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No. 80. Read the following letter from Major E. LAWFORD, Officiating Chief Engineer; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, dated 13th July 1858, No. 1901.

SIR,

With reference to para. 10 of Extract Minutes Consultation No. 1144, dated 13th June 1857, I have the honor to forward copy of a letter from the Civil Architect, No. 343, dated 7th July 1858, reporting the unsuitableness of the buildings at present rented for his office.

2. The house of Mr. Williams has been rented for the last twelve months for Rupees (130) one hundred and thirty, per mensem, but is reported to be much infested by white-ants, which destroy the records of the office, and as their ravages, are visible on the joist and walls of the building, and considering also, the smallness of the garden for the erection of a Work-shop and store-yard, I beg to support Lieutenant Moberly's opinion that, the premises should not be purchased, but continue to be rented, until such time as a commodious building can be procured, suitable for the purpose of an office for the Civil Architect.

Letter from Lieutenant F. J. MOBERLY, Civil Architect P. D.; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated 7th July 1858, No. 343.

SIR,

In reply to your letter No. 1718 of the 6th instant, I have the honor to observe that, in my opinion the house at present rented by the Civil Architect, is not suited for the purposes of that office; and I would therefore not recommend its being purchased.

2. The building is much infested by white-ants which destroy in a few hours any papers &c., that may be left on the floors.

3. On the joist and outside portions of the buildings their ravages are visible, but I have not examined the walls.

4. The garden is too small for any store-yard, and there are neither out-houses, nor space to build them, for the work-shops &c., which should be attached to the Civil Architect, and which he will be obliged to organize on a larger scale, when public works are resumed.

No. 81. ORDER THEREON, No. 1566; dated 10th August 1858.

In para. 10 of Extract Minutes Consultation 13th June 1857, No. 1144, authority was granted for renting for one year, at 130 Rupees per mensem, Mr. Williams' house known as Haliburton's, situated on the Pantheon road, as an Office for the Civil Architect at the Presidency; and the Chief Engineer was directed to report on the propriety of purchasing the building a month before the close of the year. Major Lawford now accordingly submits a letter from the present Civil Architect, stating that the house is infested with white-ants, and that the compound is too small for a Store-yard, or for the erection of workshops, &c.; and recommends that the house should not be purchased, but continue to be rented until a commodious building can be procured.

2. Agreeably to this recommendation, the Government grant authority for continuing to rent Mr. Williams' house at the present rent, until an opportunity presents itself for making other provision for the Office of the Civil Architect.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Civil Architect's Office.

№ 343.

From

Lieutenant F. J. Moberly
Civil Architect P.D.

To

The Chief Engineer D. of T.
Fort Saint George.

Sir,

In reply to your letter № 1718 of the 6th Instant, I have the honor to observe that, in my opinion the house at present rented by the Civil Architect, is not suited for the purposes of that Office; and I would therefore not recommend its being purchased.

2. The building is much infested by white ants which destroy in a few hours any papers &ca that may be left on the floors.

3. On the joists and outside portions of the buildings their ravages are visible, but I have not examined the walls.

4. The garden is too small for any

any store yard, and there are neither outhouses, nor space to build them, for the workshops &c., which should be attached to the Civil Architect, and which he will be obliged to organize on a larger scale, when public works are resumed.

Civil Architect's Office
Pantheon Road
Madras 7th July 1858.

I have the honor to be &c.
(Signed) F. J. Moberly Lieut.
Civil Architect C.P.D.

(True Copy)

Major
Offg Chief Engineer.

Comp. 21 C.P.D.

Central Office of Public Works
Fort St. George 13th July 1858.

No. 1901

From

The Offg. Chief Engineer.

To

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department

"Public"

Sir,

With reference to Para 10 of Extract Minutes of Consultation No. 1144, dated 13th June 1857, I have the honor to forward copy of a letter from the Civil Architect, No. 343 dated 7th July 1858, reporting the unsuitableness of the Buildings at present rented for his Office.

2. The House of Mr. Williams has been rented for the last twelve months for Rupees (130) One hundred and thirty, per Mensem, but is reported to be much infested by white ants, which destroy the records of the Office, and as their ravages, are visible on the joists and walls of the building, and considering also, the smallness of the Garden for the erection of a Workshop and Store yard, I beg to support

Lieutenant

Enclosure in the letter from the Offg. Chief Engineer to the Secretary to Government Public Works Dept.

Dated 13th July 1858.
Read

No. 343 of 1858.
Dt. 7th July 1858.

Forty Four Letter from the Civil Architect, reporting that the House at present rented by the Civil Architect is not suited for the Office and would not recommend it being purchased.

Lieutenant Moberly's opinion that, the premises should not be purchased, but continue to be rented, until such time as a commodious building can be procured, suitable for the purpose of an Office for the Civil Architect.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant

Central Office of C.W.
Fort Saint George
8 July 1858.

Major
Offg Chief Engineer.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
Public.

No. 1566.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 10th August 1858.

Read the following letter from the Officiating Chief Engineer.

Forwarding a letter from the Civil Architect No. 343, dated 7th July 1858, reporting the unsuitableness of the Buildings at present rented for his Office, and is of opinion that the premises should not be purchased but continue to be rented until such time as a commodious building can be procured suitable for the purpose of an Office for the Civil Architect. } (Here enter 13th July 1858, No. 1901.)

In para. 10 of Extract Minutes Consultation 13th June 1857, No. 1144, authority was granted for renting for one year, at 130 Rupees per mensem, Mr. Williams' house known as Haliburton's, situated on the Pantheon road, as an Office for the Civil Architect at the Presidency; and the Chief Engineer was directed to report on the propriety of purchasing the building a month before the close of the year. Major Lawford now accordingly submits a letter from the present Civil Architect, stating that the house is infested with white-ants, and that the compound is too small for a Store-yard, or for the erection of workshops, &c.; and recommends that the house should not be purchased, but continue to be rented until a commodious building can be procured.

2. Agreeably to this recommendation, the Government grant authority for continuing to rent Mr. Williams' house at the present rent, until an opportunity presents itself for making other provision for the Office of the Civil Architect.

(A true Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Officiating Chief Engineer.
" Accountant General.
" Civil Auditor.

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Rec'd 16th June 1857.
Pub. 10th Aug. 1857.

To the Officiating Chief Engineer.
" Accountant General.
" Civil Auditor.

Public Works Department.
Public.

No. 1144.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 13th June 1857.

Read the following letter from the Officiating Chief Engineer.

Forwarding a letter from the Civil Architect No. 1, dated 1st June 1857, requesting that the house at present occupied by Mr. Williams, known as Haliburton's, situated on the Pantheon road, may be rented for the Civil Architect's Office, and that the Chief Engineer may be directed to report on the propriety of purchasing the premises a month before the close of the year. } (Here enter 16th June 1857, No. 1306.)

Agreed to.

(A true Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Officiating Chief Engineer.
" Accountant General.
" Civil Auditor.

Rec'd 30th July 1858.
Pub. 30th July 1858.

Public Works Department.
Public.

No. 1306.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 30th July 1858.

Read the following letter from the Officiating Chief Engineer.

Forwarding a letter from the Civil Architect No. 343, dated 7th July 1858, reporting the unsuitableness of the Buildings at present rented for his Office, and is of opinion that the premises should not be purchased but continue to be rented until such time as a commodious building can be procured suitable for the purpose of an Office for the Civil Architect. } (Here enter 13th July 1858, No. 1901.)

Agreed to.

(A true Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Officiating Chief Engineer.
" Accountant General.
" Civil Auditor.

Pub Works Dept

No 1566

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Extract from the Minutes of Council at Simla
Under date the 10th August 1858.

Read the following letter
from the Offg Chief Engineer

(Received 13th July 1858 No 1901)

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not be purchased, but continue
to be rented until a commodious

building can be procured.

2. Agreeably to this recommendation, the first grant authorizing for continuing to rent Mr. Williams' house at the present rent, until an opportunity presents itself for making other provision for the Office of the Civil Architect.

10 Copies to the Off[g] Chief Engr & Dep[y]
1 — Asst Engrs
1 — Civil Architect

Public Works 1858 Dep.t
Cons 10th August.

No 1566.

Extract Minutes of Cons.:
Of 10th August /58.

Granting authority for
Continuing to rent Mr. Willi-
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Road for the Office of the
Civil Architect until a
Commodious Building can
be procured:

No 80 & 81.