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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 20th April 1858.

No. 58. Read the following Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Military Department, dated 25th March 1858, No. 1070.

Read the following letter from Major F. H. SCOTT, Deputy Quarter Master General of the Army; to Colonel C. A. BROWNE, Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated 23rd March 1858, No. 128.

SIR,

Consequent on the Horsing the Battery of Artillery at Bellary, the Officer Commanding Ceded District has made application for various adaptations of the old Left Wing European Barracks, besides other buildings in the Fort for the accommodation of the men, and the cover of the Harness and Stores of the Battery.

The Commander-in-Chief does not feel inclined to entertain the whole of Major General Macleod's suggestions, as the quartering of the Artillery at Bellary is likely to undergo great changes, but His Excellency has selected the following, and recommends the several works for immediate execution, as inexpensive, and at the same time, certainly most requisite.

1. A room has been set aside in the old Left Wing Barracks as a Lecture room attached to the Museum, it has not been used as such, nor is it likely to be, a portion of this Room to be converted into Quarters for the Staff Serjeants of the Battery.

2. A Harness Room—by running up a wall across one end of the Barracks—stands for Harness to be placed therein.

3. A door to be substituted for a window at one end of the Barracks to facilitate the communication with the Cook Rooms and Privy.

4. Brackets for Saddles, and Hooks for Bridles, required to be removed, and made available in the new Quarters, which His Excellency hopes will be authorised.

5. Such repairs to the old Dhooly shed, as may make it available for the keeping of Stores, to be made.

There are many other points mentioned by General Macleod, which His Excellency refrains from noticing at present, in the hope that the Battery occupying the Fort may be but a temporary arrangement.

The Governor in Council approves of the suggestions offered in the foregoing letter, and sanctions the whole of these works for immediate execution.

(True Extract & Copy.)

(Signed) W. H. WAPSHARE, Major,

Ag. Dy. Secretary to Government.

No. 59. ORDER THEREON, No. 663; dated 16th April 1858.

Ordered to be communicated to the Chief Engineer.

(Signed) H. FORBES,

Acting Secretary to Government.

No. 1070.

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H. N. Napier
Ag. Dy. Secretary to Government.

To the Quarter Master General.
„ Department Public Works. *With 3 space Copies.*

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