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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 13th April 1858.

No. 3. Read the following Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Ecclesiastical Department, dated 23rd March 1858, No. 88.

Read the following letter from the Venerable VINCENT SHORTLAND, Archdeacon of Madras; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, dated 15th March 1858, No. 105.

SIR,

I have the honor to enclose a letter from the Chaplain of Coonoor and Jackatallah, dated the 10th Instant, requesting that some accommodation may be provided for the Chaplain of the Station, as is stated to have been done for all other official persons, in connection with the new Barracks at Jackatallah.

Doubtless, such a provision would in many cases be highly desirable, and especially in the severe weather sometimes experienced during the North East Monsoon, and I would beg, therefore, to recommend the present application for the favorable consideration of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, it being understood that it can be complied with, "without prejudice to the present plans."

From the Reverend HENRY TAYLOR, B. C. L., Chaplain of Coonoor and Jackatallah; to the Venerable the Archdeacon of Madras, dated 10th March 1858, No. 230.

VENERABLE AND DEAR SIR,

On inspecting the plans for the Jackatallah Barracks which provide accommodation for every official person connected with a Regiment, I observe that there is one functionary, (who although not borne on the strength of a Regiment has considerable dealings with it) whose convenience has in no way been provided for and that it is the Chaplain of the Station.

2. It is impossible to over rate the constant attendance at the Barracks which will be required of the Chaplain at Jackatallah when the Barracks are once inhabited. And I am sure that you will concur with me in opinion that a small private apartment appropriated to the Chaplain's use would be of great practical benefit in many ways.

1st. If placed near the School Room it would serve as a Class Room in which the Chaplain might from time to time examine the Children and instruct them in their Religious duties.

2nd. It would enable the Chaplain to hold private conversations with such Soldiers as wished to consult him regarding their spiritual affairs, and you know how seldom a man has courage to do this before his comrades.

3rd. In case of urgent sickness in Hospital inducing the Chaplain, (as I have been called on to do,) to remain near his Patient all night, it would afford him a resting place close at hand.

4th. The existence of such a Room would enable the Chaplain to be more constantly among his people and thereby increase his usefulness greatly. In fact the advantages both to Minister and flock would be so great, that I beg respectfully to recommend to the favorable consideration of the Government the appropriation of a room for the use of the Chaplain at Jackatallah in the block which contains the proposed Library and schools for the Barracks. The District Engineer informs me that there would be no difficulty in making such a provision without prejudice to the present plans.

5th. May I request the favor of your forwarding my recommendation to Government with your approval.

Referred, through the Department Public Works, to the Chief Engineer.

(True Extract and Copy.)

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

No. 4. ORDER THEREON, No. 637; dated 10th April 1858.

Ordered to be communicated to the Chief Engineer.

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

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T. Pycroft
Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. A. Wilson.

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