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FORT SAINT GEORGE, the 1st September ---------- 1857.

Public Works Department,

TUESDAY

At Meeting of the Council of Fort Saint George,

Present.

THE RIGHT HONORABLE LORD HARRIS,

Governor and President.

HIS EXCELLENCY LIEUTENANT GENERAL P. GRANT, C. B.

Commander in Chief.

The Honorable WALTER ELLIOT, ESQUIRE.

and

The Honorable SIR H. C. MONTGOMERY, BART. Absent on leave.

Minutes of last Consultation, approved.

The following Diary Papers are ordered to be recorded.

Purport of the Papers considered.	Abstract of the Resolution passed and Letters sent.	Date of Resolution or Letter.	Reported to England.
No. From the Chief Engineer. 11th Augt 57 No 1608. Requests with reference to Govt Mins: Cons: No 2883. 23d October 55 to be informed whether any decision has been arrived at by Govt as to how the buildings in the Fort at Arnee are to be disposed of.	No 32. Order Forwarding to the Chief Engineer a copy of the order of the 27th Inst. containing the information sought by him.	26th Augt No 1637	
No 33. From the Chief Engineer. 11th Augt 57 No 1607. Submits the opinion respecting Captain Greenaway's nomination to the command of the Sappers required in Extract Minutes Consultation No 3529 of the 6th Instant.	No 34. Order Regretting that Govt are unable to place Captain Greenaway's service at the disposal of the Commander in Chief	26th Augt No 1638	

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No 5. Minis: of Cons: in the Ecclesiastical Dept: 15th Augt 57 No 1663. Sanctioning for entry in the Budget of 58 and 59 the Estimates amounting in the aggregate to Rupees 2,495 for enclosing the three Burial grounds at Rajahmundry Cocanada and Juggernaickpoorum.	No 6. Order Communicated to the Chief Engineer with reference to his Proceedings dated 13th July 1857, No 1985.	26th Augt No 1635	
No 7. Minis: of Cons: Military Dept: 8th Augt 57 No 1643. Observing that if the site of the proposed Well to be sunk at Cannanore, contiguous to the Elephant Lines, for the use of those Animals, can be purchased at a fair valuation, the work may be sanctioned.	No 8. Order Requesting the Chief Engineer to ascertain and report for what amount the site of the well proposed to be sunk contiguous to the Elephant lines at Cannanore, can be had.	26th Augt No 1644	
No 9. To the India House. 26th Augt 57 No 1641. Transmitting the Proceedings of the Govt in the Public Works Department for the month of July 1857.			

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No 10 From the Chief Engineer 21st Augt 57 No 1679. Forwards for sanction under Clause 11 Ex: Mins: Cons: No 696 dated 18th Octr 1855, an Estimate for erecting a permanent Verandah in front of the Cantonment Office at the Mount amounting to Rs 175.	No 11 Order Referred to the Military Department for consideration.	26th Augt No 1642.	
No 12 Minis: of Cons: Military Dept: 29th July 57 No 1633. Authorizing the immediate execution, under the directions of the Brigadier Commanding the Mount, of certain works proposed by the Quarter Master General, leaving any further arrangements to be made hereafter.	Vide entry opposite No 11.		
No 13 Minis: of Cons: Military Dept: 8th Augt 57 No 1617. Sanctioning the advance of 2,000 Rupees applied for by the Officer Commanding the Mount, to enable him to commence the works, to fortify the Hill at that Station.	Vide entry opposite No 11.		

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No. 14 From the Acctt. Genl. 14th Augt. 57 pc No. 1628. With reference to Brigadier Shirreff's request that the Sub Treasurer may be instructed to disburse to him the sum of Rs. 2,000 sanctioned in the Military Deptt. for fortifying the Hill at St. Thomas Mount, brings to notice that the District Engr. of Chingleput has been directed to make the advance instead of the Sub Treasurer for the reason explained within.	No. 15 Mins: of Cons: Approving of the Course followed by the Accountant General in directing the Dist. Engr. of Chingleput, to pay at once the advance required by the Officer Commg. the Mount, for fortifying the Hill at that station from the funds placed at his disposal for the execution of Public Works.	26th Augt. No. 1643.	
No. 16 From the Collr. of Tinnevelly 10th Augt. 57 pc No. 1658. Forwarding correspondence both with Mr. Story and with the Secretary to the Board of Examiners, Madras, on the subject of the examination of the Engr. Officers of that District in Tamil, and requesting under the circumstances represented in his letter to the Secretary to the Board of Examiners of that date, should Govt. be pleased to order	Vide entry opposite No. 17.		
No. 17 From the Civil & Sessions Judge of Tinnevelly. 12th Augt. 57. pc No. 1657. Reporting the causes which prevented the Examination of Messrs Oakes and Hasted, in the vernacular Language and requesting further instructions on the subject.	No. 18 Mins: of Cons: Expressing surprise that the present Judge and Collector of Tinnevelly, should descend to so petty a dispute as explained in their respective letters, and desiring them immediately to proceed with the examination of the Officers of the P. Wds. under the orders passed on the 4th of June last.	26th Do. No. 1644.	

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No. 19 Pro: of the Chief Engineer 12th Augt. 57 pc No. 1614. Recommends that the supplemental estimate amounting to Rupees 11,504 for completing the Wyacondam extension, be forwarded for the early sanction of the Government of India.	No. 20 Mins: of Cons: Resolving to forward to the Government of India the Supplemental Estimate amounting to Rupees 11,504, recommended with the Chief Engineer's letter of the 4th May last for completing the Wyacondam Channel in the Trichinopoly Dist. and soliciting sanction for the entry of the Estimate in the Budget of 1858/59.	27th Augt. No. 1645.	
	No. 21 To the Govt. of India. Submitting for sanction and entry in the Budget of 1858/59, a Supplemental Estimate amounting to Rs. 11,504, for completing the Wyacondam Channel in the Trichinopoly and Tanjore Districts.	27th Do. No. 1646.	
	No. 22 To the Govt. of India. 27th Augt. 57. pc No. 1647. Forwarding six printed Copies of a letter from Colonel A. Cotton, Commandant of Engineers, communicating his observations on the Navegation of the Upper Godavery, together with an Extract from the Minutes of Cons: of the 1st Instt. containing the orders passed by that Govt. upon a receipt of the same.		

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No 23 To the Resident at Hyderabad 27th Augt 57 No 1648. Forwarding two printed Copies of a letter from Colt A. Cotton, Commandant of Engineers, on the subject of the navigation of the Upper Godavery, and an Extract Mins: Cons: of the 14th Instant containing the orders passed by this Government upon a review of the same.			
No 24 Mins: of Cons: Military Dept. 22nd Augt 57 No 1680. Sanctioning for entry in the Budget of 1858/59 an Estimate amounting to Rs. 1,310 for improvements to the Staff Serjeants Quarters at Samulcottah.	No 25. Order Communicated to the Chief Engr with reference to his Report dated 3d Augt 1857, No 2615.	28th Augt No 1649.	
No 26. From the Chief Engineer 3d Augt 57 No 1556. D Forwards an estimate amounting to Rupees 17,500 for the construction of Court Houses in the vicinity of Salem, and recommends it for entry in the Budget for 1858-59.	No 27. Mins of Cons: Sanctioning for entry in the Budget of 1858-59 an Estimate amounting to Rupees 17,500, for the construction of Court Houses in the vicinity of Salem.	28th D° No 1650.	

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No 28. From the Chief Engineer 17th Augt 57 No 1640. In continuation of his letter No 1848, dated 8th Ultimo & in further reference to Contract Minutes Cons: No 1235 of the 2d Idem, forwards copies of letters from the District Engr of Cuddapah & Bellary, on the subject of the surplus timber supplied to the Bellary Barracks & observes that he considers it unadvisable to dispose of any portion of it, but that the whole should be stored as soon as possible at Cuddapah.	No 29. Mins: of Cons: Directing that the Timber remaining after the completion of the Bellary Barracks, be stored at the Asst Engineer's Depôt at Cuddapah, in order that it may be at once available, when required for buildings & works soon probably to be undertaken at that Station.	28th Augt No 1651.	
No 30. From the Chief Engr 18th Augt 57 No 1651. With reference to para 62 of Extract Mins: Cons: No 961 dated 19th May last, forwards Copies of reports from Lieut Haig and Mr Tuke explaining the circumstance under which certain timber was cut in the Godavery forests.	No 31. Mins: of Cons: Observing that Govt see nothing in the Papers now submitted to lead them to change the opinion they formerly expressed of the impropriety of Mr Tuke having engaged in private speculations of cutting certain timber in the Godavery Forest) while employed in a Government survey.	28th D° to Engr No 1652.	3 Novr 1857 P. 18 P. 1.
No 32. Mins: of Cons: 28th Augt 57 No 1653. Requesting the Marine Board to provide Mr May, the 1st Officer of the "Jumna", a passage to Coringa at the public expence.			

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No 33. To the Govt of India. 29th Augt 57. No 1654. Transmitting Copies of Despatches to the Honorable the Court of Directors forwarded by the Mail of the Current Month.			
No 34. Mins: of Cons: Military Dept 26th Augt 57. No 1703. Sanctioning the Estimate for entry in the Budget of 58-59, amounting to Rs 2,180, being the probable cost of dividing off a portion of the Yard near Messrs Parry & Co's Office on the North Beach, & of constructing Sheds to contain Sick Carts & Dhoolies for Troops embarking and debarking.	1st Sept No 35. Order. Communicated to the Chief Engineer with reference to his Letter of 12th August No 2856.	29th Augt to No 1655.	
No 36. Pro: of the Chief Engineer. 12th June 57. No 1206. Forwards, for the information of Govt a Report from the Supt Engr 4th Circle, of the present Condition of the Brambady Ghaut, and recommends that, whilst the execution of the communication is very properly in the hands of the Mysore Govt, the periodical examination and Report suggested by Major Lanfard, be continued with the District Engr of Malabar.	Vide entry of opposite No 37.	To Engd 3d Feby 1859 No 1 Pt.	

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No 37. From the Chief Engineer. 3d Augt 57. No 1551. Forwards an Estimate for the Repair of the Perambady Ghaut, and recommends, for reasons set forth, that immediate sanction be given for the full amount of Pucklas Estimate Rs 12,700 including the 3,000 Rs already conditionally authorized.	No 38. Mins: of Cons: Sanctioning the reappropriation of Rs 4,700 of the unexpended, (viz Rs 4,700) of the authorized Estimate for the repair of the Perambady Ghaut, (situated on Trunk Road No 4, running from Cannanore to the Mysore Frontier) amounting to Rupees 12,700.	29th Augt to Engd No 1656	3d Feby 1859 No 1 Pt.
No 39. Pro: of the Chief Engineer. 14th Augt 57. No 1642. Communicates a Letter from the District Engr Cuddapah forwarding a Survey of Trunk Roads No 11 from Pedair to Cuddapah and requests to favor the Chief Engr with early instructions as to the Scale of the Road Maps called for in Exc: Mins: Cons: No 975 dated 22d May 1857.	No 40. Mins: of Cons: Observing that the object of Govt in the Road Maps is to see the state of each Trunk Line, and the Chief Engineer is at liberty to adopt any scale that may be convenient to him, keeping the main object in view.	29th Do. No 1657	
No 41. From the Chief Engineer. 27th Augt 57. No 1714. Forwards, for sanction, an Estimate amounting to Rupees 1000 for constructing three Stone Platforms in the Forage yard of the 1st Regiment Light Cavalry at Trichinopoly.	No 42. Order. Referred to the Military Department.	29th Do. No 1658.	

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No 43. Rec: of the Chief Engineer. 19th August 57 No 1661. Forwards a letter from the District Engineer of Trichinopoly, and recommends that a monthly Office rent of Rupees 2 1 8 be granted to him.	No 44. Order. Authorized.	31st Augt No	
No 45. From the Government of India. 3d Augt 57 No 1676. Sanctioning the increase to establishment of the Toll Office attached to Cochrane's Canal, and authorizing the entertainment of an establishment for working the Shadien or Spinn Lock.	No 46. Mins: of Cons: Communicating to the Chief Engineer the sanction of the Government of India for the increase to the Establishment of the Toll Office attached to Cochrane Canal, with reference to his letter dated 24th April 1857.	31st Augt Dr No 1662	To Engd 24th Octr 1857 No 14 P. 12 173
No 47. Rec: of the Chief Engineer. 8th August 57 No 1591. Recommends that as Assistant Overseer Corporal Galvin is reported to be unequal to his duties, from an utter want of energy and resolution, he be remanded to the Corps of Sappers and Miners and that Sub Overseer Sub conductor Mr Enright be promoted to Assistant overseer.	No 48. Mins: of Cons: Observing that the leave recommended by the Distt Engineer of Trichinopoly to assistt Overseer Galvin, on Medical Certificate, should be granted as time.	31st Augt Dr No 1661.	

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No 49. Rec: of the Chief Engineer. 18th Augt 57 No 1658. Submits a letter from the Collector of Trichinopoly, requesting blank printed forms for the Irrigation Register, and solicits for distribution a number of the above forms.	No 50. Mins: of Cons: Observing that the blank forms for the Irrigation Registers having been furnished to the Chief Engr with the order of the 18th June, all that is now requisite is that he should have them Lithographed, and should leave a sufficient number of sheets struck off for distribution.	31st Augt No 1662	
No 51. Mins: of Consultation. 31st Augt 57 No 1663. Requesting His Excellency the Commander in Chief, to place the services of Sergeant J. F. Woodward, of the 2d European Light Infantry, at the disposal of Govt.			
Consultation.			
No 52. From Lieut. A. D. Taylor I. N. Commg H. C. S. Vessel Tenasserim 27th July 57 No 1598. Forwarding a report on the Harbours & Rivers of Canara, and stating that upon reconsidering his report on the Harbour of Beitkul, he is now of opinion that his former views were too circumscribed, & that any Works to be undertaken at Beitkul, should be on a large scale, with observations & suggestions on certain neighbouring Ports & Outlets.	No 53. Order. Forwarding a report to Lieut A. J. Collow for any remarks that he may wish to offer	1st Septr No 1664	To Engd 16th Septr 1858 No 9 P. 3.

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No 54. From the Chief Engineer. 30th July 57. No 1571. With reference to Extract Mins: Cons: No 2409, dated 23d December 1856, forwards correspondence together with a plan showing the arrangements of the present and proposed towns of Rowlacheruvaram in the Rajahmundry District.	No 55. Mins: of Cons: Approving the plan on which it is proposed to lay out the new towns of Dow Lacotwarum in the Distt: of Rajahmundry, and desiring that under the restrictive orders now in force, no expense be incurred in carrying out the improvements for which estimates amounting in the aggregate to Rupees 46240, were not entered in the Budget of 1857/58.	1st Septr. No 1665.	
No 56. Mins of Cons: Judicial Dept. 24th Augt 57. No 1707. Approving the erection of a brick in Chunam wall, on the eastern and Southern sides of the Compound of the Royapettah Police Court House, & directing that the necessary orders be issued through the Public Works Department, for the execution of the works.	No 57. Order. Ordered that the above Estimate be entered in the Budget of 1858/59.	1st Do. No 1666.	
No 58. From the Chief Engineer 27th Augt 57. No 1708. Forwards for submission to Government Reports &c. received from the Garrison Engineer on the condition of the several buildings forming the Gun Powder Manufactory.	No 59. Order. Referred to the Military Department.	1st Do. No 1667.	

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No 60. From the Acct: General. 14th Augt 57. No 1736. Acquaints that M. C. Moorooguasem Moodelliar Principal Uncovenanted Apptt. of his office has proffered his services to prepare the necessary Manual and Forms without any stipulated condition and he has with the Accountant General's permission commenced upon the Manual and proceeded first to deal with the duties of each Account employed on special work with revised forms for the same & forwards for the inspection of Govt a Memorandum of two persons duties with forms relating to them, prepared & printed as a specimen of this portion of the proposed Manual.	No 61. Mins: of Cons: Under the circumstances stated by the Accountant General, of Mooroogasem Moodelliar being at present engaged in the preparation of a Manual of Instructions and of Forms to be observed in the Accountant Genl's Office, the Govt are willing to defer the inspection of Accounts to be kept in the interior till a favorable opportunity occurs; but they would at the same time direct the Accountant General, that they consider this duty to be far the more important of the two.	1st Septr. No 1668.	

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