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No. 56. Read the following Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Military Department, dated 19th November 1858, No. 4178.

Laying down certain principles to be observed in regard to the repair of vacant Regimental Lines. } (Vide Military Consultation, 23rd November 1858, Nos. 26 at 28.)

No. 57. ORDER THEREON, No. 2605; dated 3rd December 1858.

Ordered to be communicated to the Officiating Chief Engineer with reference to his letter dated 27th September 1858, No. 4054.

(Signed) W. H. BAYLEY,
Acting Secretary to Government.

No. 4178.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, 19th November 1858.

Read Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, in the Public Works Department, under date the 11th October 1858, No. 2114.

Read the following letter from the Officiating Chief Engineer, 27th September 1858, No. 4054; to the Secretary to Government.

In acknowledging the receipt of Extract Minutes of Consultation No. 1972, dated 24th instant 1858. I have the honor to request you will be good enough to inform me, whether the repair of vacant Regimental Lines, is to be considered generally as a duty devolving on the Public Works Department, such not having hitherto been the case.

2. The order referred to will be duly communicated to the Acting Chief Engineer, at Hyderabad with instructions to give effect to the intentions of Government.

Referred to the Military Department, with reference to G. O. G. 2nd June 1857, No. 161.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Referred for the observations of the Commander-in-Chief.
13th October 1858.

From the Quarter Master General of the Army, Head Quarters, Ootacamund, 2nd November 1858, *No.* $\frac{277}{326}$ *; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.*

With regard to the Resolution of Government, dated 13th October, referring for the observations of the Commander-in-Chief, a letter from the Officiating Chief Engineer on the subject of the repairs of vacant Regimental lines. I am instructed, by the Commander-in-Chief, to remark, that hitherto, it is true, vacant lines have not been repaired at the Public expense—under the new Rule, of Government paying for them on their being vacated, and the lines thus becoming the property of Government, for the time being they must be kept in order, or the Government would lose on a re-valuation; His Excellency, under these circumstances, conceives that the work of repairing would devolve more appropriately on the Department Public Works than on any other.

The Governor in Council observes that the loss arising from deterioration of Huts in un-occupied Regimental Lines has hitherto fallen on the Troops, but must now necessarily devolve on Government—to the extent of any difference of price which may arise on their subsequent re-valuation.

2. In this view it only appears necessary to suggest that un-occupied Lines be committed to the charge of such Public, or Regimental Staff Officers, as the Commander-in-Chief may select—and to sanction the execution of such trifling repairs by them—on the recommendation of Commanding Officers—as may be absolutely necessary, and the expense of which, it may be worthwhile to incur, with reference to the selling value of the Houses concerned.

3. These repairs should be effected as far as possible by means of Fatigue Parties, or such Public or Regimental establishments as can be spared for the purpose—Where no such means can be made available the cost may be adjusted by contingent Bill in the usual manner.

(True Extract and Copies.)

H. Marshall Colonel
Dy. Secretary to Government.

To the Department Public Works. With 20 spare Copies.
" Quarter Master General.
" Military Auditor General.
" Accountant General.

Exd. R. Spears.

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