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from 30th April to 3rd May 1859.*

No. 9. Read the following letter from Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated 12th April 1859, No. 9489.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Extract Minutes Consultation, under date 14th March 1859, No. 570.

2. Chunam is perhaps the worst material that could be laid down as a flooring to a Racket or Fives Court, as it soon breaks up and repairs are constantly being required, setting aside the inconvenience that will arise from the dust.

3. Granite is decidedly the best material for a flooring to a Racket or Fives Court, but as it is not so necessary in a Guard Room, and the expense is so great, I would recommend that laterite should be used in that case.

4. The Skittle Alley should I think have a boarded floor.

Letter from Lieutenant J. BEAN, District Engineer, Malabar; to the Chief Engineer, dated Calicut, 25th March 1859, No. 82.

In reply to the instructions contained in your Extract of Proceedings No. 8685, dated 17th Instant, enclosing Extract of Minutes of Consultation of Government No. 570, dated 14th Idem, I have the honor to inform you that if the flooring of the Cannanore European Skittle Alley is left of Chunam, as it now is, periodical repairs will always be required, and the surface will not withstand the effects of the wear and tear of the men's boats, a boarded flooring I therefore think preferable.

2. As regards the flooring of the Racket or Fives Court, and the European Guard Room, I think that there is no doubt that granite flags are superior to both Chunam and Laterite floorings, and that it is merely a question of expense, as I presume a stone flooring is suitable for the game of Fives or Racket, and does not cut up the balls.

3. This matter of expense, however, must be taken into consideration, for in flooring with flags the European Barracks at Cannanore, it was found necessary to bring the stones from the neighbourhood of Quilon, and the Estimate was rated at Rupees 45 per square. At this rate, as the number of squares in the former building amounts to twenty-eight and in the latter to seventeen, the cost of the alteration in the Racket Court would amount to 1,200 Rupees and in the Guard Room to 700 or 800 Rupees, I do not see why laterite flooring should not suit in this latter building, for if the material is well chosen, it will last for a considerable period. A boarded flooring however might be put down if thought necessary and at one-third nearly the cost of the granite.

No. 10. ORDER THEREON, 30th April 1859, No. 1003.

The Chief Engineer will give orders for flooring the Skittle Alley with timber and the Fives Court and Guard Room with granite; detailed estimates will be meanwhile prepared and sent up for sanction.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
Secretary to Government.

N^o 82District Eng^r's Office

Malabar

Calcut 25th March 1837.

Mr Thomas Pitt Rivers

The District Engineer

Malabar

To

The Chief Engineer

D. J. W.

Sir

Calcut 25th March 1837

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I have signed / J. Bean
District Engineer
Malabar

/ True copy /
J. Bean Major
Sup. Eng. & S. Civil

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Central Office of 1st Lt.
Fort St George 12 April 1859

N^o 9489
From

To The Chief Engineer

To The Secretary to Government at the

Military Secy

I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of Lt. M^r. Lane's under
date 14th March 1859, N^o 570.

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material that could be laid down as a flooring
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convenience that will arise from the dust.

3. Granite is decidedly the best
material for a flooring to a Puckah or Dacca
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Guard Room, and the expense is so great,
I would recommend that laterite should be
used in that case.

4. The Shuttle Alley should I think
have a boarded floor.

To
The Secretary to
Government at the
Military Secy

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obed^t Serv^t
Wm. Pitt Rivers
Chief Engineer

Enclosed is a letter from
the Chief Engineer
to
The Secretary to Govt.
S. M. D.

Dated 12th April 1859
Received

N^o 9489

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Copy of a letter from
the District Engineer at Calcutta
reporting on the suitability
of flooring for the
Guard Room, and
the Guard Room at Calcutta.

Ph. Com: 15th March / 59 No 83-84

Proceedings of the City: 84
879th 15th March / 59 No 83-84

Received 15th 59 of March
from the City of London

The City of London
The Mayor, Aldermen &
Commons

Letter 12th of March 1859
Recd 12th

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Recd 11th

Reports on the
Antiquities for clearing
the Middle Walling, from
Council of the City of London
at Council.

21st 1003. 30th April 1859.
With an order.

1st 1003. 21st 1003.

The Chief Engineer will

give orders for clearing the streets
with timber and the fire
with granite, detailed estimates will
be made and prepared and sent up
for sanction. It does not appear
from the enclosed statement that
of the estimate that the plan of
the ground is not correct and
the present estimate is not correct.

From the City of London
30th 1003. 1st 1003.
10 copies to the Mayor &
21st 1003.