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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 2nd February 1858.

No. 18. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer, dated 15th January 1858, No. 6665.

Read again the following Extract from the Minutes of Consultation Public Works Department.

Appointing a Committee by whom all Instruments should be approved and passed before purchase, in connection with the price to be paid for them. (Here enter No. 929, dated 12th June and Recorded in Diary 17th June 1856.)

Resolved with reference to the 2nd Para. of the order of Government No. 929, under date the 12th June 1856, to request the sanction of Government, for the amount of purchase of the undermentioned Articles, which the Committee appointed in the foregoing order have passed as being reasonably priced, with the exception of the protractor, (an Extract from the Proceedings of the Committee is herewith forwarded.) The protractor in question is not urgently required by this Department, but as the other Instruments now offered for sale are in the aggregate, priced at £ 6, under the actual English price, and which fully compensates for the apparent high price of the protractor, the Chief Engineer would recommend, that the whole of the Articles be purchased by Government, and which are as follows.

	Rs.	A.	P.
1 Protractor Semicircular...	73	8	0
1 Prismatic Compass.	31	8	0
1 Y Levelling Instrument...	200	0	0
1 Pantagraph complete....	50	0	0
Total Rupees.....	355	0	0

Company's Rupees three hundred and fifty-five.

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

Extract from the Proceedings of a Committee on certain Scientific Instruments.

" Assuming the price of the Prismatic Compass at £ 3-3, there remains £ 7-7, for that of the protractor, which appears rather high; but perhaps not too high, if the instrument be required, as that appears to be the actual English price; the other instruments seem priced reasonably enough."

College Hall,
18th December 1857. }

(Signed) W. S. JACOB,
H. C. Astronomer.

(Signed) F. C. COTTON,
Agt. Mint Master.

„ W. R. WORSTER, Captain,
Barrack Master.

No. 19. ORDER THEREON, No. 153; dated 28th January 1858.

1. In the above Proceedings, the Chief Engineer requests sanction for the purchase of certain instruments which have been approved by the Committee appointed under the order of Government of the 12th June 1856.

2. The Government are not informed to whom the instruments belong, nor what has led to their being tendered to Government, nor does it appear from the Chief Engineer's Proceedings that there is any immediate need of them in the Public Works Department.

3. The mere fact that instruments are for sale, is not in the opinion of Government sufficient reason for their purchase, and at present no better reason is assigned.

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

1 Pantagraph complete

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Total Rupees 355

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer
in the Department of Public Works, Fort Saint George
Under date the 15th January 1858.
Read again the following.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, Public Works Department.

Appointing a Committee by whom all Instruments
should be approved and passed before purchase, in
connection with the price to be paid for them.

Here Entered N^o 929 dated
12th June & Recorded
in Diary 17th June 1856.

Enclosure 1

Resolved with reference to the 2nd Para. of the order
of Government N^o 929, under date the 12th June 1856, to request
the sanction of Government, for the amount of purchase of the
undermentioned Articles, which the Committee appointed in the
foregoing order have passed as being reasonably priced, with the
exceptions of the protractor. (an Extract from the Proceedings of the
Committee is herewith forwarded). The protractor, in question, is
not urgently required by this Department, but as the other
Instruments now offered for sale are in the aggregate, priced at £6,
under the actual English price, and which fully compensates for the
apparent high price of the protractor, the Chief Engineer would
recommend, that the whole of the Articles be purchased by
Government, and which are as follows.

1 Protractor. Semicircular	Ruppes 73-8-
1 Pneumatic Compass	31-8-
1 Revolving Instrument	200-0-
1 Pantograph complete	50-0-

Total Ruppes 353-0-

Company Papers &c two hundred and fifty five. —

J. A. True Extract.

Wm. Fisher Colonel.

Chief Engineer.

To
The Secretary to Government O. W. D.

Washington.

Extract from the Proceedings of a Committee on
certain Scientific Instruments.

4. Upon the price of the Prismatic Compass
about £2-3, there remains £1-7 for that of the
"Protractor, which appears rather high; but perhaps not
too high, if the instrument be required, as that appears
to be the actual English price; the other Instruments

seem prices reasonably enough."

- W. F. Jacob,
R. L. Astronomer.
- F. L. Cotton.
- J. L. Mint Master.
- W. R. Wooster, Capt.
- Barrack Master.

A True Extract,
Wm. Fisher Colonel.
Chief Engineer

College Hall. — 9
18th December 1857

W. F. Jacob

R. L. Astronomer.

F. L. Cotton.

J. L. Mint Master.

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Wm. Fisher Colonel.

Chief Engineer

P.W.D. 9-

N^o 153

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Under date the 18th January 1858.

Read the following
Extract from the Proceed-
ings of the Chief Engineer.
(Here enter 15th Jan. 1858 p. 6663)

In the above
Proceedings the Chief
Engineer requests sanc-
tion for the purchase
of certain instruments
which have been ap-
proved by the Com-
mittee appointed
under the order of
Government of the
12th June 1856.

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Enclosure in an extract from
the Proceedings of the Chief Eng.
of the Scientific Instrument
Committee

Date 15th Jan
Received 16th January 1858

N^o 153
Extract from the Proceedings
of a Committee on certain
Scientific Instruments

The govt are not informed to whom the instruments belong, nor what has led to their being tendered to govt, nor does it appear from the Chief Engineer's Proceedings that there is any immediate need of them in the Pub. Works Department.

The mere fact that instruments are for sale is not, in the opinion of govt, sufficient reason for their purchase, and at present no better reason is

is assigned
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9 Copies to the Chief Eng: Sep 29

Public Works 1858 No 14
As to Com: 29. February

Feb 1/59

Contract Men of Com:
Noted 28th Jan 2/58

From the Chief Eng: 29
21st Nov: 1859. To the 3006 in
Com.

Observing that Government
are not informed to whom the
sanitary authorities belong
now what has led to their being
limited to Government, whereas
it appears from the Chief Engineer's
reporting, that there is any more,
immediate need of them in the
Public Works Department.

Nov 1859.