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No. 35. Read the following letter from Major E. LAWFORD, Officiating Chief Engineer ; to the Secretary to Government, dated 23rd July 1858, No. 2187.

SIR,

1 Copies of correspondenee viz.
Letter from the Acting Garrison Engineer No. 164, dated 7th July 1858.
Do. from the Town Major, No. 1927, dated 18th May 1858.
Do. from the Acting Principal Commissary of Ordnance No. 1780, dated 12th May 1858, with its enclosure.
1 Abstract Estimate.
1 Plan.
Extract Minutes Consultation No. 1387 dated 17th July 1858.

I have the honor to forward for submission to Government the papers marginally noted relating to the proposed construction of a shed at Abercrombie's Battery for the protection of Machinery received from England, I have the honor to observe that as a new building this shed does not I conceive fall under the provisions of paras. 7 and 8 of the Garrison orders and moreover the Government have already objected to block up the open space at this Battery by permanent buildings.

2. On the above grounds I do not recommend the estimate for sanction but emanating as the order does from the Right Honorable the Governor, I feel it incumbent on me to bring the equisition to notice as I am aware that the Machinery which belongs to this Department is very much exposed and suffering injury thereby.

3. I may take this opportunity of informing Government that I am taking measures for distributing our Machinery as much as possible throughout the country, but the stoppage of the construction of works and Store-sheds in the Districts is a serious bar to such a very desirable arrangement which would greatly relieve the Ordnance Department.

4. In the meantime I would again beg the attention of Government to my former proposition noticed in Extract Minutes Consultation No. 906 dated 12th May 1858 for constructing a shed for machinery on a piece of ground near the Seven-Wells and placing it under the charge of the D. P. W. for when rejecting that proposal the Government were not aware of the difficulty felt by the Ordnance Department in protecting the Machinery.

Letter from 1st Lieutenant H. PRENDERGAST, Acting Garrison Engineer Fort St. George ; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated 7th July 1858, No. 164.

SIR,

Constructing a Temporary shed composed with country wood posts T Iron Breast summers, and rafters obtained from the Arsenal and lashed over with Palmirah reepers, and covered with pantiles at the Abercrombie's Battery on the North beach for the protection of the Machinery attached to the Arsenal.

Agreeably to the order of the Right Honorable the Governor as conveyed to me in the annexed copy of communication from the Town Major No. 1927 dated 18th May 1858, I have the honor to forward the accompanying Plan and Estimate with Abstract amounting to Rupees (1,460) one thousand four hundred and sixty, for work as per margin.

Para. 2. I beg to state that the above work can be completed within two months.

Letter from Major T. THOMPSON, Town Major ; to 1st Lieutenant H. PRENDERGAST, Acting Garrison Engineer, Fort Saint George dated 18th May 1858, No. 1927.

SIR,

The Town Major has the honor to forward to the Acting Garrison Engineer the accompanying Letter, No.— date and subject as per margin, and to request that such repairs &c. as on examination are found to be essentially necessary to the building in question may be effected in accordance with paras. 7 and 8 section 10 amended Garrison standing Orders.

No.	Date.	From whom.	To whom.	Subject.
1780	12th May 1858.	Acting Principal Commissary of Ordnance.	Barrack Master.	Requests that a shed may be built in the open land in Abercrombies Battery for the preservation of the valuable machinery received from England.
557	14th do.	Barrack Master.	Town Major,	Submits the above application for the consideration of the Town Major.

By Order of the Right Honorable the Governor.

Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 17th August 1858.

Letter from Major G. W. Y. SIMPSON, Acting Principal Commissary of Ordnance; to Captain W. K. WORSTER, Barrack Master, Fort Saint George dated 12th May 1858, No. 1780.

SIR,

The Abercrombie's Battery having been made over to me for the stowage of Machinery recently received from England, I have the honor to request, that a shed may be erected for the preservation of this Machinery; Iron piping and T. Iron for props, and sheet Iron for the roofing might be issued from the Arsenal, and the sides can be made of Mango or any other planking which can also be furnished from the Arsenal; the shed being erected by the Garrison Engineer.

Letter from Captain W. K. WORSTER, Barrack Master, Fort Saint George; to Major T. THOMPSON, Town Major, dated 11th May 1858, No. 557.

SIR,

The Barrack Master has the honor to submit this application from the Acting Principal Commissary of Ordnance for the consideration of the Town Major.

Letter from Major G. W. Y. SIMPSON, Acting Principal Commissary of Ordnance; to Captain W. K. WORSTER, Barrack Master, Fort Saint George, dated 17th June 1858.

SIR,

I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to adopt early measures for having the shed erected in the Abercrombie's Battery referred to in my letter No. 1780 dated 12th May 1858, as the valuable Machinery now in the Battery, is exposed to the weather.

No. 36. ORDER THEREON, No. 1605; dated 12th August 1858.

The Officiating Chief Engineer submits an Estimate amounting to Rupees 1,460 for the construction of a shed at Abercrombie's Battery on the North Beach, prepared on an application from the Acting Principal Commissary of Ordnance forwarded through the Barrack Master, "for the protection of Machinery received from England."

2. Major Lawford does not recommend the Estimate for sanction on the ground that "the Government have already objected to block up the open space at this Battery by permanent buildings." At the same time he intimates that he is taking measures for distributing the Machinery of the Public Works Department, "as much as possible throughout the country," and draws attention to his former proposition of constructing a shed for Machinery near the Seven-wells and placing it under the charge of the Public Works Department.

3. The Government have in a separate resolution passed orders on Major Lawford's letter of the 28th July No. 2283, wherein he proposed to arrange for the withdrawal from the Arsenal of a large quantity of Machinery of the Public Works Department for distribution to the District Engineers; the only question which remains for consideration is the occupation of the space at Abercrombie's Battery now proposed by the Ordnance Department. Under existing orders, the Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines has charge of all Public Stores, and until a different arrangement is ordered with respect to the Stores properly appertaining to the Public Works Department, provision must be made for their care. Large supplies of valuable Machinery have already been received from England and want cover, and the shed which the Acting Principal Commissary of Ordnance asks to be constructed with materials in part to be supplied from the Arsenal, is of a temporary character, which can always be removed when desired. Under these circumstances, the Governor in Council in consideration of the emergency of the occasion, sanctions the estimate for the temporary shed amounting to Rupees 1,460 which will be disbursed from the one lac fund for the current year. The Chief Engineer will order the work to be commenced immediately and completed within the time specified, viz. two months.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

No. 164

Military

Garrison Engineer's Office
Fort St. George 7th July 1858

From

The Acting Garrison Engineer
Fort St. George

To

The Chief Engineer in the D. P. W.
Fort St. George

Sir

I greably to the order of the Right Honorable the Governor as conveyed to me in the annexed copy of communication from the Town Major No 1929 dated 18th May 1858 I have the honor to forward the accompanying Plan and Estimate with Abstract amounting to Rupees (1460) One thousand four hundred and sixty for work as per margine Para 2. I beg to state that the above work can be completed within two Months

I have &c
(Sigd) H. Prendergast 1st Lt
Act'g Garrison Engineer

Constructing a Temporary shed composed with country wood posts T Iron Breastsummers, and rafters obtained from the Arsenal and Lashed over with palmirah reepers, and covered with pandites at the Abercrombies Battery on the North Beach for the protection of the Machinery attached to the Arsenal.

(Sigd) T. T.
T. M.

Town

Town Major's Office
Fort St George 18th May 1858

№ 1927

The Town Major has the honor to forward to the Acting Garrison Engineer the accompanying Letter, & date and subject as per margin, and to request that such repairs &c. as on examination are found to be essentially necessary to the Building in question may be effected in accordance with paras 7 and 8 Section 10 Amended Garrison Standing Orders

By Order of the Regt &c
Honorable the Governor
(Sigd) T. Thompson
Town Major

To

The Acting Garrison Engineer
Fort St George

(True copy)
H. Prendergast 1st Lieut
Acting Garrison Engr

Date	From whom	To whom	Subject
1858 12th May	Barrack Master	Town Major	Requesting that a shed may be erected for the preservation of the Machinery recently received from England
557 14th do			Satisfied that a shed may be built for the preservation of the Valuable Machinery received from England

From

Ordnance Department

№ 1780

From

Major G. W. J. Simpson
Acting Principal Commy of Ordnance

To

The Barrack Master
Fort St George

Sir

The Abercrombies Battery having been made over to me for the stowage of Machinery recently received from England, I have the honor to request that a shed may be erected for the preservation of this Machinery. I now require and 7 Trans for posts, and Sheet Iron for the roofing might be issued from the Arsenal, and the ends can be made of Mango or any other planking, which can also be furnished from the Arsenal by the Local Commissariat Department

I have &c
(Sigd) G. W. J. Simpson Major
Acting Principal Commy of Ordnance

Arsenal
Fort St George
12th May 1858

Barrack Master's Office
14th May 1858

№ 857

The Barrack Master has the honor to submit this application from the Acting Principal Commissary of Ordnance for the consideration of the Town Major

(Signed) W. R. Wooster Captain
Bk Master

To

The Town Major
Fort St George

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Ordnance Department

From

Major G. W. Y. Simpson
Acting Principal Ency. of Ordce

To

The Barrack Master
Fort St George

Sir

I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to adopt early Measures for having the shed erected in the Abercrombies Battery referred to in my letter No. 1780 dated 12th May 1858 as the Valuable Machinery now in the Battery is exposed to the weather

I have &c

Arsenal ... } (Signed) G. W. Y. Simpson Major
Fort St George } Acting Principal Ency of Ordce
17th June/58

(True Copies)

[illegible] Captain
Acting Superintending Engr. C. Circle

Central Office of P.W.

Fort Saint George

23 July 1858.

Public No. 2157

From,

The Offg. Chief Engineer.

To,

The Secretary to Government P.W.D.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for submission to Government the papers marginally noted relating to the proposed construction of a shed at Meeran Saibs Battery for the protection of machinery receiv from England. I have the honor to observe that as a new building this shed does not I conceiv fall under the provisions of Paras 7 and 8 of the Garrison orders and moreover the Govern ment have already objected to blocking up the open space at this Battery by permanent buildings.

2. On the above grounds I do not recom mend the estimate for sanction but emanatin s the order does from the Right Honorable the Go

Enclosure 3

Ex. Fin. Cons. No 1387 dy 17th July 58

Endorsement on a letter from the Offg Chief Engineer to the Secy to Govt P.W.D. dated 23rd July 1858 No 2157

Copy in the Military Department

Subject of Correspondence relative to the proposed construction of a shed at Meeran Saibs Battery for the protection of machinery received from England

Ref. to Paragraph 17

I feel it incumbent on me to bring the requisition to notice as I am aware that the Machinery which belongs to this Department is very much exposed and suffering injury thereby.

I may take this opportunity of informing Government that I am taking measures for distributing our machinery as much as possible throughout the Country but the stoppage of the construction of Workspand Store Sheds in the Districts is a serious bar to such a very desirable arrangement which would greatly relieve the Ordnance Department.

In the mean time I would again beg the attention of Government to my former proposition noticed in Ex: Guns: Cons: No 906 dated 12th May 1858 for constructing a Shed for machinery on a piece of ground near the Seven Wells and placing it under the charge of the D. P. W. for when Rejecting that proposal the Government were not aware of the difficulty

difficulty felt by the Ordnance Department in protecting the machinery.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obt Servt

Central Office of P. W.
Fort Saint George,
23 July 1858.

L. Stanford Major
Off.g Chief Engineer.

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To,
The Secretary to Government P. W. D.

Compd 10 Aug

No. 1605. P.W.D.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultations
Under date the 12th August 1858.

Read the following
Letter from the Officiating Chief
Engineer ... dated
Here enter 23 July 1858 No 2187

The Officiating Chief
Engineer submits an Estimate
Amounting to Rupees 1460 for the
construction of a wished at
Abercrombies battery on the
North beach prepared per an
application from the Acting
Principal Commissary of
Ordnance forwarded through
the Barrack Master "for the
protection of Machinery
received from England."

2. Major Lawford does
not recommend the Estimate

1460
Bll

Dated 23 July
Rec'd 28th
No 2187

Enclosure Major's 2d and
No 2/c 1605 P.W.D. dated 12th August 1858
Submitting correspondence
Letter with an Estimate
Rupees 1460 for the proposed construction
of a shed at Abercrombies
Battery in the North Beach
for the protection of machine
received from England, with
Memorandum.

P.W.D.

Copy in ar L & C
24 Aug 1858 No 2187

P.W.D. Cons 20th Aug 1858 No 12/13

for sanction on the ground
that the Government have
already objected to block up
the open Space at this Battery
by permanent buildings" at
the same time he intimates
that he is taking measures
for distributing the Machinery
of the Public Works Department
as much as possible throughout
the Country" and draws attention
to his former proposition of
constructing a shed for Machinery
near the Seven wells and placing
it under the charge of the
Public Works Department.

3. The Government
have in a Separate Resolution
passed orders on Major Limsford's
Letter of the 28th July N° 2283
wherein he proposed to arrange
for the withdrawal from the
Arsenal of a large quantity
of Machinery of the Public
Works

Works Department for distri-
bution to the District Engineers,
the only question which remains
for consideration is the occupa-
tion of the Space at Aber-
crombie's battery now proposed
by the Ordnance Department.
Under existing orders the
Inspector General of Ordnance
and Magazines has charge
of all Public Stores, and
until a different arrange-
ment is ordered with res-
pect to the Stores properly
appertaining to the Public
Works Department provision
must be made for their
care. Large supplies of
Valuable Machinery have
already been received from
England and want Cover,
and the Shed which the
Acting Principal Commissary
of Ordnance asks to be
constructed

constructed with materials
in part to be supplied from
the Arsenal, is of a temporary
Character, which can always
be removed ~~[illegible]~~ when
desired ~~expenditure~~. Under these
circumstances the Governor
in Council in consideration
of the emergency of the ser-
vice sanctions the estimate
for the temporary shed amount-
ing to Rupees which will
be disbursed from the one
lac found for the Current year.
The Chief Engineer will
order the work to be com-
menced immediately and
completed within the time
specified viz two Months.

J.P.

10 Copies to the Offg Chief Engr Dunapore
4 — Capt. Earl of Engineers Nagpore

Public Works 1858 Dept.
Dpt. to Colo. 17th Augt.

No. 1605
Capt. Scott Inds. of 4 encls
Dy 12th Augt. 58.

Copy in a. L. to
Dy 19th May 1859. No 12.

Sanctioning on the part of the
Govt. the sum of the Estimate
amounting to £1460 for the
construction of a temporary Shed &
Shot proof Battery for the protection
of Machinery procured from
England:

No. 35436.