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No. 1. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer, dated 22nd April 1857, No. 11949.

Read the following letter from Lieutenant E. HEMERY, District Engineer of Cuddapah; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated Camp Rayachoty, 14th April 1857, No. 1213.

SIR,

Lieutenant Palmer Executive Engineer 4th Class in charge of the Southern Range of this District has on several occasions lately brought to my notice the great inconvenience to which he is put by the repeated illness from fever, of his public and private servants and he has begged of me to request you would be so good as to obtain the sanction of Government for the issue on payment from the Government stores of the warm clothing specified in the accompanying Indent.

I take this opportunity of suggesting that all Officers of the Department Public Works should be allowed to indent on the Superintendent and Agent for Army Clothing for such articles as they may require namely: Lascar's jackets, woollen blankets, &c., and I feel convinced that such an arrangement would greatly contribute to the efficiency of our marching establishments. Every Officer of the Department Public Works in this District during the last cold season was seriously inconvenienced by the illness of his office people, and on the 6th December Lieutenant Palmer wrote as follows:

" I have the honor to inform you that on arrival here I found Mr. Haddock the Overseer " who had preceded me by a day or two, laid up with Rheumatism and unable to attend to his " duties."

" Last year my office people, Lascars and two other Overseers were from fever and ague " incapacitated in a similar way and indeed I was myself obliged to proceed to Chittoor for " medical advice."

" This year all the public and private servants attached to my Camp have again suffered, but " fortunately myself and family have escaped, I attribute this exemption entirely to the precau- " tion of wearing woollen clothes and it induces me to request you will be good enough to sup- " port my application that the Chief Engineer may be pleased to obtain the sanction of the " authorities in Madras to issue on indent, supplies of warm clothing, the price of the same to " be made good by the responsibility of the Officer signing the indent.

Indent on the Superintendent and Agent for Army Clothing for the undermentioned articles on payment.

Articles.	Number required.	Number sanctioned.	Price.	For what purpose required.	Remarks.
Blankets red, woollen double... ...	2		Rs. A. P.	For the use of the establishment attached to Lieutenant Palmer, 2nd Assistant Civil Engineer, South Cuddapah.	
Do. do. single	6				
Jackets, Lascars...	7				
Trowsers, woollen 1st size...	7				
Socks, woollen...	1 pair				
Cloth, red woollen...	8 yards				
Do. dark do.	4 yards				

2nd Assistant Civil Engineer's office, Cuddapah District. Camp Muddenpully, 6th December 1856.

(Signed) G. PALMER, Lieut.,
2nd Assistant Civil Engineer, Cuddapah District.
(Signed) E. HEMERY, Lieut.,
Civil Engineer, Cuddapah District.

Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 19th May 1857.

Resolved that a copy of the above letter be forwarded to Government with a request that the Indent for blankets, clothing &c., on payment be complied with for the reasons assigned by Lieutenant Hemery. The Chief Engineer feels no doubt of the utility of woollen clothing in the prevention of disease arising from exposure to cold and damp localities.

(A true Extract.)

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

No. 2. ORDER THEREON, No. 921 ; dated 13th May 1857.

Resolved that the foregoing Proceedings and the Indent accompanying be forwarded to the Superintendent and Agent for Army Clothing, with the request that he will meet the requisition of Lieutenant Hemery on payment. The Superintendent will be good enough to state whether it will be in his power to comply with the Indents of the Officers of the Public Works Department for such articles as they may require from the Clothing Stores on payment.

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

No. 921

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Fort St. George
13th May 1857

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