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No. 43. Read the following Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Military Department, dated 7th April 1858, No. 1202.

Read the following letter from Colonel F. A. REID, Quarter Master General of the Army; to Colonel C. A. BROWNE, Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Ootacamund, 22nd March 1858, No. $\frac{25}{141}$.

SIR,

The state of the Lines of the Native Infantry at Cannanore, more specially of those now occupied by the 11th Regiment, has long been a subject of complaint and correspondence, both as regards want of regularity as well as material, and His Excellency in his recent visit to the above Station, examined into the matter himself and he has now directed me to request you will be so good as to lay it before Government.

Two things are required in the 11th Regiment Lines, viz. a considerable addition to the present cramped site and a re-laying out of the whole Ground.

2ndly. Tiles to be substituted for the ordinary Cadjan leaves, hitherto such a fertile source of calamity from fires.

To effect the first, the accompanying plan has the Commander-in-Chief's approval, and although somewhat encroaching on the Drill Ground, it will be observed in the 5th Para. of Brigadier FitzGerald's letter, there will still remain ample room for the Adjutant's Drill and as the Brigadier very justly remarks, the Regiments having a ten minutes march to its Exercise Ground cannot count with the advantage gained by giving the men open healthy and safe Lines.

To effect the 2nd object, His Excellency would venture to hope, that a sum of *money may be authorised to be advanced by the Paymaster to Major Ireland, equal to the expense of tiling the whole of the huts, as a loan, to be repaid by the men in easy instalments—The men will thus preserve their right in the Lines and dispose of them to the Regiment that eventually relieves it.

* Viz. 12,000 Rupees as was granted to the 21st and 28th Regiments N. I.

The Commander-in-Chief would beg early attention to this subject, in order that something may be done, if possible before the S. W. Monsoon sets in.

The Lines of the 3rd Regiment are not so much to be complained of, though it would be highly advantageous if they too were tiled, for they are alike subject to fires, from the extreme combustible matter now composing the roofs of the Huts.

The Governor in Council approves of the plan proposed for adding to the site of the Lines of the 11th Regiment, and in compliance with the recommendation of the Commander-in-Chief an advance of Rupees (12,000) twelve thousand, is granted as a special case to the 11th Regiment for the purpose of erecting tiled Huts, to be repaid in 20 monthly instalments.

(True Extract and Copy.)

(Signed) W. H. WAPSHARE, Major,
Ag. Dy. Secretary to Government.

No. 44. ORDER THEREON, No. 765; dated 23rd April 1858.

Ordered to be communicated to the Chief Engineer for information.

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

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

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W. B. Wallace Maya
Ag. Dy. Secretary to Government.

To the Quarter Master General.
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„ Military Auditor General,
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