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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 26th May 1857.

No. 7. Read the following letter from Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, dated 1st May 1857, No. 12.

SIR,

I have the honor, to forward under Clause 2, of Extract from the Minutes of Consultation No. 696, dated 18th October 1855, the accompanying plans, and estimates, for repairs and improvements to the bungalow at Coonoor, on the Neilgherry Hills.

1. Letter No. 61 dated 16th February 1857, from the Collector of Coimbatore.
1. Do. No. 14 dated 9th February 1857, from the District Engineer do.
1. Plan of Travellers Bungalow.
1. Do. of out houses & stables with report estimate attached.
1. Abstract estimate.
1. Letter No. 145 from Lieutenant Stewart Assistant Civil Engineer.
1. Extract of Proceeding from the Board of Revenue No. 1099, dated 8th April 1857.

2. The estimate amounting to Rupees (4,780) four thousand, seven hundred, and eighty, provides for the thorough repair of the bungalow for new furniture for two new bath rooms for a new kitchen, and for a new out-house, and stables, it has been submitted to the Board of Revenue, who have approved of all the items, except of that for the carpets, which amounts to Rupees 310, or 6 per cent, of the whole estimate.

3. The rates generally, are moderate, but sufficient, and I do not think that for the Carpets very extravagant, I have therefore the honor to recommend that for the convenience of Travellers to the Hills, this estimate receive the sanction of Government its amount being Rupees (4,780) four thousand, seven hundred and eighty, Lieutenant Stewart, by whom the estimate was prepared, having given full and satisfactory explanations for every item entered in his estimate.

No. 8. ORDER THEREON, No. 969; dated 20th May 1857.

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council sanctions the estimate submitted with the foregoing letter, amounting to Rupees (4,780) four thousand, seven hundred and eighty, for repairing and improving the Traveller's bungalow at Coonoor in the District of Coimbatore. As the bungalow is much frequented by Travellers it is desirable that it should be put into proper order without loss of time. The estimate ought to have been submitted in time for entry in the Budget of 1857-58, with reference to the remarks contained in para. 3 of the Extract Minutes Consultation, dated 26th November 1856, Revenue Department No. 1195. The estimate now submitted provides Rupees 1,636 for furniture, and Rupees 3,144 for repairs and improvements. The cost of furniture will be included in the contingent charges; and for the latter sum, Rupees 3,144 sanction is granted out of the one lac fund, and the work will at once be proceeded with.

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

Central Office of P.Ws
Fort St. George 1st May 57

No. 12

From The Chief Engineer D.P.Ws

To The Secretary to Govt. P.W.D.

Sir,

Public Buildings Bungalow at Coonoor

I have the honor to forward under Clause 2 of Gr. from the Mins: of Con. No. 696, dated 8th October 1855, the accompanying plans, and estimates, for repairs and improvements to the bungalow at Coonoor, on the Neilgherry Hills.

2. The Estimate amounting to Rupees 14700 / four thousand, seven hundred, and eighty, provides for the thorough repair of the bungalow for new furniture for two new bath rooms for a new kitchen, and for a new outhouses, and stables; it has been submitted to the Board of Revenue, who have approved of all the items, except of that for the carpets, which amounts to Rupees 310, or 6 per Cent. of the whole Estimate.-

3. The Rates generally, are moderate, but sufficient, and I do not

not think that for the Carpets very extravagant. I have therefore the honor to recommend that for the convenience of travellers to the Hills, this Estimate receive the sanction of Government - its amount being Rupees (4780) Four thousand Seven hundreds and eighty, Lieutenant Stewart, by whom the Estimate was prepared, having given full and satisfactory explanations for every item entered in the Estimate.

I have the honorable
Sir
Your most obt. Servt

Fort St George
1st May 1857

Lt. Colonel
Chief Engr

To
The Secy to Govt.
P.W.D.

Lt. Stewart

No 1165.

Alg. 1st Asst. Q.M.G.'s Office
Adjutants Department
Peshawur 21st May 1857

From

Lieut. H. M. Norman Adjt.

To

Captain F. M. Mac Mahon
Civil Secy.

Sir,

I have accordance with your instructions of the 12th Instant, endeavoured to ascertain the number of Camels, Mules, & Horses the Town of Peshawur is calculated to furnish, and the amount of Carriage, and Forage it is capable of furnishing for the Public Service, and I have the honor to report for the information of Government, that the Town of Peshawur is calculated to furnish 1000 Camels, 500 Mules, and 500 Horses, and that the amount of Carriage, and Forage it is capable of furnishing for the Public Service, will depend entirely upon the number of Animals employed in the Transport.

2. The Public Bungalow at Jumrood is calculated to accommodate 30 persons, and the Caravanserai at Jumrood is capable of containing 1000 Camels, or 2000 Horses, or Mules.

3. The Caravanserai at Ali Musjid is calculated to contain 500 Camels, or 1000 Horses, or Mules, and the Bungalow at Ali Musjid is capable of accommodating 30 persons.

4. The Caravanserai at Lallpoora is calculated to contain 500 Camels, or 1000 Horses, or Mules, and the Bungalow at Lallpoora is capable of accommodating 30 persons.

5. The Caravanserai at Dhakka is calculated to contain 500 Camels, or 1000 Horses, or Mules, and the Bungalow at Dhakka is capable of accommodating 30 persons.

6. The Caravanserai at Jugdulluck is calculated to contain 500 Camels, or 1000 Horses, or Mules, and the Bungalow at Jugdulluck is capable of accommodating 30 persons.

7. The Caravanserai at Gundamuck is calculated to contain 500 Camels, or 1000 Horses, or Mules, and the Bungalow at Gundamuck is capable of accommodating 30 persons.

8. The Caravanserai at Jellalabad is calculated to contain 500 Camels, or 1000 Horses, or Mules, and the Bungalow at Jellalabad is capable of accommodating 30 persons.

9. The Public Bungalow at Cabul is calculated to accommodate 30 persons, and the Caravanserai at Cabul is capable of containing 1000 Camels, or 2000 Horses, or Mules.

10. The Caravanserai at Ghuznee is calculated to contain 500 Camels, or 1000 Horses, or Mules, and the Bungalow at Ghuznee is capable of accommodating 30 persons.

11. The Caravanserai at Candahar is calculated to contain 1000 Camels, or 2000 Horses, or Mules, and the Bungalow at Candahar is capable of accommodating 30 persons.

12. The Caravanserai at Quetta is calculated to contain 500 Camels, or 1000 Horses, or Mules, and the Bungalow at Quetta is capable of accommodating 30 persons.

13. The Caravanserai at Kelat is calculated to contain 500 Camels, or 1000 Horses, or Mules, and the Bungalow at Kelat is capable of accommodating 30 persons.

14. The Caravanserai at Khozdar is calculated to contain 500 Camels, or 1000 Horses, or Mules, and the Bungalow at Khozdar is capable of accommodating 30 persons.

15. The Caravanserai at Sonmeanee is calculated to contain 500 Camels, or 1000 Horses, or Mules, and the Bungalow at Sonmeanee is capable of accommodating 30 persons.

16. The Caravanserai at Kurrachee is calculated to contain 1000 Camels, or 2000 Horses, or Mules, and the Bungalow at Kurrachee is capable of accommodating 30 persons.

I have &c.

Pub. Consult. 2 Nov. 1857. No 35 & 35½

Public Works 1857 Dept.
Pol. Cons. 26th May. No. 889

From

The Chief Engineer
Dt. Pb.

To

The Secy to Govt
Pb. D.

Sir,

No. 969. 20th May

Date 1st } May 1857
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3 Enclosures
2 do Returns

Forwarded under Clause 2 of Pt. Mins: Cons: No. 696 of the 18th Oct. 56 Plan & Estimate for repair & improvements to the Bungalow at Ogonor on the Salt Ranges and as the work has met with the approval of the Govt. of Pb: recommended that for the convenience of Travellers the estimated amt. of Rupees 4780/ four thousand seven hundred and eighty be sanctioned by Government.

No 7.

Cl. 1st May Rl. 11th C 13 R 16th

have bath rooms attached. In the Estimate these wants have been remedied. The doors, and windows in every room in the Bungalow are, with hardly an exception, very badly made, and fit very badly into their frames, and to which the timber of which they are made is very old and rotten, so much so, that I consider it to be perfectly necessary that they should all be replaced by new ones.—

3. The roof leaks very much in wet weather, so that the tiles would in any case require to be taken off, and renewed in many places, but the roof itself is constructed in a very unsatisfactory manner the timber used not being of a scantling sufficient for the weight, or the span of the roof, the effect of which, is very perceptible from the way in which many of the rafters have sagged. I have accordingly estimated for a new king post trussed roof, to the Bungalow the floor is in many places quite rotten, and in other places the sleepers beneath

beneath have sunk in their beds, and the planks have been left without any support, the whole flooring ought to be taken up, and new planks substituted in many places. I have included this in the Estimate, and also a skirting board and Carpets, for each of the rooms in the Bungalow.—

4. There is only one range of the out houses attached to the Bungalow, one half of which, is used as a stable, the other half is divided into four small rooms, of which one is used as a kitchen, although it has no chimney or other outlet for smoke, and another is used as a privy. The roof of the whole of this range of buildings is in a perfect sieve when there is any heavy rain and besides this, it is in the most precarious condition, as almost all the timbers of which it is constructed is jungle wood, which is fast rotting away. I have here proposed to build an entirely new kitchen, the present one, being again turned into what evidently it was originally intended for, a godown for servants. It is estimated a very small

great mistake, especially in this country, where the natives are so proverbially Careless about fire, to have a stable and kitchen under the same roof. I have also proposed to raise the walls of the present range of godowns two feet and to re roof it, partitioning the stable into five stalls.-

5. One of the greatest drawbacks to the Comfort of Travellers at this Bungalow are the small Huts which have sprung up close to it, each of which Contributes its quota of filth and stench, & they are now in such numbers as to prove a perfect nuisance. None of the occupiers of these huts, are in any way Connected with the Bungalow, with the exception of the Cutler who I believe lives in one of them, and I propose to remove all except this one and throw up a small low wall round the Bungalow, on the side adjoining the road, so as to prevent people from trespassing, and Committing nuisances, within the Bungalow grounds.-

True Copy
Sd/ H. W. Stewart
Capt & Ch Engr

Sd/ P. M. Francis
Dy Engr

No. 61.

Coimbatore Office
the 15th Feby 1857

To
The Chief Engineer
Fort St. George

Sir

1 Plan & Est for Construction of a Bridge across Panapanthiffalen Rs 4820
1 Report of Do
1 Estimate of Do
1 Plan & Est for mg Common Bungalow Rs 4786
1 Report of Do —
1 Abstract of Do
1 Plan & Estr for Construct mg a Bridge across Sirian Vellaru Rs 1625
1 Report of Do
1 Abstract of Do

At the request of the Dep. Clerk Engineer, Coimbatore, I have the honor to forward herewith, the Papers noted in the margin with my Countersignature affixed thereto.-

I have &c
Sd/ H. W. Stewart
Capt & Ch Engr

No. 14.

Dy Engrs Office
Coimbatore 9th Feby 1857

From
Lieut Captain P. M. Francis
Dy Engr

To
Colonel B. S. Faber
Chief Engr P.W.D.

Sir

I have the honor to forward Plans and Estimate amounting to Rs 4820. for the Completion of the Common Bungalow together with Dr Shaw Stewart's report thereon, as per paras 3 Nos of Cons: Rs 1625 of 10th Nov 56. I regret the delay which has taken place in the transmission of the documents.

I have &c
Sd/ P. M. Francis
Dy Engr

1866. Nov. 6th

Extract from the Proceedings of the Bd. of Rev. dated 2d. April 67.-

Read Extract from the Rep. of the Chief Engr. under date 7th March 67 forwarding for the Board's opinion, a plan and Estimate, subd. by the Coll. of Coimbatore, for altering, and renewing, the Travellers Bungalow at Coonoor.-

/ S.R. No. 1743 /

The Board of Revenue approve of the additions, and alterations proposed to be made in the Bungalow, with the exception of the proposed outlay for Carpets, which seem unnecessarily large, amounting, it would appear, from the Costly par article being selected. The Comfort and warmth of the rooms, may be secured, the Board think, with less expensive Carpets.-

2. They are of opinion, that the utility of this building in Coonoor, a place so much frequented by European Travellers, and the nature of the Climate, there renders it desirable to provide a better description of accommodation than is usually

Cond.

(13)

Considered necessary, in the Bungalows in the Low-Lands. They therefore beg to recommend, with the exception noticed, the early Carrying out of the measures proposed.-

3. The papers forwarded with the above Letter are herewith returned.-

/ A true Extract /
/ H. Forbes /
Ag Sub Secy.

To Lt. Col. C. G. Yalden
Chief Engr. Pds.

/ True Copies /

Lieutenant Colonel
Chief Engr.

Ex. by Mr.

For Orders 15

Public Works Department No 889.

From the Chief Engineer 1st May 1857.

I approve for sanction

for

Enclosure No 1 a Letter
from the Chief Engineer
& No Secy. Govt. Bombay 13th

Letter No
Read } May 1857
No 12.

13th April 1857.

Conveyance of Utility
to the proposed Extension
and improvements to the
Public Buryal Ground at
Colaba.

19 P.W.D.

No. 969

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Under date the 20th May 1857.

Read the following letter

from the Chief Engineer.

(Here enter 1st May 1857 No. 12.)

The Right Honorable

the Governor in Council Sanc-

tions the Estimate Submitted

with the foregoing letter, amount-

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eighty, for repairing and im-

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Estimate — ought to have been submitted in time for entry in the Budget of 1857/58, with reference to the remarks contained in Para 3 of the Extract Minutes Consultation dated 26th November 1856 Revenue Department No 1195. — The Estimate now submitted provides Rs 1,636 for furniture, and Rupees 3144 for repairs and improvements. The cost of furniture will be included in the Contingent Charges, and for the latter sum, Rupees 3144 Sanction is granted out of the one lac fund, and the work will at once be proceeded with.

J. P. J.

2d Copies to the Chief Engr with 2 Encls
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J. P. J.

Rd 11th Nov.r/58 No.3548 36.

Public Works 1857 Dep.t
Dr to Cons 26th May

No 969.

Extract Mins of Cons:
Dr 20th May 57.

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Sanctg an Estimate
amtg to Rs. 4780 for re-
pairing and improving
the Travellers' Bungalow
at Coonoor, in the Dist.t
of Coimbatore.

No 3748.

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