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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 23rd December 1857.

No. 39. Read the following Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Military Department, dated 10th December 1857, No. 4482.

Read the following papers.

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

(Here enter 30th November 1857, No. 5555.)

From the Quarter Master General of the Army; to the Secretary to Government Military Department.

SIR,

In reply to the Resolution of Government, dated 2nd Instant regarding Temporary Barracks at Trichopoly. I am instructed by the Commander-in-Chief to say that His Excellency considers the erection of Temporary Barracks for a complete Regiment of European Infantry, should be proceeded with. It is most probable, we shall find much difficulty in providing accommodation for Europeans even with this addition to our present means, if Her Majestys 43rd Light Infantry and the 1st Fusiliers return to us, and the wing of 2nd European Light Infantry comes back from Pegu, on the two Regiments coming from England reaching this country.

The Governor in Council sanctions the construction of temporary Barracks at Trichinopoly to complete the accommodation for a Regiment of European Infantry.

(Signed) W. H. WAPSHARE, Major,
Ag. Dy. Secretary to Government.

No. 40. ORDER THEREON, No. 2346; dated 18th December 1857.

The Chief Engineer will be good enough to obtain and submit without delay, an Estimate of the cost of the temporary Barracks at Trichinopoly sanctioned in the above Extract; but the work will meanwhile be proceeded with.

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

No 993.

From

Lt. J. G. Royes

Dr Engrs

To

The Chief Engineer Dept

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge
receipt of your Resolution No 5396, on
Extract Minute of Counc: No 2123, of the
date 18th November.

2. I have already, in my letter
No 958, dated 18th November, explained
the misapprehension under which
the Government expressed dissatis-
faction at the measures taken
by me. This misapprehension having
been caused by an observation in
a letter from the Major General
Commanding this Division to the
address of the Quarter Master
General of the Army.

3. In justice to myself I must
here remark that the embodiment
of my professional opinion in the
above letter was made without my
knowledge and that my opinion

Could

could only have been gathered from one or two personal conversations on the subject.

4. There are therefore necessarily some statements which may appear to be in accordance with my views but which had I been referred to for a deliberate opinion, would certainly not have been made.

5. I have already forwarded copies of the documents noted in the margin from which you will observe that the Quarter Master General has ordered the reconstruction of the Temporary Barracks at this Station on the authority given by Government to incur any temporary outlay required to complete the accommodation for one Regt ?

6. The Permanent Barracks provide ample accommodation for one Regt the Troop of Horse Artillery having left the Station but as it appears from the Quarter Masters General's letter to Colonel Birch that it is the Commander in Chief's intention to send only one Regt

Copies of a letter from the Genl Comg in Chief & enclosures & an order of Genl Mc Leod to the Letter from the Secy to the Govt of the Army Communicating that order which forwarded with my letter 8th Sept 1857

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of a European Regiment to this station until new Barracks are completed. the Reconstruction of the Temporary Barracks will be an unnecessary measure involving an expenditure of public money amounting to about 20.000 Rupees.

7. You will observe that the Officer Commanding the Division in his letter to my address No 924 dated 12 Instant calls upon me to reconstruct the Temporary Barracks as an Emergent work. I have therefore commenced work but earnestly solicit immediate instructions on the subject to prevent any further waste of Public money in case these temporary barracks should, as I expect, be countermanded.

I have &c
(sd) J. G. Ryves
Dy Asst Qr Mr Genl

District Qr Mr Office
Secunderabad
25th Sept 57.

True Copy
A. Bell Lieut
Chief Engr

Cantt

Military Department.

No. 1482

Extract from the Minutes of Consultations

10th December 1857.

Read the following Papers.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer Public Works Department

(Here enter 30th November 1857 No 5555)

Quarter Master General's Office

No. 555.

From The Quarter Master General of the Army.

To The Secretary to Government Military Department.

Sir,

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Inclosure in Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer Public Works Department dated 30th November 1857

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Read

Copy of a Letter from the Executive Engineer Trichinopoly dated 28th November 1857 Forwarding Estimate for Temporary Barracks at Trichinopoly and requesting Sanction to the Expenditure

Read

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to us, and the wing of 2nd European Light Infantry
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coming from England reaching this Country.

Fort St. George
7th December 1857 } (Signed) F. A. Reid.
Quarter Master Genl

The Governor in Council sanctions
the construction of temporary Barracks at
Trichinopoly to complete the accommodation
for a Regiment of European Infantry.

(Signed) W. A. Wapshare Major
Offg Dy Secy to Govt

To
The Department Public Works } 10
with Estimate returned }
Quarter Master General. 10

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Fort St. George
18.th Dec.r 1857

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