

Financial (1895) Department.

ORDINARY MS.

G.O., No. 4/3.

Dated 24th May 1895.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

STABLES FOR THE HORSES OF THE MAIL CART ESTABLISHMENT:--

Communicating to the Postmaster-General letter from the Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces, Madras, stating that the site suggested for building new---of the Madras General Post Office cannot be relinquished by the Commissariat Department.

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Post Office Department.

From

H. FARRER, Esq.

POSTMASTER GENERAL, MADRAS.

To

THE *Chief* SECRETARY

TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

DEPARTMENT.

No. *34470* dated *Madras*, the *21* *January* 1894.

SIR,

I have the honor to state for the information of Government that for some time past there has been serious mortality among the horses of the Mail Post Establishment of the Madras General Post Office which are kept in stables on the beach opposite the premises of Messrs Parry & Co. The Veterinary Officer in a letter dated the 18th January 1895 and addressed to the Presidency Postmaster, Madras, stated that in his opinion the stables were not in a sanitary condition and suggested that

copy enclosed

that the Government Architect should be consulted
as to the measures necessary for their improve-
ment.

2. This course was taken, and the Government
Architect in his letter No 3331 dated 11th Febry. 1895
to the address of the Presidency Postmaster, a
copy of which is attached, has declared his
conviction that the condition of the stables
is undoubtedly insanitary and has advised
that, as the cost of improving them would amount

to close on \$20,000, it would be a better plan
to give them up and build new stables.

has also suggested that the site now in
possession of the Military Authorities, which is
situated on the Beach Road between Messrs. Par
and Co's premises and the Church of Scotland
Mission Institution, might perhaps be made
available, as it appears to be but little
used at present.

3. I shall feel obliged if Government
will be pleased to have the necessary steps
taken to ascertain whether the site could be
made available for this purpose. I may
mention that it has been found necessary
to remove the horses from the present
buildings and stable them in temporary
sheds, and therefore the position at present

Copy of a communication No. 18 dated 18 Jan. 1895
from Veterinary Captain E. H. Hazelton M.D.
to The Presidency Postmaster Madras

With reference to your No. 20860 of 16-1-95
asking me to report on the condition of the Imperial
Cart Stables, I have the honor to send you my
opinion on the subject.

2. I consider the stables built on too low a
a level there being but a few inches of soil
between the surface & water. The stable floors
are probably in a most insanitary condition
as they can never be thoroughly dry. Heat &
moisture are the two most favorable conditions
for the development of germs of disease such
as the bacillus of anthrax & when these conditions
are present in the stables of the postal service
in Madras.

3. I do not think that the forage on water

eminently satisfactory.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

H. J. J. J.

Postmaster General

W. J.

cessed by the horses are open to the suspicion
of having contained the infection or contagion
which carried off the last horse which died
I have given this subject my best consideration
I am however led to suspect the stabling & from
the circumstances pointed out I think it very
likely that the floors contain the germs which
cause the disease known as Fever in horses.

As regards the remedy for this condition
of stables I consulted the Consulting Architect to
J. J. J.

Government on the subject & I believe he can
propose a scheme to materially improve
stables & do away with the state of affairs
I would suggest that he be asked to con-
sider the matter.

5. The principal point to be borne in
mind is that the present site is about the
same level as the sea & unless the stable
floors are very considerably raised percola-
tion will still continue and the same con-
ditions obtain.

Copy of a communication No 3331 dated 11th July: '95
from the Consulting Architect to the Govt. of Madras
to the Presidency Postmaster Madras.

With reference to your letters Nos 20549
21609 dated respectively 10th & 19th Jan'y: '95 I have
the honor to forward a report from the Senior
Divisional Officer in charge of the building, for
which it will be seen that the condition of
the stables for mail cart horses is undoubtedly
very insanitary & it will require a large outlay
to set them right: no doubt it can be done
by raising them so that the level of the floor
should be the same as that of the Beach
Road. I have had this roughly estimated &
it will amount to close on Rs 20,000 about
the same cost as the original building. I have
consulted the Veterinary Surgeon who is of opinion
that this arrangement might probably answer,
but

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CURRENT NO 607
1895.

Board of Revenue
(Land Revenue),
MADRAS.

To
The Chief Secretary to
Government.

Encl of 4-3-95 N-412
Referred to the Military
Department for favour of
early remittance
Redmick
Chief Secretary

Ob.
26.2.95



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Recd 25/2

Encls 3.

Proceedings, dated 22nd February 1895,
No. 932
Mis. Routine.

Subject

Forw: to Govt: letter from the
Postmaster General, Madras
re: the site for building new
stables for the horses of the
Mail Cart Estab^t of the Madras
General Post Office

From

Lt Genl Commanding the Forces
Madras

N^o. 6312

Dated 15th April 1895
Recd 17th — — —
Regd 17th — — —

(Regarding the) site for building
stables for the horses of the mail
Cart Establishment of the Madras
General Post Office has been referred to
the Genl Officer Commanding the Forces

Dodged.

Not done and sent on
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1895

Date,

Deputy Adjutant General's Office
Votacamund 15th April 1895.

N. 631 M.

From

Lieut. General, G. Mansfield Clarke B.C.

Commanding the Forces

Madras

17. APR. 1895

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

The Secretary to the Government of Madras

Financial Department

Sir

P.C. reminder

With reference to your Memo dated 27th ultimo, to the late Secretary to the Government of Madras, Military Department, (transferred to me for disposal) regarding the site for building stables for the horses of the Mail cart establishment of the Madras General Post Office, I have the honor to state that the question has been referred to the General Officer Commanding, Madras District, on receipt of whose report the matter will be disposed of without delay.

I have the honor to be,
Sir

Your obedient Servant

G. Mansfield Clarke

Lieut. General

Commanding the Forces
Madras

Quartments - Lands

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No. 906 M

18 May 1895

From

The Lieutenant-General COMMANDING the FORCES, Madras.

To

The Chief Secretary
to the Government of Madras

Sir,

In returning your Endorsement No. 1442 of
14th March last (with enclosures) regarding the grant
of a piece of Military land near Messrs. Parry & Co.
premises, at Madras, for the erection of stables for the
horses of the Mail Cart Establishment of the Madras
General Post Office, I have the honor to inform you that
the site in question is occupied by cyclone sheds, which
are absolutely necessary to the Commissariat Department,
and, cannot therefore, it is regretted, be relinquished.

ENCLOSURES.

I have the honor to be,
Sir

Your obedient servant

Respectfully,
Lieut. General
Commanding the Forces.
Madras

Financial Dept?

From

The Lieut. Genl

Commanding the Force
Madras.

Nº 906 in

Dated 18th }
Recd. 20th } May 1895
Repd 21st }

Encl: CNº 503 with Encl: Rep?

Subject

Stating that the Site
suggested for building
new Stables for the
horses of the Mail Carts
Establishment of the
Madras Genl. Post Office
cannot be relinquished
by the Commissariat
Dept?

W.D.

C.S.
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Order of 24th May 1895 Nº 41

Communicated to the

Post Master General

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Post Master General
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