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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 10th November 1857.

No. 38. Read the following letter from Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, dated 15th October 1857, No. 4481.

SIR,

I have the honor to forward herewith a Statement of expenses incurred in making improvements and repairs to the Mint buildings during the year 1856-57, amounting to Rupees (3,124-0-6) three thousand, one hundred and twenty-four, and pice six. This Statement was submitted by the Mint Master to the Superintending Engineer (now Civil Architect) at the Presidency in his letter* of the 29th May last, copy of which and of the Abstract Statement appended to it are herewith transmitted.

* No. 26.

The Extract Minutes of Consultation dated the 27th January last, No. 198, with reference to which the Mint Master submitted the above Statement requires however that he should furnish *monthly* accounts to the Superintending Engineer of his expenditure on repairs, and obtain reimbursement of the same by which course the monthly expenditure of the Mint Master will appear in the monthly journals of his office. This course does not appear to have been pursued, in the past Official year, and in consequence Lieutenant Colonel F. Cotton requests that the sanction of Government may be obtained to the reimbursement of the expenditure up to 30th April 1857, in order to its being replaced to the account from which it was drawn, viz., the advance which was received by the Mint for the manufacture of waist plates for the Army.

Lieutenant Colonel F. Cotton's attention will be requested to the future adjustment of the Mint expenses on repairs in the manner laid down by Government, as well as to the necessity for submitting estimates in the first instance for sanction before carrying out any improvements of the kind detailed in the Statement of charges now submitted, and I beg to recommend under the circumstances explained of his letter above referred to, that the sanction of Government be accorded for the sum of Rupees (3,124-0-6) three thousand, one hundred and twenty-four, and pice six, the amount of the Bill, and for the disbursement to the Mint Master of the balance of Rupees (2,124-0-6) two thousand, one hundred and twenty-four, and pice six, after deducting the advance of Rupees (1,000,) one thousand, made to that Officer in May 1856. The Mint Master claims Rupees (2,195-8-8) two thousand, one hundred and ninty-five, annas eight and pice eight, as the balance payable, the difference Rupees (71-8-2) seventy-one, annas eight and pice two, however has been ascertained to refer to a balance due to him on account of an excess of expenditure in the years previous to 30th April 1856, over the advances received to that date, which the Mint Master will be requested to obtain reimbursement of, in communication with the Accountant General, who adjusted all expenditure previous to the 30th April 1856.

Letter from Lieutenant Colonel F. C. COTTON, Engineers Acting Mint Master; to Lieutenant Colonel W. H. ATKINSON, Superintending Engineer, dated 29th May 1857, No. 26.

SIR,

Para. 1st. With reference to Minutes of Consultation of Government of the 27th January 1857, I do myself the honor to forward a statement of the current repairs &c. of the Mint buildings and beg you will be pleased to obtain sanction for the amount expended in excess of that received in June 1856, viz. Rupees 2,195-8-8.

No. 198, para. 5.

2nd. Some portion of the expenditure enumerated in the statement has been made (as I have already observed to the Mint Committee, in my letter of the 27th November 1856,) with the view to effect certain improvements in the Mint for facilitating the work and increasing the outturn of coin rendered necessary by the increase in the bullion tendered and the greater demand of Copper Coin.

3rd. The present statement having been completed up to the end of the past Official year accounts for the variation observable between it and the one sent to the Mint Committee last November.

4th. Under these circumstances I hope that the sanction herein solicited will be obtained as early as possible to enable me to reimburse the sum drawn from the advance made to the Mint for the manufacture of waist plates for the Army.

No. 39. ORDER THEREON, No. 2076; dated 6th November 1857.

The Chief Engineer submits for sanction a statement of expenses incurred in making improvements and repairs to the Mint buildings during the year 1856-57, amounting to Rupees 3,124-0-6. In para. 5 of the order of Government dated 27th January 1857, No. 198, the Mint Master was required to draw from the Superintending Engineer (now Civil Architect) the amount expended by him from 1st May 1856, and to repay the advance received by him from the Sub Treasurer out of the money so obtained; and the Government do not understand why this order has not been attended to by Colonel Cotton. If the course prescribed by Government in the order just alluded to had been correctly followed, the Mint Master would have had no occasion to disburse any money from the advance received by him for some other purpose.

2. The statement above referred to contains many items of additions and improvements to the Mint buildings, which should not have been undertaken without the previous sanction of Government, but as many of them had been probably commenced before the orders of 27th January, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council is pleased to sanction Rupees (3,124-0-6,) three thousand, one hundered and twenty-four, and pice six, being the sum expended in 1856-57. This sum will be disbursed by the Civil Architect out of the fund placed at his disposal for the expenditure in 1857-58; 1,000 Rupees will be refunded to the Sub Treasurer, being the advance made by him under the orders of 27th May 1856, and the remainder Rupees 2,124-0-6, will be remitted to the Mint Master. In regard to the balance of Rupees 71-8-2 stated to be due to Colonel Cotton on account of an excess of expenditure in the years previous to 30th April 1856 over the advances received to that date, the Government observe that it should have been drawn immediately after the receipt of sanction for the entire expenditure. If the Accountant General finds from the accounts that the balance is actually due, it will be disbursed to the Mint Master.

3. The attention of the Mint Master will be called to the orders of Government dated 27th January 1857, and he will be requested strictly to follow the course there prescribed in respect to drawing funds and accounting for expenditure by furnishing the Civil Architect with monthly statements.

(Signed) H. FORBES,
Acting Secretary to Government.

Central Office of P.W.
Fort Saint George
15th October 1857

No. 4407.

From
The Chief Engineer

To
The Secretary
to Government P.W.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith a Statement of expenses incurred in making improvements and repairs to the Mint Buildings during the year 1856/57 amounting to Rupees 3,124-0-6 (three thousand one hundred and twenty four and pice six)

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This Statement was submitted by the Mint Master to the Superintending Engineer (now Civil Architect) at the Presidency in his letter of the 29th May last. Copy of which and of the Abstract Statement appended to it are herewith transmitted.

x No 26.

The Extract Minutes of Consultation dated the 27th January last. No. 198, with reference to which the Mint Master submitted the above Statement requires however that he should furnish Monthly Accounts

dated

Accounts to the Superintending Engineer of his
Expenditure on repairs, and obtain reimbursement
of the same by which course the monthly Expenditure
of the Mint Master will appear in the Monthly Journals
of his Office. This course does not appear to have
been pursued in the last Official Year, and in consequence
Lieutenant Colonel F. Cotton requests that the sanction
of Government may be obtained to the reimbursement
of the Expenditure up to 30th April 1857 in order to it
being replaced to the Account from which it was drawn
Viz. the advance which was received by the Mint for
the manufacture of Marine Plates for the Army.

Lieutenant Colonel F. Cotton's attention
will be requested to the future adjustment of the Mint
Expenses on Repairs in the manner laid down by
Government as well as to the necessity for submitting
Estimates in the first instance for sanction before
carrying out any improvements of the Kind detailed in
the Statement of charges now submitted, and Shews
to recommend under the circumstances explained in the
letter above referred to, that the sanction of Government
be accorded for the sum of Rupees 3124: .. 6 three
thousand one hundred and twenty four and pice six the
amount of the Bill, and for the disbursement to the
Mint

Mint Master of the balance of Rupees 2124: .. 6
two thousand one hundred and twenty four and pice six
after deducting the advance of Rupees 1000 ..... one
thousand made to that Officer in May 1856. The Mint
Master claims Rupees 2195: 8: 8 two thousand one
hundred and ninety five annas eight and pice eight
as the balance payable, the difference Rupees 71: 8: 2
seventy one annas eight and pice two however has been
ascertained to refer to a balance due to him on account
of an excess of Expenditure in the Years previous to 30th
April 1856, over the advances received to that date,
which the Mint Master will be requested to obtain
reimbursement of, in communication with the
Accountant General, who adjusted all Expenditure
previous to the 30th April 1856. —

Central Office of P.W.
Fort Saint George
15 October 1857.

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
C.B. Foster Colonel
Chief Engineer

dated

Public Works Deptt

No 2076.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Under date the 6th Novr 1857.

Read the following letter from the Chief Engineer.

Received 15th October 1857
No 4481

The Chief Engineer submits for sanction a statement of expenses incurred in making improvements and repairs to the Mint Buildings during the year 1856/57, amounting to Rupees 3/24-:-6. In Para 5 of the Order of Government dated

Dy. No. 2076 dated 15th October 1857

From
The Chief Engineer.
To
The Secretary to Govt. N.W.P. &c.

Dated Roorkee
the 17th October 1857.

2 Enclos: Estimate

No 4481 B.

Rupees 2076.6 Annas.

Submits for sanction the last Madras Statement of Expenditure on Mint Buildings during 1856/57 with observations on the same, and by that Officer on the subject.

Requests authority for the reimbursement of the sum to Colonel Lloyd late Agent Mint Madras.

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No 38.

dated 27th January 1857 No 198

the Mint Master was required to draw from the Superintending Engineer (now Civil Architect) the amount expended by him from 1st May 1856, and to repay the advance received by him from the Sub Treasurer out of the money so obtained, and the Government desire to understand why this order has not been attended to by Colonel Cotton: If the course prescribed by Government in the order just alluded to had been correctly followed, the Mint Master would have had no occasion to disburse any

any money from the advance received by him ~~Mint~~ ~~Master~~ for some other purposes.

2 The statement above referred to contains many items of additions and improvements to the Mint Buildings which should not have been undertaken without the previous sanction of Government, but as many of them had been probably commenced before the orders of 27th January, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council is pleased to sanction Rupees 3,124-

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Three Thousand One hundred
and twenty four, and
Pice Six, being the sum
expended in 1856/57. This
sum will be disbursed
by the Civil Architect
out of the Fund placed
at his disposal for
the expenditure in 1857/58;
~~out of which~~ 1,000 Rupees
will be refunded to the
Sub Treasurer, being
the advance made by
him under the orders
of 27th May 1856, and
the remainder Rs. 2,124-11-6
will be remitted to the
Mint Master - In lieu
and to the balance of
Rupees 11-8-2 stated to be
due to Colonel Cotton
on

on account of an excess
of expenditure in the
years previous to 30th April
1856 over the advances
received to that date,
the Government observe
that it should have been
drawn immediately
after the receipt of
sanction for the entire
expenditure. If the
Accountant General
finds from the accounts
that the balance is actually
due, it will be disbursed
to the Mint Master.

The attention
of the Mint Master
will be called to the Orders
of Government dated 27th
January 1857, and he
will

will be requested, strictly to follow the course there prescribed in respect to drawing funds and accounting for ex-penditure by furnish-ing the Civil Architect with monthly Statements.

&c. &c.

[signature]

Copies to the Chief Engr. Bellows Col. Cullum Capt. Turnbull
1 — " Asst. Engr
1 — " Sub Treasurer

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No. 2496.

Extract Minute of Council
dated 2nd Nov. 57.

Calling the attention of the Mint Master to the order of the 27th January 1857 directing the drawing limits and accounting for the expenditure by furnishing the Civil Architect with Monthly Statements.

No 938 & 39.

27 Oct 1857