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Government of Madras.

Public Works **DEPARTMENT.**

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Dated 30-10- 18 58.

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No. 1. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel E. LAWFORD, Officiating Chief Engineer; to the Secretary to Government, dated 23rd October 1858, No. 4808.

SIR,

With reference to Extract Minutes Consultation No. 2201, October 20th 1858, I have the honor to report that Captain Francis is now engaged on the reports concerning the drainage and repairs to the Fortifications of Fort Saint George, and cannot leave the Presidency till they are completed, without causing great delay in those important papers about which the Government, have expressed their views very strongly in Extract Minutes Consultation No. 1974, dated September 24th 1858. But I have every reason to hope that the duty assigned to Captain Francis as above indicated will be performed by the end of the current month and I trust the Government will permit of his detention till then. Captain Francis has requested me not to remove the Accountant and Writer who are now employed in preparing the accounts at Arcot and as I think it most advisable that they should remain until that Officer proceeds there, I trust the arrangement will be approved.

Should Captain Francis find the services of the Accountant (Mr. Brock,) absolutely necessary afterwards I would recommend that he be allowed to continue longer, but I shall be very glad if in that case Government will permit me to employ a substitute in this Office on 80 Rupees per month for three months being the amount of the Accountants permanent salary.

No. 2. ORDER THEREON, No. 2299; dated 30th October 1858.

Under the circumstances represented in para. 1, the Government permit Captain Francis to remain at Madras until the end of the current month (October.) They are of opinion that the Accountant and Writer engaged in the preparation of the accounts at Arcot should remain there until the investigation is completed but they decidedly object to any additional expense being incurred in employing substitutes in their place in the Central Office; and they are surprized that Colonel Lawford should have made such a proposal after the assurance given in his letter of 6th October No. 4203, that owing to the progress made in the adjustment of the North Arcot accounts no extra establishment was needed.

(Signed) W. H. BAYLEY,
Acting Secretary to Government.

For Orders

Public Works Department № 2525.

From the Offg. Chief Engineer of 23d. October 1858.

Requesting under circumstances stated that Captain Francis departure to Ceylon ordered in S. M. C. № 2201 of the 20th Instant may be deferred until the end of the current month & recommending that the Accountant and writer now employed in preparing the accounts of that station may be allowed to remain until that officer proceeds there & that if their services should afterwards be found necessary a substitute on a salary of 80 Rs. per Mensem may be permitted in the absence of the Accountant -

Capt. Francis may remain till the end of the month but we cannot allow any addl. Establishment

Yes - how can Col Larkins have authorized this last letter on the subject when he Retired? He had made such arrangements as seemed to him to preclude the

necessity of the interference
of the commissioner, beg to be
spent but no other allowances
or handsome called for
as a matter of
course - Mr Brooke & the
Writer must remain with
Capt Francis - They are both
attached to the office of S. E. J.
the southern circle
Mr

1st/1858.

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The Secretary to Government
Department Public Works

Sir

With reference to Extract Minutes
Consultation No 2201 October 20th 1858. I have
the honor to report that Captain Francis
is now engaged on the reports concerning the
drainage and repairs to the fortifications
of Fort Saint George and Cannot leave the
Presidency till they are completed, without
causing great delay in those important
papers about which the Government have
expressed their views very strongly in Extract
Minutes Consultation No 1974 dated Septr
24th 1858 - But I have every reason to hope
that the duty assigned to Captain Francis
as above indicated will be performed
by the end of the current month and
I trust the Government will permit of
his detention till then. Captain Francis
has

has requested me not to remove the
Accountant and Writers who are now
employed in preparing the accounts
at Arcot and as I think it most advi-
sable that they should remain until
that Officer proceeds there, I trust the
arrangement will be approved.

Should Captain Francis find the
services of the Accountant (Mr. Brook)
absolutely necessary afterwards I would
Recommend that he be allowed to
continue longer but I shall be very glad
if in that case Government will permit
me to employ a substitute in this Office
on 80 Rupees per month for three months
being the amount of the accountants
permanent salary.

(signed) E Sanford Lieut Colo

23rd October
1856

Public Works 1858 Oct 5th Nov.

No.

From Asst Engr

Dated 23d October 1858

Rec'd 1st Nov.

Central Office of Public Works.
Fort Saint George 23 October 1858

No. 4808

From
The Officiating Chief Engineer

To
The Secretary to Government P.W.D.

Sir

With reference to Extract Minutes of Consultation No. 2201 dated 20 instant, I have the honor to report that Captain Francis is now engaged on the reports concerning the drainage and repairs to the fortifications of Fort Saint George and cannot leave the Presidency till they are completed; without causing great delay in those important papers about which the Government have expressed their views very strongly in Extract Minutes Consultation No. 1974 dated 24 ultimo.—

But

2 But I have every reason to hope that the duty assigned to Captain Francis as above indicated will be performed by the end of the current month, and I trust the Government will permit of his detention till then.

3 Captain Francis has requested me not to remove the Accountant and Writer who are now employed in preparing the accounts at Arcot, and as I think it most advisable that they should remain until that Office proceeds there, I trust the arrangement will be approved.

4 Should Captain Francis find the services of the Accountant (Mr Brock) absolutely necessary afterwards, I would recommend that he be allowed to continue longer, but I shall be very glad if in that case Government will permit me to employ a substitute in this Office on 80 Rupees per month for three months being the amount of the Accountants permanent salary.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Lamford Colonel
Officiating Chief Engineer

Fort Saint George
23 October 1858

To
The Secretary to Government
Do W.

Ent. H. Manfield

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No 2299.

Letter from the Commissioner
Under date the 30th Octr 1858.

Rec'd the following
letter from the Officer
Chief Engineer

Chief Engineer's Office
Under date 23rd Octr 1858
Rec'd 25th Octr 1858

Answer requested as
soon as
Capt Francis
Hermit Capt. Francis
is remain at Victoria
until the end of the
present month Colonel
Moody
They are of opinion that
the Accountant
engaged on the
Lighthouses
for the accounts are
Great Khali Mountain
Third quarter
Agra

P.W. Cons: 29th Oct/58 No 495
" 28th Feb - 60-61.

P.W. 1858 Sett
Do to Cons 5th November
No 2525

From the Offg Chief Engineer
to the Secy to Govt. P.W.
Department

dated 23rd Oct/58.
Recd. 25th Oct/58.

No 1

No 2299 - 30th October 1858.

Requesting under circumstances
stated that Capt Francis's de-
parture to Aracan ordered in
E. In. C No 2201 of the 20th inst
may be deferred until the
end of the current month
recommending that the
Accountant duly writes
now employed in preparing
the accounts of that Station
may be allowed Discretion
until that Officer proceeds
there & that if, then leaves

should afterwards be found
necessary a Substitute
on a salary of 80 Rs
Rupees may be permitted
- the absence of the
Accountant

Ref. Govt. R 27th C. 28.

tigation is completed
but they decidedly ob-
ject to any additional
expense being incurred
in employing substitutes
in their place in the Central Office ; and they
are surprized that Col.
Lennox should have made such
a proposal after the
assurance given in his
letter of 6 October
No 4203 that owing to
the progress made in
the adjustment of the
North Arcot accounts
no extra Establish-
ment was needed.

W. H. B.

30th

To Mr. to the Civil Auditor
Desp. 29th

Civil Auditor
Desp. 3

Public Works 1858 Departt.
Dft to Comrs. 5. Novr.

№ 2299
Extract Minutes of Comrs.
Dated 30. October 58.

From the Offg Chief Engr.
Dated 4. Novr 58 & No 2613 and Comrs.
Ltr Recd

Permit Capt. Francis
to remain at Madras until
the end of October, as it
appears that the Accomts.
and Vouchers engaged in the
preparation of the accounts
at Arcot, should remain
there until the investigation
again is completed.

№ 182.