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No. 51. Read the following letter from Major E. LAWFORD, Officiating Chief Engineer; to the Secretary to Government, dated 20th August 1858, No. 3036.

SIR,

In acknowledging the receipt of Extract Minutes of Consultation No. 1660 dated 18th August 1858, I have the honor to state that in my opinion the Office Rent allowed to District Engineers is sufficient to enable them to provide cover for and take due care of all such Machinery as I now propose to send out, and I have instructed those Officers accordingly.

2. It seems to me highly inexpedient that Stores already belonging to the Department Public Works should remain useless in the Arsenal of Fort Saint George to the great inconvenience of the Ordnance Department, while occasions may arise at any time when they may be required on the Public Works but without the possibility of their being sent in time.

3. Such is now actually the case at Nellore, where the District Engineer has been long waiting for a Crane to be used on the Annicut works, but which I have been and still am unable to send to him.

4. My object in this application is to bring our Machinery into use as early as possible, clear the Arsenal of what does not belong to it, and prevent the necessity of frequent applications to Government for Stores they have already sanctioned for our use.

No. 52. ORDER THEREON, No. 1861; dated 10th September 1858.

With reference to Extract Minutes Consultation, 18th August 1858, No. 1660, the Officiating Chief Engineer reports that he is of opinion, that the Office rent allowed to District Engineers is sufficient to enable them "to provide cover for, and take due care of all such Machinery," as he proposes to send out, and that he has instructed them accordingly.

2. The Government have expressed and now repeat their decided objection to authorize the issue of Machinery, unless assured that the District Engineers have actually the means of duly taking care of them. If the Officiating Chief Engineer is in a position, from information received from District Engineers, to report that they have really the necessary accommodation for the cover and preservation of Machinery, and if there is a reasonable probability of the Machinery being required in such Districts, it may be sent; but otherwise it must not be sent until real cover has been provided: in any case however only after the rules laid down for the purchase of the Machinery have been duly complied with.

3. The Crane said to be urgently required in Nellore should be dispatched at once, provided sanction is first obtained for the value in the usual course.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Central Office of P.W.
Fort Saint George
20th August 1858

No. 3036

From,

The Officiating Chief Engineer

To The Secretary to Government
Public Works Departt.

Sir

I acknowledging the receipt of Extract Minutes of Consultation No. 1660 dated 18th August 1858 I have the honor to state that in my opinion the Office Rent allowed to District Engineers is sufficient to enable them to provide cover for and take due care of all such Machinery as I now propose to lend out, and I have instructed those Officers accordingly.

2. It seems to me highly inexpedient that Stores already belonging to the D.P.W. should remain useless in

in the Arsenal of Fort St. George to the great inconvenience of the Ordnance Department, while occasions may arise at any time when they may be required on the Public Works but without the possibility of their being sent in time.-

3. Such is now actually the case at Nellore, where the District Engineer has been long waiting for a Crane to be used on the Anicut works, but which I have been, and still am unable to send to him.-

4. My object in this application is to bring our Machinery into use as early as possible, clear the Arsenal of what does not belong to it, and prevent the necessity of frequent applications to Government for Stores they have already sanctioned for our use.-

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) L. Crawford Major
Officiating Chief Engineer

Central Office of P.W.
Fort St. George
20 August 1858.-

To,
The Secretary to Government
Public Works Departt.

P.W.D

N°1861

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Under date the 10th September 1858.

Read the following letter
from the Offg. Chief Engi-
neer.

(Recd inl. 20 Augt/58 N°3335)

With reference to Offg:
Mins: Cons: 18th Augt/58, N°1660,
the Offg: Chief Engr reports that
he is of opinion, that the office
rent allowed to District Engrs is
sufficient to enable them "to
provide cover for, and take due
care of, all such machinery,
as he proposes to send out, and
that he has instructed them ac-
cordingly: ~~His reasons in sere~~
~~presumption, whereas~~ the Govt
have expected them decided &c.
tion to authorize the issue of
machinery, unless assured that
the District Engrs had actually
how

Will

Cons: 24th Augt/58 N°10.
" 1st Sept/58 N°34.

Offg Chief Engr
Dr to Cash
a/c

1858 Septr 1st

From the Offg Chief Engineer
To
The Secy: to Govt: P.W.D.

Dated Dr.

Rec'd 23rd } August 1858.
Read 25th }
Recd 2nd Septr

Answered with reference to
No. Mins: Cons: N°1660 dated 18th
August 1858 that the Office
Rent recently granted to Dis-
trict Engineers is considered to
be quite sufficient to enable
them to provide cover for all
machinery that may be sent
to them and remarks that the
object of the present applica-
tion is to clear the Arsenal
Yard Bicholla, which does
not belong to the Govt. to keep the
same with cash vise and to

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the means of duly taking
care of them. If the Off.
Chief Engr is in a position,
from information received
from District Engrs, to report
that they have really the neces-
sary accommodation for the
cover and preservation of machy
Govt will be prepared to consider
any application for the dispatch
of such Plant, as Major Lawson
may think requisite for the
efficiency of the Public Works
Dept, in such of the Districts
as there may be good reasons for
believing that the stores will be
required, and only after the rules
laid down for the purchase of the
machinery have been duly com-
plied with.

The crane said to be
urgently required in Nellore
should be dispatched at once,

and if there is a
certain probability
of the machinery
being required in
said District - it
may be sent - but it
and otherwise - in
any case however

provided sanction is first ob-
tained for the ~~double~~ moderate increase in the
usual course —

JP

To Copies to the
Off Chief Engr
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Public Works 1858 Dept.
Do. to Cons. 14th Sept.

No. 1861.

Extract Mins of Cons.
Dt 10th September 1858.

From the Chief Engr 8/17th Sept. 58 Ca. 2448 in Cons. 21st Oct. No. 1-2-

From Dr. 6 Augt 60 C No. 1865 in

From Lt Col. Ch Engrs 8/24th Nov. 58 Ca No. 2834 in C. 21st Dec. 162-163

No. 61682

Are not at all disposed to authorize the issue of machinery to the Provinces, unless a Board that District Officers have the means of taking care of them. If Major Lanford is satisfied from the information received by him, that they have the requisite accommodation for the preservation of machinery & that there is a probability of those machinery being required in the District, the same may be sent.