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No. 28. Read the following letter from Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, dated 17th August 1857. No. 3003.

SIR,

1. In continuation of my letter No. 1848, dated 8th Ultimo, and in further reference to Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 1285 of the 2nd Idem, I have the honor to forward copies of letters noted in the margin* from the District Engineer's of Cuddapah, and Bellary.

* 1 No. 492 16th July 1857.
2 „ 145 30th do.

2. The District Engineer of Cuddapah states, that there are no buildings sanctioned for this year, in which any of the timber from Bellary could be used, but that, if the proposition to enlarge the Collector's Cutcherry should be approved, on the estimate being submitted, and the work sanctioned for execution in 1858-59, some 2100 cubic feet of teak, will be required for the building.

3. A supply of timber is also likely to be required for a new Talook Cutcherry to be proposed for construction [when the standard plan is decided upon] at Poolyvaindlah, and a further supply for the Centrings of the large bridges, when sanctioned on Trunk road No. 11.

4. Lieutenant Hemery mentions the difficulty he has experienced in procuring timber for the Staff Serjeant's quarters†, and the new Ameen's Cutcherry‡, the latter having been delayed for some months in consequence, and suggests, that authority may be given to him, to purchase 10,000 cubic feet of the teak to be supplied by the Bellary contractors.

† Estimate for Rupees 4,700 sanctioned in Extract Minutes Consultation No. 636, dated 3rd May 1857.
‡ Estimate for Rupees 1,380 sanctioned in Extract Minutes Consultation No. 1275, dated 26th July 1856.

5. The District Engineer of Bellary states, that he is likely to require the following quantities of Timber.

	Cubic feet.
For new European Hospital...	20,000
do. Cavalry stable..	45,000
Repairs to Arsenal &c. buildings...	500

besides that for Centrings of the Pennaur, Huggry, and other large bridges, and for several Anni-cut head and under sluice shutters, for which the estimates have not yet been framed.

6. The Provincial Commander-in-Chief, as will be seen from the accompanying order No. 1962 of the 5th Instant desires, that the proposal to build Cavalry stables at Bellary should *not* be pressed at present, the construction however of the European Hospital having been ordered in Extract Minutes Consultation, No. 1441, dated 27th Ultimo, I consider it unadvisable to dispose of any portion of the timber in Bellary, for which there is likely to be a sufficient demand, but that the whole should, as early as practicable, be stored at Wullabapore.

No. 29. ORDER THEREON, No. 1651; dated 28th August 1857.

As the Chief Engineer reports that the surplus forty-five or fifty thousand cubic feet of timber, remaining after the completion of the Bellary Barracks, will be required for buildings and works, soon probably, to be undertaken at that station, especially the Hospital, which the Commander in Chief "feels* confident will be required for European Troops 'ere long," the Government resolve to direct that the abovementioned surplus timber, the purchase of which from the Contractors has been already authorized† be stored at the District Engineer's Depôt at Wullabapore, in order that it may be at once available, when the works are actually taken in hand. Instructions for making payments to the Contractors, and the mode of debiting these payments, have been already issued in para. 3 of Extract Minutes Consultation 2nd July last, No. 1285.

* Vide letter from the Qr. Mr. General of the Army, dated 8th July 1857, No. 245.
† E. M. C. 2nd July 1857, No. 1285.

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

Central Office of Public Works
Fort St. George 1st August 1857

No. 3003

From The Chief Engineer

To The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department

Public
Supply of Timber

Sir,

1. I am continuation of my letter No. 1848 dated 8th Ultimo, and in further reference to Extract Minutes Consultation, No. 1285. of the 7th Idem, I have the honor to forward Copies of letters noted in the Margin from the District Engineers of Cuddapah and Bellary.

5 Enclosures
1 Letter from the D. Engr. Cuddapah No. 492 dated 16th July 57.
1 Do. from D. Engr. Bellary No. 146 dated 30th July 1857.
1 Orgl. Letter from the D. Nellore No. 1962 dated 5th Augt. 57 with Enclosures returned by the obligingly Solicited

2. The District Engineer of Cuddapah states that there are no buildings sanctioned for this Year, on which any of the timber from Bellary could be used, but that if the proposations to enlarge the Collectors Cutcherry should be approved, on the Estimate being submitted, and the work sanctioned for execution in 1858/59. some 200 Candies feet of teak will be required for the building.—

3. A supply of timber is also likely to be required for a new Talooks Cutcherry to be proposed for conducive: Lease fashion the standard plan is decided upon for at Podyvaindlah, and a further supply for the Centrings of the large bridges, when sanctioned on Trunk road No. 11.—

Lieutenant

4. Lieutenant Hemery mentions the difficulty he has experienced in procuring timber for the staff Serjeants Quarters, and the new Armens Cutcherry, the latter having been delayed for some months in consequence; and suggests, that authority may be given to him, to purchase 10000 Cubic feet of the teak to be supplied by the Bellary Contractors.

5. The District Engineer of Bellary states, that he is likely to require the following quantities of Timber:—

For new European Hospitals ——— 20000 Cft
——do—— Cavalry Stables ——— 15000
Repairs to Arsenal &c. Buildings ——— 500

besides that for Centrings of the Penner Bridge, and other large bridges, and for several Anicut heads and under sluice shutters for which the Estimates have not yet been framed.—

6. The Provincial Commander in Chief, as will be seen from the accompanying Order No. 1962. of the 5th Instant desires, that the proposal to build Cavalry Stables at Bellary should not be proceeded at present, the Construction however of the European Hospitals having been Ordered in Extract Minutes Consultation No. 1441. dated 27th ult., Ultimo, I consider it undesirable to dispose of any portion of the timber in Bellary, for which there

is likely to be a sufficient demand, but that the whole should as early as practicable be stored at Wallabapooram.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Fraser Colonel
Chief Engineer

True Copy
(Signed) Jos. Taylor M.C.

To
The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department.

No 402. of 1857/58.

From

Lieutenant E. Kennedy

Distt. Engineer of Cuddapah

To

Colonel C. E. Faber

Chief Engineer D.P.W.

Sir,

I am acknowledging the receipt of Extract No. 1857 from your Proceedings under date the 8th Instant, I have the honor to inform you that there are no buildings sanctioned this year, on which any of the timber contracted for in Bellary, might be used.—

2. My Estimate for enlarging the Collectors Cutcherry, for which about 2100 Cubic feet of teake will be required, was not entered in the Budgett of 1857/58 but if sanction for carrying out the works in 1858/59 be obtained, it would be advisable at once to procure the timber from Bellary.—

3. A new Taluk Cutcherry is very much required at Pooliyamdlah, on the borders of the Bellary District, and as large quantity of timber will be required for this building, but until the standard Plan for Taluk Cutcherries is decided on, I do not feel myself at liberty to submit Plans and an Estimate for sanction.—

4. I am also anxious to prepare Centrings for the bridges on No 11. road, but as sanction for these works has not been received from the Court of Directors

I am

Bellary Dist. Engineers Office
Dated 24th May 1858

Dated 24th May 1858. Received 28th Ditto.

Copy forwarded to Lieutenant E. Kennedy Dist. Engineer Cuddapah for information.

By Order

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Secretary to Government P.W.D.

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Secretary to Government P.W.D.

No 28.

№ 1651

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Under date the 28th August 1857

Read the following
letter from the Chief
Engineer—

Fort William 26th August 57. No 3005

See the Chief Engr reports that the surplus forty five or fifty thousand cubic feet of timber, remaining after the completion of the Bellary barracks, will be required for buildings and works, soon probably, to be undertaken at that station, especially the Hospital, and the Comr in Chief* feels confident will be required for European troops ere long," the Govt resolve to direct that the above mentioned surplus timber has been already purchased from the Contractors, be stored at the Distinct Engrs depot at Ballabapore, in order that it may be at once available when the works are actually taken in hand. Instructions for making payments to the contractors, and the mode of

* with letter from Lt Col Genl of the Army dated 8th July 57. No 245.

* E. M. E. 2d July 57, No 1285.

1857
Aug 28
Dispatch
No 5

Enclosed I send a letter from the Chief Engineer and its Enclosure for the Secretary to Government

Dated Aug 26 } Yours &c
Rec'd } Sept 1857 } P. Melvill

P. Melvill Esq
Secy to Govt

Copies of letter from the Chief Engr of Bellary and enclosure respecting the surplus timber at that station

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debiting these payments, have
been already issued in para 3
of Ex: Minis: Cons: 2 July last,
No 1285.

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Copies to the Chief Engr.
with a Circular
Despatch.

Public Works 1857 Dept.
Dr to Com.r of Fortifications.

No 1857.

Extract Mins. of Com.rs
Dated 28th August 1857.

Directing that the Timber
remaining after the Completion
of the Bellary Barracks, be stored
at the District Engr Depot at
Bellary for in order that it may
be at once available, when required
for building of works, soon probably
to be undertaken at that Station.

No 2829.

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