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FORT SAINT GEORGE, the 17th February - - - - - 1857.
Public Works ~~Revenue~~ Department.

TUESDAY

At a Meeting of the Council of Fort Saint George,

Present.
The Right Honorable Lord Harris, Gov. and President.
The Honorable Walter Elliot, Esquire.

The Honorable Sir H. C. Montgomery, B.^t

His Excellency Lieut. Genl. Grant, C. B. Commr. in Chief.

Minutes of last Consultation, approved.

The following Diary Papers are ordered to be recorded.

Purport of the Papers considered.	Abstract of the Resolution passed and Letters sent.	Date of Resolution or Letter.
No. 1. Mins. of Gov. Military Deptt. 6th June 1856. No. 3098. Referring to the Rev. Dep. Secy. a letter from the 2^d Lt. Genl. dated 5th June 1856 on the subject of the boundary of the Trichinopoly Cantonment observing that a reference to the map copied under Lieut. Fireman shows that every Military Building in the Cantonment is without the mill Boundary & that even the Parades, Hurling Lines & Genl. Bazar are not comprised within the mill limits, trusts that the original views of Govt. may yet be allowed to prevail.	No. 2. Mins. of Gov. Communicating to the Military Deptt. and the B.^t of Prov. the views of this Govt on the subject of the boundary of the Trichinopoly Cantonment, and of House Records, in order to the necessary instructions being furnished to the local Officers, Civil and Military, and directing that a copy of these proceedings be transmitted through the Commr. Dep. to the Quarter M. Genl. of the Army with reference to his Letter of the 5th June 1856. 3 Copies to the B.^t of the Military Deptt.	11th Feb. 1857. No. 297.
No. 3. Pro. of the Chief Eng. D. P. No. 3. 3rd February 1857. No. 225. Communicates a letter from the Sup. Eng. Presidency Division stating that the Civil Auditor declines passing the departmental abstract of the Sup. Eng. D. P. & recommends that pending the final orders of the Govt. of India, the Civil Auditor should be authorized to disburse as hitherto, the amount of the departmental abstract for the Sup. Eng. Office Establishment.	No. 4. Mins. of Gov. Authorizing the Civil Auditor, pending further orders, to pass the Abstract of the late Superintending Engineer's Office Establishment, as heretofore.	11th Feb. 1857. No. 293.

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No. 5. From the Chief Engr. D. P. W. 28th Jan'y. 57. N. 198. Forwards information called for in Extract & Min. Cons. N. 706 dated 15th May 1856 on the subject of the proposed Railway from the Quarries to the bank of the River Pennaur, and requesting the Bd. of Rev. to obtain near Kallore & recommends that the Estimate for the same be kept in abeyance until the question of the reduction of the Assessment shall have been finally settled.	No. 6. Min. of Cons. Declining to sanction the entry of the Estimate of Rs 17,510 for the construction of the Railway from the Quarries to the bank of the river. Pennaur near Kallore in the Budget of 1857-58, and requesting the Bd. of Rev. to obtain and submit a report from the collector, with their own views on the subject.	12th Feb 1857 N. 299.
No. 7. From the Chief Engr. D. P. W. 29th Jan'y. 57. N. 196. Forwards an original letter from the Acting District Engr. of the North Arcot, and recommends that Robertson & Assistant Engineer Brown, be remanded to his Regiment.	No. 8. Order. Probationary & Assist. Engineer Brown removed from the D. P. for incompetency and remanded to his Regiment.	13th Feb 1857 N. 300.
No. 9. From the Govt. of Bombay. 22nd Jan'y. 57. N. 199. Requests to be informed whether in the event of the Govt. of India being unable to obtain the services of an Officer of the Bengal Eng. Corps, with Canal Works, the Govt. of Port St. George can share for the proposed survey of the Province of Gujerat in view to the construction of Works of Irrigation on an extensive scale, any of the Officers of the Madras Engineers formerly employed in the construction of Canals under Colonel Cotton.	No. 10. To the Govt. of Bombay. Intimating that this Govt. would be willing to meet the wishes of the Govt. of Bombay, if assured that the Officers placed under their orders would receive professional advancement on being transferred to another Presidency.	13th Feb 1857 N. 301.

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No. 11. From the Chief Engr. D. P. W. 29th Jan'y. 57. N. 197. Submits a letter from Mr. Fraser, Civil Engr., and requests the Government to apply to the Honorable Court for 4 or 6 Barometers with latest apparatus attached of pattern recommended by M. Gay. Lussac.	No. 12. Order. Order that an application be made to the Honorable Court for six Barometers.	13th Feb 1857 N. 302. To Engr. 20th Feb 1857 N. 301.
No. 13. From the Chief Engr. D. P. W. 28th Jan'y. 57. N. 187. Forwards under Clause 2 of Co. Min. Cons. N. 696 dated 18th Oct. 1855 Copies of letters from the Superintendent Eastern Coast Canal, on the subject of erecting Office & Store Sheds, and requests early sanction for an Estimate of Rupees 2,380 for the buildings proposed to be constructed at the Shadiencorum Lock.	No. 14. Order. Sanctioning the entry of the Estimate in the Budget 1857-58 in the Govt. Office, and observing that under this sanction the building will be proceeded with on the 1st of May next.	13th Feb 1857 N. 303.
No. 15. From the Chief Engr. D. P. W. 6th Decr. 56. N. 12746. Forwards a letter N. 675 dated 13th Nov. 1856, from the District Engr. of Rajahmundry, on the subject of the arrangements proposed for placing the workshop Establishment at Dowlaish waran on a permanent footing with his own hearty recommendation for the sanction of the Honorable Court.	Vide entry opposite N. 16.	To Engr. 5th Jan'y 1858 N. 304. P. 5.

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N^o 16. From the Chief Eng^r D. P. N. 6th Decr/56. N^o 2871. G. G. G. G. Forwards for entry in the Budget of 1857-58, an estimate of Rupees 1,06,500 for the Boundary and Workshop buildings at Dowlaishwar.	N^o 17. Mins. of Cons. Fully coinciding with the Chief Eng^r in the wisdom of enlarging the Dowlaishwar workshop (not observing that as Capt. T. T. T. is now in England, visiting workshop, establish-ment there, it will be better to postpone till his arrival, the consideration of the measures to be adopted for the workshop at Dowlaishwar, and thus to obtain the advantage of his experience, and of his recent enquiries and observations.	13th Feb^r 1858 P. 5.
N^o 18. From the Chief Eng^r D. P. N. 15th Decr/56. N^o 2958. Forwards a letter from the Civil Eng^r of the District Division, together with a communication from M^r Civil Eng^r Marshall on the subject of the workshops at Begoor in the Masulipatam District.	N^o 19. Mins. of Cons. The intimate not being prepared to report to the proposition of making the Begoor workshop more efficient than it is, and also in an order of this date dated the 13th Decr/56 that Govt. have agreed to a proposal for greatly improving the workshop at Dowlaishwar, and that Begoor is within 100 miles of that place, and there is a short distance of water communication the whole distance which will reduce the cost of transportation between the two places to a totally insignificant rate.	13th Feb^r 1858 P. 2.
N^o 20. Mins. of Cons. Financial Railway 21st Jan^y/57. N^o 37. Communicating a letter from the Agent to the Railway Company, reporting upon the Proceedings of this Company in India, during the Official Year ending 30th of April 1856.	N^o 21. Govt. Government of India. D. P. N. For forwarding for submission to the Govt. of India, the Commission in the Financial Railway Department, with a Report and four statements from Major T. T. T. on the operations of the Madras Railway Company during the Official Year ending 30th April/56, as well as the observations made by the Consulting Eng^r on the same.	13th Feb^r 1858 P. 306.

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N^o 22. From the Chief Eng^r D. P. N. 24th Jan^y/56. N^o 2625. Submitting Report on the proposed restoration of the Pommel tank near Palaveram, the construction of certain subsidiary works for utilizing its waters, & soliciting the orders of Govt. on the subject.	N^o 23. Mins. of Cons. Resolving to form a Committee in the Dept^t Public Works, consisting of Colonel A. Cotton, Colonel Habber & Major Lawford, to thoroughly scrutinize & verify Lieutenant Connell's project of supplying water for domestic use & sewerage in Black Towns.	13th Feb^r 1857 P. 2.	13th Feb^r 1857 P. 2.
N^o 24. From the Chief Eng^r D. P. N. 4th February/57. N^o 253. Submitting a Bill for sanction, received from the District Eng^r of Chingleput, for works executed by the station staff Officer to the Church at Saint Thomas Mount, amounting to Rupees 644 0-5.	N^o 25. Order Sanctioned.	14th Feb^r 1858 P. 308.	14th Feb^r 1858 P. 308.
N^o 26. From Captⁿ Johnston. in Charge of the Central Office. 5th February/57. N^o 255. Submitting for sanction a bill amounting to Rupees 50, for rent of the premises occupied by the Lithographic Office, and requesting that the Civil Auditor may be authorized to pass similar bills until the return of the Office to the Fort.	N^o 27. Order Sanctioned, and directing the Civil Auditor to pass for payment similar Bills, until the return of the Office into the Fort.	14th Feb^r 1858 P. 309.	14th Feb^r 1858 P. 309.

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1828. From Capt. Johnston in Charge of the Central Office. 5th February 1857. No 246. Forwards certificate in Civil Engineering granted by the Civil Eng. 4th Division to Assistant Revenue Surveyor (now 3rd Class Sub Eng.) - J. Colquhoun, & requests his name be gazetted as having passed the prescribed examination.	1829. Order. Sanctioned.	14th Feb 1857 No 310.	
1830. From the Chief Eng. D.P.W. 28th Jan. 1857. No 186. Forwards under Clause 2 of Extract Minutes Consultation No 606, dated 18th October 1855, information respecting the overflowing of the Denda Gadder Channel, a hill stream crossing the trunk road about 3 miles south of the town of Chhapore, solicits sanction for an estimate of Rs 1390 for building a regulated culah, & recommends the work for immediate execution on emergency.	1831. Order. Sanctioning the estimate amounting to Rs 1390 for the construction of a Culah with five under sluices to the Dendagadda Channel in G. Camp.	17th Dec 1856 No 311.	
1832. From the Govt of India 16th Jan. 1857. No 209. Approving with certain qualifications, the details of the distribution of the allotment made under the late orders of the Honorable Court for Works of Public Improvement in the Madras Presidency.	1833. Minis. of Cons. Requesting that the Chief Eng. will consider the authority cancelled which was granted by this Govt in their order of 10th Dec 1856, project for extending the East Coast Canal from Boogaranyapalam to Kistnapalamp, & intimates that they will explain to the Govt of India that under any circumstances the limit fixed for the expenditure of the second half of 1856-57 will not be exceeded.	17th Dec 1856 No 312.	

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1834. To the Government of India D.P.W. Intimating that the Chief Eng. has been particularly directed to take care, that the aggregate sum expended in the second half of the current Official Year did not exceed the eleven lacs apportioned to Madras, & that the unexpended portion of the Estimated sanctioned to Octr last, should form an integral part of the sum prescribed.		17th Feb 1857 No 313.	
1835. From the Chief Eng. D.P.W. 27th Jan. 1857. No 172. Submitting for information and orders, letter from the District Engineer Southern Circle, reporting on the works to be carried on during the remainder of the Official year 1856-57, in the South Arcot District.	1836. Minis. of Cons. Observing that for reasons stated, no orders appear necessary on the present reference, respecting the Pongaur bridge & that the District Eng. is at liberty to proceed with that Governor's and Arreagosty Channels in South Arcot out of the general funds placed at his disposal.	17th Dec 1856 No 314.	
1837. From the Chief Eng. D.P.W. 21st Jan. 1857. No 149. Submitting for sanction a contingent Bill, amounting to Rs 180, for extra work done by certain Draftsmen, one Printer and six Pressmen.	1838. Minis. of Cons. Sanctioning the bill of Rs 180 Rs being the amount of remuneration for certain Draftsmen and other servants of the Lithographic Office for work performed during extra hours. 9 Copies to be made (Engl) with 1000 each of all the plates.	17th Dec 1856 No 315.	

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N^o 39. From the Accountt Genl. 17th Jan. 1857. N^o 96. Forwards an amended Statement for the Official year 1855-56 exhibiting the expenditure on account of Public Works in the several Departments Classified under the heads of Original construction Ordinary & Extraordinary Repairs Establishment and Contingencies.	N^o 40. Order To be recorded.	17 Feb N^o 316.	
N^o 41. Mins of Cons: Military Deptt. 27th Jan. 1857. N^o 239. Observing that existing arrangements must continue in force, until funds can be made available, for the Conservancy Committee to conduct the Conservancy duties in Cantonments.	N^o 42. Order To be recorded.	17 Feb N^o 317.	
N^o 43. Pro: of the Chief Eng^r D. P. H. 26th Jan. 1857. N^o 160. Forwards copies of correspondence from the Collector of Bellary & states that further endeavours to prevail on the Rajah of Coondoor to accept a full money equivalent for the ground that has been taken up for the Ramana Mullay Road, instead of the yearly rent would be unavailing.	N^o 44. Order To be recorded.	17 Feb N^o 316.	

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N^o 45. Pro: of the Chief Eng^r D. P. H. 7th February 1857. N^o 267. Communicates a letter from the District Eng^r of Cud- dapaah stating that the groins to be constructed on the left bank of the river Pennaur, will not necessitate the adoption of measures to prevent the set of the stream against the opposite or right bank, an opinion in which the M^r Sup^r Eng^r N. C. C. concurs.	N^o 46. Order To be recorded.	17 Feb N^o 319.	
N^o 47. From the Chief Eng^r D. P. H. 31st Jan. 1857. N^o 207. With reference to Cons: Mins: N^o 263 dated 4th June 1856 forwards copy of a letter from the District Eng^r of Bellary stating that the necessity for the aqueduct & Bridge across the old course of the river Pennaur, in the Bellary Talook has been superseded by a short branch proposed to be taken from the Indocoorpelt Channel.	N^o 48. Order To be recorded.	17 Feb N^o 320.	
N^o 49. From the Chief Eng^r D. P. H. 2nd February 1857. N^o 236. With reference to Cons: Mins: Cons: N^o 183 dated 24th Jan 1857 points out that the grant which it is observed was apparently overlooked was sanctioned in Cons: Mins: Cons: N^o 2410 dated 23rd Dec^r last, whereas the Chief Eng^r applications was dated the 20th inst. Further points out that the Budget lists were closed prior to the receipt of the Govt order under reply, and that it will be necessary that	N^o 50. Order To be recorded.	17 Feb N^o 321.	
The entry of the sum of Rs. 19840 for the repair of Roads in the Gunjam District for the Year 1855-58. Should be made in the Govt Office.			

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<i>No 51.</i> <i>From the Chief Eng. &c. D. M.</i> <i>2^d February 1857. N 217.</i>	<i>No 52.</i> <i>Order To be recorded.</i>	<i>17 Feb</i>	<i>N 322.</i>

States that to enable him to give effect to the Orders of Govt. contained in Ex. Min. Cons. N^o 158 dated 22^d Jan^y 1857, it has been necessary to return for revision, the several abstract Estimates for the conservancy of the Military Cantonments in this Presidency.

W. J.

Ex^d
J. H. Williamson.

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17th February, 1857.

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