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FORT SAINT GEORGE, *the 15th December* - - - - - - - - 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.
Min. of the Chief Engr. 25th Augt 1857 and 3 Octr 1857. Transmits Correspondence from the Assistant Engr Kistnah Division, & Executive Engr Cuddapah Division, regarding the unfitness physically & morally of Assistant Overseer M. Kelly to continue the duties of his situation, & recommends his removal from the Service. In the event of the Assistant	Executive Engr Cuddapah Division removed. Chief Engr recommends that Overseer M. Kelly be permitted to resign his appointment. Post for promotion to fill Vacancy.		
Min. of the Chief Engr 2d Septr & 5th Octr 1857. Communicating a Letter from the Superintending Engr Canals, requesting sanction a monthly rent of 12 Rs for a Bungalow at Vellicad occupied by his Office & recommends the same for sanction.	Chief Engr requesting the Engineer to report what have been the Rents fixed for other Bungalows at Vellicad & under what Circumstances.	15th Dec. 1857	

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No 5. From the Chief Engr 29th Augt 1758 para 1728 Forwarded for entry in the Budget of 1858/59 an Estimate of £2,800 for Constructing a Choultry at Puroshaguddda on the Road between Russelcondah and Nonjarabad in the Ceyoong District.	No 6 Order Sanctioned.	9th Sept 1858
No 7. From the Chief Engr 2 Septr 1858 para 1766. Forwarding for Sanction an Estimate amounting to £324 for Reconstructing a well situated in the ground lately purchased by Government on the East side of Marshalls Road.	No 8. Order Communicated to the Public Deptt with reference to Exct Mines Cons: in that Deptt dated 23 July 1858.	9th Sept 1858
No 9. From the Chief Engineer 26th Augt 1858 para 1761. Instructions for the consideration and Report on a Map with Letter from the Revd Edgr Bellary declaring on the Site for the Barracks proposed to be erected for the artillery at that Station and Estimate Amounting to £1,200 for Repairing and Enlarging the Present Barracks for the accommodation of Troops. Returned with further correspondence the Map Reference Section of the Plan.	No 10 Order Referred to the Military Department.	9th Sept 1858

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No 11. From the Chief Engineer. 28th Augt 1858 para 1716. With reference to Extract Proc: Cons: of the 29th Augt 1856 No 15 42 Declining the receipt of the revised Account Current for May 1856 from the Collr of Guntoor on the 30th and from the Collr of Nellore with the Particulars of expenditure on the 27th Ultimo and requesting to be informed whether the Monthly Report on the Accounts from the Collrs of the Coast should be furnished or only its receipt communicated or only its receipt in the Office notified to Govt.	No 12. Clerk of Cons Observing that the Statement No 1722 of unpaid expenditure from the Collr of Nellore is long overdue and that Officer should be called upon to explain its Non-transmission and requesting the Chief Engineer to report to Govt whether the Document shall have to be received.	9th Septr	
No 13. Rec of the Bd of Revl 18th Augt 1858 para 1027. Transmitting Report from the Collr of Nellore and Chingleput on the Investigation of the conduct of Messrs Charles Comrades Revenue Surveyors.	Vide entry opposite at No 14.		
No 14. From the Agent & Manager for Railways 9th Augt 1858 para 1664. Letter with reference to the Financial Cons Engr's Letter No 69 of 1st Inst Expressing Satisfaction on the Proposal for the Construction of a Bridge over the Cortalaur River on the Line of Railway in accordance with the Recommendation of the Chief Engineer and Requesting to be informed whether the Sanction of Government to the Construction of the Bridge in question has been received.	No 15. Clerk of Cons: Communicating that the Government do not see any advantage that is likely to result by further continuing the enquiries as to who Charles &c.	9th Septr 1858	No 1723

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No 16. Minutes of Counc: 9th Sept: 57: No 1724. Requesting the Chief Engr to submit a report on the present state of the iron Steamer building at Bow, with an estimate of the cost of completing her, with such information as to the date when she may with certainty be expected to be ready for a voyage up the river.		
No 17. From the Chief Engr: 2d Sept: 57: No 1742. Informs that circumstances having rendered it expedient the employment in the Province of Mysore of a Master of the Survey School, it is recommended that Mr. D. Morgan Assistant Engr may be appointed to that charge on Rs 250 per mensem, with Horse allowance, and that Mr. Morgan's present salary as Assistant Engr may be granted to Lieut. Wilson of the Engrs on his proceeding to Mysore.	No 18. Minutes of Counc: Declining for reasons stated to accept the Chief Engineers recommendation of Mr. Morgan to fill the Master of the Survey School, but directing that Lieut. Wilson of the Engrs may be appointed to that charge on Rs 250 per mensem, with Horse allowance, and that Mr. Morgan may be granted the salary of Rs 70 to be drawn as an Assistant Engr.	9th Sept: 57: No 1744.
No 19. From the Govt of Bombay: 9th Sept: 57: No 1926. Requesting sanction for the services of Lieut Alexr of the Surveying Vessel "Nimrod" being made use of by the Govt on the Survey of the Bengal Harbours.		

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No 20. From the Chief Engineer. 10th Aug: 57: No 1631. Forwards a Recommendation for promotion to Conductor for promotion to Conductor Robertson, recommended to his Corps, and of two Non-Commissioned Officers of Sappers and Miners employed in the D. B. Wks for promotion to the grades of Sub Conductor (in one instance) Sub Conductor Wks & Colour Sergt Conductor Wks & Colour Sergt Robertson, and the other to hold the Warrant become vacant by the removal of Sub Conductor Oliver to his Corps, & requests sanction for their promotions to be Gazetted, to take effect respectively from the date of the G. O. G. recommending Conductor Robertson & Sub Conductor Oliver their Corps.	No 21. To the Government of India: Relative to the Postage Concession in the Draft of a George Gazette of a limited number of Non Commissioned Officers in the D. B. Wks, considered observing & forwarding and requesting the sanction of the Govt of India thereto, in order that if incurrence of the error may not exist, be rectified by cancelling the promissive.	10th Sept: 57: No 1727.	
No 22. Minutes of Couns: Ecclesiastical Dept: 29th Aug: 57: No 1757. For the reasons stated during that the Construction of a well on the inner side of the Store drain bounding the Compound on the North side of the Church at Vizagapatam be sanctioned.	No 23. Order. Communicated to the Chief Engr with reference to his letter dated 8th Inst: No 1887 No 2566.	10th Sept: 57: No 1728.	
No 24. Minutes of Couns: Public Dept: 17th Aug: 1857. No 1713. Sanctioning an Estimate amounting to Rs 1030 for constructing detached Cells for Lunatic Patients to the Dispensary at Calicut.	No 25. Order. Ordering that the Estimate sanctioned in the Public Dept: be entered in the Budget of 1858/59.	10th Sept: 57: No 1729.	

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№26. Minis: of Con: Ecclesiastical 2d Sept: 57: 1780. Calling upon the Venble the Archdeacon to instruct the Chaplain of Tellicherry to receive charge of the Cemetery and Church from the agent of the R. E. I. P. G. F. G.	№27. Order. Communicated to the Chief Engineer.	10th Septr. 1780.	
№28. From the Chief Engineer. 29th Augt 57: 1722. Submitting for the approval of Govt a revised design with an Estimate for a standard Cookery Cutcherry with Reference to Con: Mins: Cons: 25th April last: No 789: & stating that the same provides ample accomodation & is a decided improvement to the present style of such buildings.	№29. Order. Board of Revenue for early report.	10th Oct. 1722.	
№30. From the Govt of India. 7th Augt 57: 1725. Intimating that the Letter from the Govt of India limiting the expenditure on the Public Works was not intended to prevent the execution of such repairs as might be necessary for their maintenance in a condition of complete efficiency, and that the Clearances of Irrigation Channels, and Repairs should most certainly be proceeded with.	№31. Minis: of Con: Communicating to the Chief Engr that he may proceed with the clearances of Irrigation Channels and such repairs to Buildings as may be necessary for their maintenance in complete efficiency & that they certainly be proceeded with.	10th Septr. 1732.	

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№32. Pro: of the Chief Engineer. 21st Augt 57: 1673. Forwarding copies of correspondence explaining the circumstances which led to Moneravanny Mairiyr's resignation of his employment in North Malabar District.	№33. Minis: of Con: Declining, for reasons stated, to sanction Moneravanny Mairiyr's re-employment in the service.	10th Septr. 1733.	
№34. From the Chief Engineer. 18th Augt 57: 1652. Forwards an application for rent of the house occupied as the Office of the Civil Architect at the Presidency & recommends under the circumstances detailed within that the rent from April to June be sanctioned for disbursement to Mr. Burnside.	№35. Minis: of Con: Sanctioning disbursement of the Bill submitted & letter Williams for the rent of the house occupied as the Office of the Civil Architect at the Presidency from April to June 1857.	10th Sept. 1734.	21st Dec. 1857. No 24 Pg
№36. Pro: of the Chief Engineer. 1st Augt 57: 1738. Submits copy of a letter from his Chief Engineer Bombay with Estimate amounting to Rupees 2490 for constructing a Cooking shed for the Infantry escort at Mysore Lines.	№37. Order. Observing that the Shed referred to having been already authorized for erection out of the grass Cess fund the Estimate must be submitted for that work in question sanctioned.	11th Sept. 1735.	

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No 1237 From the Govt of India 7th Augt /57. No 1741. Forwarding Rules for the prevention of doubts or confusion in the disbursements of the Salaries of Officers in the Dept of Public Works when employed at the charge of private persons, of Local Funds, or of Foreign States.	No 39. Order Communicated to the Chief Engineer, Secretary Govt and Civil Auditor.	11th Sept No 1738
No 40. Pro: of the Chief Engr 7th Sept /57. No 1788. Forwards for the order of Govt copy of a letter from the District Engr Salem, with its enclosures respecting the appointment of Lieutenant Clay to assume temporary Command of the Detachment at Salem.	No 41. Order Referred to the Medical Department.	11th Sept No 1739
No 42. From the Chief Engr 6th Dec /56. No 2811. Forwards for sanction an estimate for completing the road from Cuddapah to the Nellore frontier via Budwell and the Poreyal Pass, amounting to Rs 4,2,900 in the District of Cuddapah, and recommends it for entry in the Budget of 1857-58.	No 43. Clerk of Works Informing sanctions to the Estimate for Rs 4,2,900 with additions to the sums already sanctioned for completing the road from Cuddapah to the Nellore frontier via Budwall and the Poreyal Pass.	12th Dec No 39

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No 44. Minrs of Cons: Mad Dept 1st Sept /57. No 1793. Approving of the Plan for the Central Jail to be erected at Bellary, & directing the Dist Engr to prepare an Estimate of the Cost by Lowest Rate, as Lt Col Rohde is of opinion that the present Prison at Trichinopoly can be turned into a Central Jail on the Plan now approved at a less expense than would attend the erection of an entirely new Structure there directing the Dist Engr accordingly to furnish Estimates for both Schemes.	No 45. Order Directing the Chief Engr to instruct the District Engrs of Bellary and Trichinopoly to furnish detailed Estimates in communication with the Inspector of Prisons for the Central Prisons proposed to be erected at those Stations.	12th Sept No 1739.	
No 46. Minrs of Cons: Ecclesiastical Dept 2 Sept /57. No 1796. Sanctioning the erection of a Mallabar Cadjan Building on the Plan submitted, for the performance of Divine Service at the estimated Cost of Rs 2,929, to be included in the Budget of 1858-59.	No 47. Order Communicated to the Chief Engr with reference to the Report dated 3d Augt 1857. No 2615.	12th Sept No 1740.	
No 48. Minrs of Cons: Ecclesiastical. Fort St George 5th Sept /57. No 1794. Sanctioning the repairs & improvements proposed to the Church at Coonoor & the construction of a Mud mound the Burial Ground at the estimated cost of Rs 4,980 to be entered in the Budget for 1858-59.	No 49. Order Communicated to the Chief Engr with reference to Dist Engrs report dated 3d Augt 1857. No 2615.	12th Sept No 1741.	

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No 50. Minutes of Bard of Marine Dept. 18th Augt 1797 to 1st Sept 1704. Communicating a Despatch from the Honorable the Court of Directors authorizing the construction of the Iron Screw Pile Pier at Madras with the Modifications of the Plan suggested by the Committee in their Report of the 17th Decr Last, & promising to conclude the arrangement with Messrs Saunders & Mastchelle for the immediate Commencement of operations.	No 51. Order. Communicated to the Chief Engineer.	12th Sept. No 1742.	
No 52. From the Chief Engineer. 12th Augt 1857 No 1619. Forwards under clause 2 Extract Proc: Govt No 1696 dated 18th October 53, an Estimate of Rs 295,000 for a Canal of Navigation & Irrigation between Doomgoodeem & Davrapuly Upon Connexion with the Anicut at the Entrance Pulicat Barrier Upon Godavery & recommends the same for early in the Budget of 1858/59.	No 53. Minute of Govt: Observing on an Estimate for a Canal of Navigation and Irrigation between Doomgoodeem and Davrapully Upon Godaveri amounting to Rs 295,000 that the Hon. Court are alternately desirous to sanction no Canal or Cutting, which will not improve either the Navigation or Irrigation of the Country, & that the Chief Engineer should be ordered to report whether the plans proposed were the best that could be adopted.	14th Dec. No 1742.	To Engd. 3 Nov. 1857 No 18 P.
	No 54. To the Government of Madras Forwarding the Copy of a Letter with accompanies from the Chief Engineer relative to the survey of the Canal and drawings connected with Pulicat Barrier on the Godaveri.	14th Dec. No 1744.	

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No 55. Minutes of Govt: Judicial Dept. 9th April 57 to 1797. Communicating copies of Col Baker's Letter & Estimate accompaniments & requesting the Engr of the Carnatic District in communication with the Inspector of Prisons to submit Plans & Estimate for a Jail on the Nazgherries capable of containing 100 European Convicts.	No 56. Order Communicated to the Chief Engineer.	14th Dec. No 1745.	
No 57. Minutes of Govt: Ecclesiastical Dept. 2d Feb 58 to 1790. Observing that on the receipt of a Report from the Chief Engr in regard to the Rooms attached to the Jack Catella Barracks in which Divine Service has hitherto been held, Govt will be prepared to Consider finally the question of erecting a Church at that Station.	No 58 Order Communicated to the Chief Engineer with reference to Ecclesiastical Minutes 5th May 57 to 589.	14th Dec. No 1746.	
589 Minutes of Govt: Military Dept. 7th Sept 57 to 1812. Communicating that 4 Companies of Hanoverian or European Light Infantry placed at the disposal of Govt for temporary employment on a Particular Service on the Public Works Department on the Tumbudra	No 60 Order Communicated to the Chief Engineer.	14th Dec. No 1747.	

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No. 61. Mins. of Cons: Ecclesiastical Dept.t 4th Sept.r 57 pt.s 1804. Directing that the Church at Chicacole, be brought on the Return of Public Buildings, & that Orders be issued from the D.P.W. for the execution of the requisite repairs, not at the outlay proposed.	No. 62. Order. Requesting the Chief Engineer to give necessary instructions to the District Engineer of Ganjam to have the repairs to the Church at Chicacole executed at the Estimated outlay of Rupees 280.	14th Sept.r No. 1748.	
No. 63. Mins. of Cons: Stud.l Dept.t 4th Sept.r 57. pt.s 1803. Returning to the Chief Engr. the Plan of the Entrance for the Head of Police at Chicacole, with a request that he will devise some other Plan which, while it affords every accommodation for the purpose intended will also be capable of defence in Cases of emergency.	No. 64. Order. Requesting the Chief Engineer to submit a revised Plan for the building proposed.	15th Sept.r No. 1749.	
No. 65. Dupo: of the Chief Engineer. 3d Sept.r 57 pt.s 1768. Communicates copy of a Letter from the District Engr. Bellary, reporting upon the two severely damaged Bridges on the road from Condatayr to Darojee.	No. 66. Order. Expressing further reports called for from the District Engineer.	15th Sept.r No. 1750.	

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No. 67. From the Chief Engineer. 26th Aug.t 58 pt.s 1700. Still referred to Para 2 of Extract Mins: Cons: No. 1486 of the 16th Instt. forwards copy of a Letter from the Distt. Engr. of Bellary, reporting on the conduct of Sub Engr. Chedumbra Roo=dclear.	No. 68. Order. Informing Chedumbra Roo that the Engineer Staff the manner in which he is reported by the Dist.t Engineer to have conducted his Office duties, is not creditable to him.	15th Sept.r No. 1751.	
No. 69. Dupo: of the Chief Engineer. 5th Sept.r 57 pt.s 1778. Communicates Copies of Correspondence from the Distt. Engr. Canara & recommends that Overseer Curran may be permitted to resign his Abkaree Contract on the S.W.P. that Mr. Hosken Survey Establishment.	No. 70. Cheif Engr. Cons: 15th Sept.r 57 Requesting that the Persons of the 3d Grade, with the Exception of Mr. Hosken, may be discharged with Gratuities, agreeably to the Scale of Reduction of the Existing Establishments.	15th Sept.r No. 1752.	
No. 71. Dupo: of the Chief Engineer. 5th Sept.r 57 pt.s 1777. Previous to the intimation of Court's Order of a Letter from the Distt. Engr. Bellary, reporting the death of Assistt. Overseer Sawmy, and recommending that Chapparam Cadoo may succeed him in the Office of the Deceased.	No. 72. Order. Requesting the Chief Engineer to the order of the Court dated 15th Sept.r 1752, and to direct that the Establishment of Assistt. Overseer Sawmy may be struck off the Establishment from the date of his decease.	15th Sept.r No. 1753.	

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1673. From the Chief Engineer. 1st Septr 5th to 1758. Submits for the Consideration of Govt Copy of a Letter from the District Engr of Tanjore suggesting that the executive Charge of the District Roads & the Nearest and Establishment should be transferred to his Dept & Conjures in the charge prepared by Mayor Bardwood.	1674. Minute of Consn Requesting the Chief Engineer to submit his opinion of the Letter of Tanjore and the Copy of the Civil Engr for transferring to civil Dept the Executive Charge of the Roads & the Establishment	15th Septr 1758	
1675. Extr of the Chief Engr 3d Octr 5th to 1758. Submits Copy of a Letter from the District Engineer Tanjore Declaring that an accident has occurred to the Anicut across the river Coleroon which carries the water of the Cauvery and Vellar Rivers into the Tanks	1676. Order No 60 read and recorded	15th Octr 1758	
1677. Extr of the Chief Engr 4th Octr 5th to 1758. Forwards for information Copy of a Letter from the District Engr of Tanjore Great Apprehension that the Coleroon will breach and the Cauvery and Vellar Rivers unite	1678 Letter enclosed recommended	18th Octr 1758	

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