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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 20th July 1858.

No. 115. Read the following letter from C. W. READE, Esq., Collector of Vizagapatam; to W. H. BAYLEY, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, dated 30th June 1858, No. 117.

SIR,

In the Minutes of Consultation of date 23rd June No. 1189, Public Works Department, Marine, in Para 2, below my printed letter, it is observed, "Mr. Reade has not made out a very "good case for exempting this work from the restrictive orders" and I am directed to furnish "any further explanation I may have to give on the subject through the Engineer Authorities.

2. In acknowledgment of these observations, I beg to state that I had no intention to make out any case, in favor of the work in question being proceeded with, the matter had several times been pressed on my notice by the Master Attendant who has complained of the insufficiency and the unsuitableness in other respects of the present building used as a Custom House, and the necessity for a new one having been concurred in by Government, I thought in a matter of some importance connected with the shipping interests of the Port, that the Government might possibly agree in the propriety of no longer delaying the work, but I desire to add my opinion, that if the expense be an object, the Master Attendant can well manage as he has heretofore done with the building now in use, until such time as Government may feel itself in a financial position to authorize the outlay.

3. I would observe that an Estimate is now before Government for a new Office for myself, the Private house at present appropriated as a Public Cutcherry being in every respect unfitted for that purpose, but under the existing financial pressure in the country I had dropped all idea of applying for sanction for the new building and I merely mention the circumstance to satisfy Government that I am anxious to avoid putting the state to any unnecessary expense, where it can be avoided without detriment to the public interests..

No. 116. ORDER THEREON, No. 1417; dated 20th July 1858.

Ordered that the foregoing letter be recorded.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Vizagapatam Collectors
Office 30th June 1858.

No 114

From C. W. Meade Esqr
Collector of Vizagapatam

To W. A. Bayley Esqr
Acting Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
Fort St George

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Government might possibly agree with the
Proprietor of no longer charging the mark,
but Allowance to be made my Lords, that
if the expence be an object, the Master
Attendant can make choice of one of the
Merchants Houses where the Building can
be erected with the least inconvenience,
and such time as Government
may find it necessary on a financial Question
to authorize the undertaking.

3. I must also observe that an Estimate
must now be form'd Government for a
new Office for merely the Private Houses,
at present appropriated as a public
Cutcherry being in every respect unfitted
for that purpose, but under the existing
circumstances of the Country
I shall forbear all address of pressing for
the new Building and I
mention the circumstance to shew
that I am anxious to avoid
what may in any manner tend to an
increase of Charge without
Necessity or Benefit.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servt

Archd Clerk
Collector

Mr Wilkinson & Chapman
Dated 29th June
Received 1st July 1858
From The Collector of
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To The Secretary to
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