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Government of Madras

DEPARTMENT

G.O. No. 1-4

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No. 28. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer, dated 15th August 1857, No. 2957.

Read the following letter from Lieutenant T. E. GAHAGAN, District Engineer of Salem; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated 5th August 1857, No. 261.

SIR,

With reference to the construction of Residences for Officer of the D. P. W.

With reference to Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 1344, of the 13th July 1857, subject as per margin, I have the honor to bring to your notice that there is no station or Town in the whole District) the Town of Salem excepted) where an Executive Officer can find a roof to shelter his family even in the Town of Salem, the number of Houses is so small that from November 1855, to the 15th Ultimo, I have had to live in tents or stay with friends, without a chance of renting a house, and Lieutenant Clay, one of my Assistants has been obliged to take a house for his family in Trichinopoly. To perform his duties efficiently an Executive Officer ought to be able to send his tents any where at a moments notice, and not be obliged, as they are in this District, to drag all their office records and establishment about with them wherever they go. In bad weather or sickness (of both of which we have a great deal too much in this District) an Officer ought surely to have some place of refuge more comfortable than a tent.

Resolved to forward copy of the foregoing letter to Government with reference to Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 1344, dated 13th July 1857.

2. The Chief Engineer considers that some arrangement for providing quarters for the Executive Officers of the Department Public Works is very desirable, not to say necessary.

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

No. 29. ORDER THEREON, No. 1681; dated 4th September 1857.

The Executive Officers of the Public Works Department, must, like all other Officers, provide their own residence. When Civil Engineers held Divisions they had no house found for them, and at the Godavery and Kistnah works, each Officer erected his own quarters. Without further evidence of the necessity of the measure, the Government are not prepared to place the Executive Officers of the Public Works Department on a different footing from all other servants of the State.

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

No. 2957.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer
in the Department of Public Works.

Under date the 15th August 1857.

Public Works Dept

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Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Under date August 1857.

Read the following

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J. Copies to the Chief Engr.
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Public Works 1857 Departt.
Dr. to Comrs. 8th Sept.

No. 1681.

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Dy 4th September, 1857.

Observing that the Government are not prepared to place the Executive Officers of the Public Works Department, on a different footing from all other servants of the state, in providing them Quarters.

No. 28429

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