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FORT SAINT GEORGE, *the* 21st July ---------- 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. Absent on duty.

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. 1 From the Chief Engr. 7th July/57. No 1375. Submits correspondence from the District Engr. Godavery Division and Mr. Taylor on the subject of the Curves of the Coringa Harbour, and recommends Mr. Taylor's immediate dismissal from the Department.	No. 2. Mins: of Cons: Observing that Govt. are of opinion that Mr. G. Taylor's conduct would fully justify his immediate dismissal from the service of the East India Company, but considering that his resignation will take effect from the 1st Septr, they do not consider it necessary to take that notice of his insubordination, which, under other circumstances, would be imperative.	15th July No 1361.	Reply 21st Decr. 1857 No 24 P. 7
No. 3. From the Chief Engineer. 27th June/57. No 1299. Solicits orders of Govt. relative to the Repair &c. of the Military Buildings at Quilon and Cochin as no Members of the P. W. D. are employed at those Stations.	No. 4. Mins: of Cons: Observing that Government have no objection to the Officers in Command at Quilon and Cochin respectively being allowed to attend to the repair, &c. of the Military Buildings there.	15th July No 1362.	

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No 5. From the Adjt Genl of the Army - 18th June /57 - No 1257. With reference to Mins. Cons: No 680, dated 15th April 1857 - forwards Extract from Proc: of a District Court Martial on the trial of Thomas Byrne, Asst Overseer P. W. Departt.	No 6. Mins: of Cons: Directing that Pensioner Thomas Byrne, of the Madras European Vetn Battn & Asst Overseer in the D. P. W., be dismissed from the Departt and remanded to his Corps, the same being notified in the Gazette, for having been found by Court Martial guilty of embezzlement.	15th July No 1363	
No 7. From the Govt of India. 5th June /57 - No 1271. Forwarding copy of the reply of the Commissioner of Nagpore with enclosures regarding the opening of two Passes from the Northern part of the East Coast leading towards Nagpore territory, & intimating that any further information when received, will be communicated to the Govt Sec[illegible]	No 8. Mins: of Cons: Passing orders on a letter from the Secy to the Govt of India regarding the opening of two passes from the Northern part of the East Coast leading towards the Nagpore Territory.	15th Dec No 1364	Rep[illegible] 21st Dec 1857 No 24 P. P.
Mins: of Cons: Ecclesiastical Departt 3d July /57 - No 1385. Requesting the Chief Engr to Call upon the Civil Engr North Arcot to report on the present condition of the Church and Out-houses connected with it at Chittoor, and to submit a revised Estimate for placing them in good order.	No 10. Order. Communicated to the Chief Engineer in continuation of Cant Mins: of Cons: dated 12th Instt No 1135.	15th Dec No 1365	

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No 11. Pro: of the Chief Engineer - 9th July /57 - No 1394. Submits, with his opinion a letter from the Collr of Coimbatore, suggesting Bangalore as a better locality than the Neilgherry Hills for the Construction of a European Jail.	No 12. Order. Communicated to the Judicial Departt for consideration.	16th July No 1366	
No 13. From the Actg Collr of Guntoor - 23d June /57 - No 1303. Submitting for Consideration an arrangement to facilitate the payment of the Salaries of the subordinates of the D. P. W.	No 14. Order. Observing that no orders are necessary on the subject.	16th Dec No 1367	
Mins: of Cons: Military Departt 30th June /57 - No 1419. Observing that the Construction of a shed and Store and guard-room for the Rifle Musketry Depôt at Secunderabad will not now be required it being the intention of the Commander of the Forces shortly to discontinue the Depôt.	No 15. No 16. Order. Communicated to the Civil Engineer with reference to his Report dated 2 June 1857 No 863 C.	16th Dec No 1368	

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No 17. From the Chief Engineer. 2d July/57. No 1341. Forwards for sanction and Entry in the Budget of 1858-59, an Estimate of Rs 970 for additions to the Commissariat Store Godown at Pallicpooram in the Malabar District.	No 18. Order. Referred to the Military Deptt for consideration.	6th July No 1367	
No 19. Mins: of Cons: 17th July/57. No 1370. Passing orders on the proposals for the establishment of a systematic provision for the construction and maintenance of roads.		6th 24 Augt (illegible) 857 (illegible) 9th (illegible)	
No 20. Mins: of Cons: Public Deptt 3d July/57. No 1416. Calling for an Estimate for certain improvements to the Chingleput Dispensary.	No 21. Order. Communicated to the Chief Engineer, with reference to his letter dated 18th June/57. No 1328	17th July No 1371	

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No 22. From the Govt of India. 3d July/57. No 1161. Transmitting copy of an Est: from the Budget of the Current Off: year received from this Presidency with a view to give an idea of the description of Works which alone appear to the Govt of India, necessary to be carried on it being considered that all others should be at once suspended.	No 23. Mins: of Cons: Ordering the Chief Engr to make the necessary communication to the several Divl Engineers to report the mode in which he proposes to carry out the views of the Govt of India, shewing the works which it will be proper to undertake under the limitations prescribed, and the names of the Officers and Subordinates who may be recommended to their Regiments.	17th July No 1372	
No 24. Pro: of the Chief Engineer. 7th July/57. No 1395. Submits correspondence on the proposed new ghaut on the Eastern side of the Neelgherry Hills, and observes that it would be a grievous waste of money to make such an expenditure for Railway interests.	No 25. Order. Waiting for Captain Francis detailed Estimate, before passing orders on this subject.	18th Do No 1373	
No 26. Pro: of the Chief Engineer. 4th July/57. No 1356. Recommends that the sanction of Govt be given for obtaining the services of the English writer, by the Collector of Madura, until the 31st July 1857, for bringing up arrears of accounts and bills.	No 27. Order. Sanctioned.	18th Do No 1374.	

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No 28. Pro: of the Chief Engineer. 29th June 1857. No 1306. With reference to para 10 of Extract Minutes Cons: No 850 of the 2d Ultimo, requests to call upon Brigadier Shirreff to expedite his reply in the matter of complaint against Lieut. Moberly as no reply having been received to the Extract Proceedings of the Chief Engr, No 133, dated 7th May 1857, Communicating the above order of Govt for his information.	No 29. Order. Requesting Brigadier Shirreff to expedite his reply in the matter of his Complaint against Lt Moberly.	8th July No 1375.	
No 30. From the Chief Engineer. 3d July 1857. No 1350. Submitting under Clause II Extract Mins: Cons: No 696 dated 18th October 1855, an Estimate amounting to Rs 2,340 for re-building a portion of the compound wall of the Govt Garden House, and recommends the same for early sanction.	No 31. Order. For reasons stated, sanctioning the Estimate on emergency.	18th D: No 1376.	
No 32. From the Chief Engr. 3d July 1857. No 1358. Forwards, for sanction an Estimate amounting to Rs 280, for the construction of Arm Racks for Muskets in Charge of the Sibbundy Sepoys on Guard over Taluk Treasuries in the Tinnevelly District.	No 33. Order. Sanctioned for entry in the Budget of 1858-59.	18th D: No 1377.	

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No 34. Pro: of the Chief Engr. 26th June 1857. No 1288. Submitting a Copy of the Rule passed by the Govt of India on the 17th April last empowering Chief Engrs to sanction the temporary entertainment of Klasies by members of the D. P. W employed on special surveys & recommending that the same may be made applicable to the Madras P. W. D. & inserted in the Gazette.	No 35. Order. Observing that the Resolution of the Govt of India, was communicated to the Chief Engr, with the order of 26th June 1857.	18th July No 1378.	
No 36. From the Military Sec'y Govt 8th July 1857. No 1390. Observes that no leave on sick Certificate has before been granted to Lieut. Burn - also that the Chief Engr is not empowered to grant any leave except privilege leave.	No 37. Order. Communicated to the Chief Engineer with reference to this Proceedings of the 15th Ultimo No 1210.	18th D: No 1379.	
No 38. From the Resident Hyderabad. 30th June 1857. No 1365. Forwards an Extract of a letter from the Chief Engr of Hyderabad, regarding the Channel thro' which he is to communicate respecting the Buildings in Secunderabad and Jaulnah, and requests to be favored with the wishes of the Madras Govt on the subject.	No 39. To the Resident Hyderabad. Intimating that the Govt will be glad to receive communications regarding the buildings at Secunderabad and Jaulnah, through the Chief Engr of Madras.	18th D: No 1380.	

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No 40. Mins: of Cons: 18th July 57. No 1381. Directing certain Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers, and Soldiers now employed in D. P. W. to rejoin their several Corps, & to place their services from the 31st Instant at the disposal of the Provincial Commander in Chief.			
No 41. Pro: of the Chief Engineer. 8th July 57. No 1393. Submitting 4 Bills for works of Irrigation executed on Emergency in the District of Masulipatam amounting to Rs 264-18- for the Sanction of Govt.	No 42. Order. Sanctioned	20th July No 1382.	
No 43. From the Chief Engr 9th July 57. No 1397. Submitting under Clause II Ex: Mins: Cons: No 696 dated 18th October 1855, an Estimate amounting to Rs 200, for putting up Iron wire Gauze shutters to the 5 Windows of the Ordnance Godown at the North East angle of the Arsenal in Fort St George and recommends the same for Sanction.	No 44 Order. Sanctioned out of the one Lac fund.	20th July No 1383	

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No 45. From the Chief Engr 27th June 57. No 1295. Requests the Govt to allow the Office establishments of the Civil Architect & Garrison Engr to remain as recommended in a letter No 282 dated 13th May 1857.	No 46. Mins: of Cons: Declining to comply with the Civil Architect's request that the revised List of Office Establishment proposed by the Chief Engineer may be re-substituted, and observing that the Accountant has been ordered to remain with the Civil Architect, till the Bills for last year's work are brought up.	20th July No 1384	Reply 21st Decr 1857 No 24 P. L.
No 47. Pro: of the Chief Engr 29th June 57. No 1309. Forwards for information and orders a letter from the Supt Engr 4th Circle, Vindicating his conduct from the censure of Govt in regard to a proposed Grant of 200 Rs for the Survey of a line of Canal from Tanjore to Trichinopoly.	Vide entry opposite No 48.		
No 48. Pro: of the Chief Engr 8th July 57. No 1401. Forwarding in continuation of Despatch No 1617 of 23d ultimo report from the Supt Engineer 4th Circle, on the subject of the Survey of a Canal in Tanjore & Trichinopoly for the information of Govt.	No 49. Mins: of Cons: Observing that a long correspondence would have been avoided, had the Supt Engr 4th Circle, been more explicit in his first application for the proposed grant of 200 Rs for the Survey of a line of Canal from Tanjore to Trichinopoly.	20th July No 1385.	

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No 50. From the Chief Engineer. 7th July /57. No 1376. Submits Plans & Estimates amounting to Rs 4820, for a new Church at Chicacole as required by Ecc. Mins: Cons: No 450 of the 12th March /57, & solicits authority to include the same in List No 2 for the Budget of 1858/59. Explains further that a design has been adopted which admits of easy and inexpensive extension, and transmits in exemplification a progressive series of 3 Plans, costing respectively Rs 4820, Rs 7480, and Rs 11,500, for the information and favorable consideration of Government.	No 51. Order. Communicating to the Ecclesiastical Deptt, with reference to their Order of 2d March 1857.	21st July No 1335	
No 52. From the Govt of India. 2d June /57. No 1372. Confirming the alterations sanctioned in the permanent redistribution of Salaries in the Establt of the Chief Engineer's Office D. P. W. amounting to Rupees 35.	No 53. Mins: of Cons: Communicating to the Chief Engineer, Accountant General, and Civil Auditor, the sanction of the Government of India, to the redistribution of Establishment in the Chief Engineer's Office.	21st D: No 1387.	
No 54. From the Chief Engineer 30th July /57. No 1359. Forwards for the information of Govt, Correspondence relative to the purchase of the late Head Sheristadar's house at Vellum in Tanjore, for a Police Ameen's Cutcherry supported by the Collr's recommendation, and solicits the sanction of Govt for the alterations recommended by the Collector.	No 55. Mins: of Cons: Sanctioning the purchase of the late Sheristadar's house at Vellum in Tanjore for a Police Ameen's Cutcherry for the sum of Rs 1844, and directing that the money may be at once made over to the present owner. Also withholding sanction for the sum of Rs 53 for destroying a portion of the Compound wall, until the necessity for the work is clearly explained.	21st D: No 1388	

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No 62. From the Chief Engineer 2d July /57. No 1337. Submits for consideration and orders a letter from the Supt Engr Nth Circle proposing a timber bridge across the river Irrity on Malabar together with a Memo from Captn Francis on Major Lawford's letter above alluded to, and gives his opinion on the subject.	No 63. Mins: of Cons: Requesting the Chief Engineer to discuss the matter of constructing a Timber Bridge across the river Irrity in Malabar, with Major Lawford, and to submit a report.	21st July No 1392	To Engd 3 Feby 1858 No 1. P. 44.
No 64. Pro: of the Chief Engr 1st July /57. No 1331. Submitting for information of Govt a letter from the Superintending Engr Southern Circle reporting his intention of inspecting the Palaur Anicut Works after coming into Madras with the Chief Engineer's observations thereon.	Vide entry opposite No 65.		
No 65. Pro: of the Chief Engr 9th July /57. No 1392. Forwarding for the information of Govt a letter from the Supt Engr Southern Circle reporting his intention of proceeding direct to the Presidency before inspecting the Palaur works.	No 66. Mins: of Cons: Observing that it is not desirable that Major Lawford should go back for the inspection of works in North Arcot, which it was intended he should visit in his way to Madras, and directing him to resume his duties in the Central Office.	21st D: No 1393	

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No 56. Mins: of Cons: Judicial Dept. 9th July/57 No 1437. Calling upon the Chief Engineer to explain the manner in which the outer Wall of the Jail at Honawar was built, and to submit an Estimate for its reconstruction.	No 57. Order Referred to the Chief Engineer.	21st July No 1389.	
No 58. From the Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines. 6th July/57 No 1360. Offering observations on the employment of Canarese Ordnance Artificers for the Barracks at Jacktatillah directed in the 5th para of Mins of Cons: No 1276 of 1st June 1857.	No 59. Order Communicating to the Chief Engineer, with reference to his letter of 17th ult. of 1857, and considering it inexpedient to detach any of the Ordnance Artificers for employment on the Jacktatillah Barracks.	21st Do. No 1390.	
No 60. From the Chief Engr. 8th July/57 No 1380. Submitting a letter from Mr. Dr Hargan Asst. Engr. for favorable consideration of Govt. with the recommendation of the Chief Engr. that Mr. Hargan's application for a further period of 6 months grace from the 1st August next may be granted to enable him to qualify himself in a Vernacular Language laid down by the Rules of the 8th August last.	No 61. Mins: of Cons: Allowing Mr. D. Hargan, Asst. Engr, as a special case, a further period of Six Months Leave commencing from the 1st August 1857, to enable him to qualify himself in a Vernacular Language to the extent required by the Rules published in the Official Gazette of the 8th Augt 1856.	21st Do. No 1391.	

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No 67. Mins: of Cons: Public Dept. 7th July/57 No 1438. Approving the plans for accommodating the Steam Machinery for driving the Port Printing Presses attached to the Govt Office, and directing that the necessary Estimates be called for thro' the D. P. Works.	No 68. Order Requesting the Chief Engineer to submit the necessary Estimates for the building in question.	21st July No 1394.	
No 69. From the Chief Engr. 17th July/57 No 1463. Requests permission to transfer the services of Overseer Lincoln from the D. P. W. to the Electric Telegraph Department.	No 70. Order Referring this Letter to the Military Dept. for consideration and disposal.	21st D. No 1395.	
	No 71. Mins: of Cons: 21st July/57 No 1396 Authorizing the Revenue Authorities of Tanjore, to retain the Executive duties of that District, until further orders.		

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№ 72 Pro: of the Chief Engr. 11th July /57 № 1410. Communicates for information, a letter from the Supdt Engr C. C. containing replies to certain remarks of Govt on the work performed to the Nellore Workshops.	№ 73. Order.	To be recorded.	21st July № 1397.	
№ 74. Pro: of the Chief Engr. 9th July /57 № 1425. Submitting for the information of Govt with reference to Ex: Mins: Cons: № 382 of the 11th March /57 Copy of a letter from the Executive Engr Ganjam forwarding Statements of traffic for 1856/57 taken on road from Berhampore to Gopaulpore	№ 75. Order.	To be recorded.	21st D № 1398.	
№ 76. Pro: of the Chief Engr. 7th July /57. № 1379. Communicates for information and orders, a letter from the District Engr of Cuddapah offering a few remarks on matters connected with his District alluded to by the President in Council in his Minute on the subject of his tour in the Provinces.	№ 77. Order.	To be recorded.	21st D № 1399.	
№ 78. Pro: of the Chief Engr. 11th July /57. № 1407. Informing that previous similar orders were issued to the Civil Architect Fort Garrison Engr in anticipation of the receipt of the Ex: Mins: Cons: № 1186 dated 18th June 1857.	№ 79. Order.	To be recorded.	21st D № 1400.	