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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 8th December 1857.

No. 94. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer, dated 10th November 1857, No. 5105.

Read the following Extract Minutes of Consultation P. W. D.

Communicates a letter from the Secretary to the Government of India giving cover to a despatch from the Honorable Court regarding the duties and allowances of certain Officers of the D. P. W., and of Superintending Engineers in particular. Calls for information required by the Court in para 12 of the despatch as to the accurate amount of charge to be incurred by the new Establishment in the Madras Presidency. } (Here enter 6th November 1857, No. 2072.)

1. Resolved to apply to the Secretary to Government Department of Public Works with reference to the information which the Chief Engineer has been called upon to supply with reference to para. 12 of the Honorable Court's Despatch No. 14 of the 6th May 1857, in order that Colonel Faber, may be clearly instructed whether he is to consider the standard of the Department of Public Works in the Madras Presidency to that declared its permanent strength in the Government Notification of the 27th January 1857, or whether his computations are to be grounded on the revision introduced by order of the Governor General of India in Council in the Government Gazette Extraordinary of the 18th July last.

2. As affecting this question, the Chief Engineer begs leave to observe that in order for any comparison to hold good relating to the already ascertained augmented charges for Bengal, the North Western Provinces, the Punjab Saugor and Pegu, it would seem to be requisite that Colonel Faber should avail himself of the first scale which represents the strength deliberately arrived at as indispensable for the just wants of the Madras Presidency, rather than that now authorized to meet the financial embarassments of the Indian Empire, which are assumed to be temporary only.

(Signed) C. E. FABER, Colonel,
Chief Engineer.

No. 95. ORDER THEREON, No. 2284; dated 8th December 1857.

With reference to the Honorable Court's request to be informed of the exact amount of charge to be incurred by the new Establishment of the Department Public Works in the Madras Presidency, the Chief Engineer desires instructions as to whether he is to consider the establishment notified on the 27th January 1857 as the permanent strength, or whether his computations are to be grounded on the revision introduced on the 18th July last. The Government direct that a statement be prepared in reference to the Establishments sanctioned both on the 27th January and 18th July 1857.

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

No. 5705

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works.

Under date the 10th November 1857.

Read the following

Extract Minutes of Consultation P. No. 9.

Communicates a letter from the Secretary to the Government of India giving cover to a Despatch from the Honorable Court regarding the duties and allowances of certain Officers of the D.P.W. and of Superintending Engineers in particular. Calls for information required by the Court in para 12 of the Despatch and to the necessary amount of charge to be incurred by the new Establishment in the Madras Presidency. (Her Cypher dated 6th Nov. 57. No. 2672)

Resolved to apply to the Secretary to Government Department of Public Works with reference to the information which the Chief Engineer has been called upon to supply with reference to Para 12 of the Honorable Court's Despatch No. 4. of the 6th May 1857 in order that Lt. Col. Faber may be clearly instructed whether he is to consider the Standard of the Department of Public Works in the Madras Presidency to be that declared its permanent strength in the Government Notification of the 24th January 1857, or whether

whether his Computations are to be grounded on the Revision now introduced by order of the Governor General of India in Council in the Government Gazette Extraordinary of the 18th July last.

2. As affecting this question, the Chief Engineer begs leave to observe that in order for any Subdivision of a Field year to coincide with ascertained employment charges for Bengal, the North Western Provinces, the Punjab, Bengal and Sagor, it would seem to be requisite that Colonel Baker should avail himself of the first Scale which represents the strength deliberately arrived at as the most favourable for the future Establishment of the respective Presidency, Province or Local Corps, and the proportional Cadre of the Regiments of Cavalry and Infantry of the Punjab Frontier Force, which are assumed to be the same for one year only.

(True Extract.)

H. Baker Colonel
Chief Engineer

To
The Secretary to Government
Department of Public Works.
Fort St. George.

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No. 2717.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer on the Dept. of Public Works.

To The Secy. to Government P. W. Dept.

Dated 10th
Rec'd 11th } November 1857.

No. 3705.

From Do. 24th Dec. 57
C. No. 2578 in C. 23-M.

Applying for answers to queries as to whether the Chief Engineer is to consider the establishment of the P. W. Dept. in the Madras Presidency as declared to be permanent strength from the 27th January 1857 or whether the communications are to be grounded on the provision introduced on the 8th July last. If the Government direct that a statement be prepared in reference to the establishments sanctioned both on the 27th January and 18th July 1857.

No. 2284.

With reference to the Honorable Court's request to be informed of the exact amount of charge to be incurred by the new Establishment of the Department P. W. in the Madras Presidency, the Chief Engineer desires instructions as to whether he is to consider the establishment voted on the 27th January 1857 as the permanent strength, or whether his communications are to be grounded on the provision introduced on the 8th July last. If the Government direct that a statement be prepared in reference to the Establishments sanctioned both on the 27th January and 18th July 1857.

From Secy. to Govt. 6th Dec. 1857

Copies to the Chief Engr.

No. 4795.

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With an order
No. 2284. 8th Dec.