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No. 1. Read the following Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Military Department, dated 7th December 1857.

Read the following letter from Colonel F. A. REID, Quarter Master General of the Army; to Colonel C. A. BROWNE, Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated 5th December 1857, No. 549.

SIR,

I have the honor by desire of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief to forward, copies of letters from the Officer Commanding Centre Division and from the Collector and Medical Officer at Cuddalore, and request you will be good enough to solicit the sanction of Government for the execution of the works therein alluded to, as under.

1st. That an additional room may be built to the Civil Dispensary for the accommodation of the Battalion of Invalids when moved into their new Lines at Munjeecoopum, their present Hospital in the old Town, being three miles distant.

2nd. That the Civil Engineer of the District may be directed to have three Wells built at once in the Lines (in the spot marked out) in order to facilitate the erection of the mud walls, as soon as the monsoon is over.

Letter from Major General P. E. CRAIGIE, Commanding Centre Division; to Colonel F. A. REID, Quarter Master General of the Army, dated 28th November 1857, No. 874.

SIR,

As the time approaches when the building of the Sepoy's Huts at Cuddalore, may be commenced, I beg to forward two letters with the opinion of the Collector and Civil Surgeon of the station, relative to the Hospital accommodation of the Invalid Sepoys, when they may be removed to their new lines, as called for in your letter No. 821, dated 17th May 1856; and would recommend, that the additional room may be built to the Civil Dispensary which is conveniently situated to the Barracks and Lines, and will save the expense of an extra Establishment.

I would also beg that the Civil Engineer may be called upon to have the Wells in the Lines built at once, that they may be available when the mud walls are commenced, otherwise much delay will be occasioned by the distance from which the water must be carried.

Should His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, intend visiting Cuddalore in his tour of Inspection, I will with his permission direct my Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General to meet him there, to point out the proposed alterations.

Letter from A. HALL, Esq., Collector of South Arcot; to Major General P. E. CRAIGIE, Commanding Centre Division, dated Cuddalore, 24th May 1856.

SIR,

I have the Honor to state in reply to your letter of the 19th Instant, that I am of opinion that when the new Lines are built at Munjeecoopum for the Veterans at this station, it will be very desirable, that the men should be able to obtain Medical treatment at the Civil Dispensary instead of having to go all the way to Old Town, a distance of three miles, for such a purpose.

2. I beg however to observe, that the Medical man now in charge here, does not consider that the Dispensary, in its present state, affords sufficient accommodation to admit the proposed course being adopted.

3. Copy of his letter is herewith forwarded, and with it, I beg to recommend that the additional room which he thinks will be necessary for the Sepoys, may be built.

4. At present the Veterans are treated in a small out-house attached to the Depôt Hospital in Old Town, but it would be a great pity for the men, when they are once located at Munjeecoopum, to have to go so far as Old Town for Medical aid, when it could be got so close at hand, as the Civil Dispensary.

Letter from R. PORTER, Esq., Assistant Surgeon, Cuddalore; to A. HALL, Esq., Collector of South Arcot.

SIR,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated May 22nd, accompanied by the copy of a letter received from Major General Craigie. In reply to your question whether the Sepoys of the Detachment of Veterans can receive Medical treatment at the Civil Dispensary I beg to offer it as my opinion that to do this efficiently, an additional room capable of affording space for 4 or more beds is required.

2. The Dispensary contains 3 sick wards, a men's ward, a women's ward, and a room set apart for cases of severe contagious disease, &c.

3. The building was originally built to contain 16 In-Patients (vide No. of beds.) The average No. of Inmates throughout the year was stated in last yearly Report to be 14½, thus leaving not quite 2 spare beds to meet emergencies.

4. The average No. of sick in Hospital of the Veteran Detachment has been 4, consequently without trespassing on the accommodation laid down for Civil Patients, no cases of Sepoys, &c., could be admitted without an extension of the present building or the erection of a small house sufficiently near to admit of the Dispensary furnishing Medical aid to both.

Referred to the Department of Public Works for early notice.

(Signed) W. H. WAPSHARE, Major,
Acting Deputy Secretary to Government.

No. 2. ORDER THEREON, No. 2326; dated 16th December 1857.

Ordered to be communicated to the Chief Engineer with a request that he will instruct the District Engineer of South Arcot to submit Estimates for the works referred to in the foregoing correspondence.

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

Military Department.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Under date the 7th December 1857

Read the following letter

No. 1549

From

The Quarter Master General
of the Army

To

The Secretary to Government
Military Department

Sir,

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His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief
to forward, copies of letters from the
Officer Commanding Centre Division
and from the Collector and Medical
Officer at Cuddalore, and request
you will be good enough to solicit
the sanction of Government, for the
expenditure

recommendation of the works therein alluded to, as under.

1st That an additional room may be built to the Civil Dispensary for the accommodation of the Battalion of Invalids when moved into their new lines at Monjicaroopanny, their present Hospital in the old Town, being three miles distant.

2nd That the Civil Engineer of the District may be directed to cause three wells built at once in the lines (in the spot marked out) in order to facilitate the erection of the Mud walls, as soon as the Monsoon is over.

I have &c.
(Signed) F. A. Reids
Dy. Mr. General

5th Dec. 1857

To

No 8710

To

The Quarter Master General
of the Army

Sir,

As the time approaches when the Building of the Sepoys Huts at Cuddalore may be commenced, I beg to forward two letters with the opinions of the Collector and Civil Surgeon of the station, relative to the Hospital accommodation of the Invalid Sepoys, when they may be removed to their new lines, as called for in your letter dated (+ No 821) 17th May 1856, and would recommend, that the additional room may be built to the Civil Dispensary which is conveniently situated to the Barracks and lines, and will save the expense of an Extra Establishment.

I would also beg that the Civil Engineer

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Engineer may be called upon to have the wells in the Lines built at once, that they may be available when the Mud walls are commenced, otherwise much delay will be occasioned by the distance from which the water must be carried.

Should His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, intend visiting Cuddalore in his tour of Inspection I will with his permission direct my Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General to meet him there to point out the proposed alterations.

Hd Qrs Centre Dn
Madras 28th Novr 1857

Signed J. P. E. Craigie Major Genl
Commanding Centre Division

From

From

M. Hall, Esqre
Collector of South Arcot

To

Major General Craigie,
Commanding Centre Division

Sir,

I have the honor to state in reply to your letter of the 19th Instant, that I am of opinion, that when the new Lines are built at Chingleput for the Veterans at that station, it will be very desirable, that the sick should be able to obtain medical treatment at the Civil dispensary instead of having to go all the way to Ale Lower a distance of three miles for each visit.

2 I beg however to observe, that the Medical Department have no charge here, does not

not consider that the dispensary, in its present state, affords sufficient accommodation to admit the proposed course being adopted.

3 Copy of his letter is herewith forwarded, and with it, I beg to recommend that the additional rooms which he thinks will be necessary for the Sepoys, may be built.

4 At present the Veterans are treated in a small out-house attached to the depot Hospital in Old Town, but it would be a great pity for the men, when they are once located at Monjeecoprim, to have to go to Fort or Old Town for medical aid, when it could be got so close at hand, as the Civil dispensary.

South Arcot Collr's Cutcherry
Cuddalore 26th May 1855

[illegible] A. Hall
Collector

From

R. Porter Esqre
Assistant Surgeon
Cuddalore

&c &c &c

A. Hall, Esqre
Collector of South Arcot

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 22nd May 55 accompanied by the copy of a letter received from Major General Cragie. In reply to your question whether the Sepoys of the Detachment of Veterans can receive Medical treatment at the Civil Dispensary. I beg to offer it as my opinion that to do this effectually, an additional room capable of containing 4 beds for in-patients is required.

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Dispensary

Dispensary furnishing medical aid to
both.

[Signed] Ro. Porter
Assistant Surgeon

[True Copy]
[sign] M. Hall
Collector

[True Copies]
[signed] Arthur Drury
Ag Asst Dy Gen Genl
of the Army

Referred to the Department
of Public Works for early notice.

[Signed] W. H. Wareham Major
Ag. Dy Secretary to Govt

To

The Department Public Works

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evidence, a Letter from the Paymaster General of the army, forwarding Copies of Certain correspondence, and requesting that an additional room may be built to the Civil Dispensary for the accommodation of the Sons of Invalids who have removed into their new Lines at Munjaroo Cham, and that the

No 2326. 16th Dec. Civil Public Orders &

civil Engineer of the District, may be directed to have three Wells built at once in the Lines, on the spot marked out, in order to facilitate the erection of the Mud Walls, as soon as the Monsoon is over.

No 2326.

Ordered to be communicated to the Chief Engineer and Secretary Military Department, with a request that the Retrenchment Engineer may be directed to cause the Wells to be built, for the Civil Dispensary, as proposed.

No 142.