contrary is fully investigated and admitted.

4. It is not clear also whether the so-called 'night watchman' is provided with free quarters

Law (C&P)

Law (C&P) Deptt.

At. It is seen from the Principal's letter that the duties of the night watchman & the groundman are different and that it may not be possible to dispense with the Memo. to the S.P.I. is submitted.

2. After issue of the memo. the case may go to the P.W.D. with reference to para. 2 of the Finance Deptt. note above. They may perhaps be able to furnish the information required in para. 4 also.

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us The points referred to in para. 2 and 4 above may be referred to

P.W.D.

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the S.E. for remarks. A draft endorsement is accordingly submitted.

9.12.24

[Issued as memo No. 5510 A/24-1 p. 2 cf
5 16.12.24]

CV: 27242 from the S. of No. 1005468/10.5.25 p. 11.5.25

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Submitted. The S.E.'s reply to
Memo No. 5510 A/24-1 5 16.12.24 may
be awaited till 29.2.25. The
S.E. was reminded on 29.1.25.

11.2.25

From the C.E. (R+B) No. 2632 A/25-1 p. 11 cf
5 26.6.25.

Please see the portions
marked M and K on p. 11 cf.

The groundman's quarters
were not sanctioned by
Govt. but merely included
in the workshop to an estimate
already approved by Govt.

The D.P.I. has approved.

thru S.E.

Indisposed into entry
on 12.2.25
(2 further reminders issued)

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of this item of work. This however was irregular
as he has no powers of administrative
approval in respect of residential buildings.
The S.E. also was wrong in having approved
of the workshop without obtaining the
sanction of Govt. for this item.

X vide A on 1.6.25

2. It is stated that the groundman is
a servant of the College Athletic association
who pay him. Sanction of Govt. will be
necessary if he is to be allowed to occupy
the building free of rent. The estimated cost
was Rs. 770. The annual rent calculated at 6%
will be $6 \times \frac{770}{100} = 46.2$ per annum which is
per annum.

Thru S.E. with reference to above

P. 1005468 (16.7) A/25-1
11/13-7-25

Fin. Law. (25)

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Fin. C. No. 25068 C.S.R.
15.7.25.

Finance (C.S.R.).

[Previous Finance notes
are on pages 2-3 ante]

Para: 1 of Fin. note on

page 2 ante :- The D.P.I. states
that both the groundman and
the watchman are necessary
to do all the watching work
in the College premises - vide

pages 9-10 C-7. It is not clear why the menial staff of the College cannot attend to the watching during day time.

2. Para: 2 of Fin: note on page 2 ante. It is stated that the groundman's quarters was constructed in 1912-13 ^{but} without proper sanction - vide P.W.D note on pages 4-5 ante. The Estimated Cost of the quarters was Rs 770 & the normal rent is about Rs 4 p.m.

Page 5 ante

In view of the lapse of time P.W.D. authorities do not propose to take any action ^{proper} re want of sanction to the construction of the groundman's quarters. ?

3. Paras: 3 & 4 on page 3 ante: The night watchman is not provided with free quarters but lives outside the College compound in his own quarters

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It is seen that the D. P. I. Considers that the groundman should live on the premises & as besides the Athletic Association



+ p. 3 ante

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20-7-25

work, he ^{will be} given College work also - vide N on page 9 ante - he should be allowed the quarters rent free. As already pointed out, not being a Govt servant, he should be treated only as an optional tenant & rent recovered at Rs 4 p.m.

C.R.S.
17-7-25

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Law (Est) propose to him with an unpaid day watchman. Finance need not meet the quarters. Reamers must be needed.

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Law (Est)

Law (S.D.) Dept

Please Finance by Secretary's note marked "A" above. A draft order is submitted below for approval. It may ^{issue} be sent to P.W.D. & ^{warning} for acceptance. This proposal.

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C. No. 2766 From the D.P. 7. R.O.C., No. 5867 dated 14-10-1924.

159/c-25 D. P. S., R. O. C. 546-D/24 9. 1. 1925.

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No. 1272 dated 23-7- 1925.

D.P. 1 speaks of
the "watchman".
What is the meaning
of "groundman".

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The Govt agree with the Director of Public Instruction that the ^{presence of the watchmen} ~~groundman~~ in the Govt College, Kumbakonam, ~~are~~ ^{are} necessary for keeping the athletic grounds, the College gardens and the tank in the College compound in good order ~~and~~ ^{and} for looking to the safety of the storehouse near the ^{college} ~~the~~ gate and of the grounds generally during the day, ~~as a post of gate keeper without extra pay.~~

2/ They accordingly

sanction the occupation
by the ^{to} ~~groundman~~ ⁱⁿ ~~the~~
~~South College, Kumbhakuram,~~
of the ^{watchman's} ~~guard~~ quarters
in the College Compound, free
of rent.

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21.7.25

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for acceptance.

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The D. P. I

" A.S. (Trans' Finance)

" Finance Dept.

" P. W. D.

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