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No. 24. Read the following Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Military Department, dated 9th October 1858.

Read the following letter from Colonel G. BALFOUR, Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines; to Colonel C. A. BROWNE, Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated 8th October 1858, No. 383.

SIR,

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3. I therefore advise Government to re-consider their orders about Secunderabad, and to facilitate the arrangements, I beg to assure Government, that I have no wish whatever to have the control restored to me.

Referred to the Department Public Works.

(Signed) H. MARSHALL, Lieut.-Col.,
Acting Secretary to Government.

No. 25. ORDER THEREON, No. 2310; dated 3rd November 1858.

The Government see no reason to disturb the orders contained in Extract Minutes Consultation, dated 27th September 1858, No. 1998.

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

Military Department.

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Inspector Genl's Office
Fort St George - 8th October 1858

(Signed) J Balfour Colo
Inspector Genl of Ordnance
and Magazines.

Referred to the Department Public Works.

(Signed) H Marshall Lt Colo
Sec'y to Govt

To
The Department Public Works.

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The Government see no reason to disturb the orders contained in Extract Minutes Consultation dated 28th September 1858. No. 1998.

Communicating to this Department, a letter from the Inspector-General of Ordnance, submitting observations with reference to E. Mr. C. dated 27th Sept. 58, No. 1998, regarding the maintenance of the Cantonment Roads of Bangalow and Seunderabad.

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