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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
for the month of November 1859.*

No. 111. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. BELL, Chief Engineer ;
to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated 31st October 1859,
No. 6695.

On the receipt of orders of Government as per margin, a Circular was addressed to all District Engineers, calling for returns of any military buildings, which, having fallen into disuse, might be made over to their charge ; and requesting them, after consulting with the military and revenue authorities, to suggest the most advisable course for the disposal or appropriation of such buildings. These returns have now been received, brought up to a recent date, and the information contained in them is embodied in a summary, which I have the honor herewith to submit.

No. 1204, 22nd June 1857.
1 Summary of reports.
1 List of military buildings.

Summary of reports from all District Engineers in reply to Chief Engineer's Circular No. XLIX of 27th June 1857.

GANJAM.

No military buildings fallen into disuse.

VIZAGAPATAM.

Ditto ditto.

GODAVERI DIVISION.

Only buildings in disuse are those within the old fort walls at Ellore, which were disposed of by Government to the Church Mission Society.

KISTNA DIVISION.

None except the public buildings at Condapilly, which would be convenient if a detachment of disciplined Police were stationed there : cannot suggest any other use for them.

NELLORE.

Old place of arms at Nellore in disuse, was ordered to be taken down and materials sold for benefit of Government in Minutes of Consultation, 12th September 1854. Old barracks at Ongole in disuse, might be used as a store shed and shelter for an Overseer, whenever one is located there. This course was sanctioned by late Chief Engineer.

CUDDAPAH.

No military buildings in disuse.

BELLARY.

No military buildings in disuse in this district, but there is a considerable number vacant shewn in a separate paper marked A. The Major General Commanding the Ceded Districts remarks, under date 8th February 1858, that "as great changes are in contemplation in regard to the fort and buildings of Bellary, he is at present unable to offer any opinion as to the disposal of those that are vacant."

KARNUL.

No military buildings in disuse.

CHINGLEPUT.

No military buildings in disuse.

NORTH ARCOT.

The following are the military buildings at Ranneepet fallen into disuse and proposed by the military authorities to be made over to the Department of Public Works.

Military building, No. 1..... Occupied by the Head Assistant Collector on a monthly rent of 45 Rupees.

Post Office..... Do. as Post Office.

Lock Hospital Do. by convicts as Jail under the charge of the Collector.

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The District Engineer states, that the house lately occupied by the Head Assistant Magistrate is a good private house, which any resident may occupy, the Post office and Jail may be given over to the departments to which they belong, and that there is no reason for these buildings being made over to the Public Works Department.

SOUTH ARCOT.

No military buildings in disuse.

TANJORE.

Ditto ditto.

TRICHINOPOLY.

A small building with out-houses at Pootoor have been given up to Department of Public Works, the latter is occupied as a school house by 21st Regiment N. I. Out-houses are in the way of ventilation of lines; proposes to pull them down and sell the materials. Major General commanding is of same opinion, old barracks and garrison hospital in Trichinopoly fort are in disuse: are very much out of repair, suggests their being sold.

MADURA.

No military buildings in disuse. The fort at Dindigul, the Collector reports, is still in the occupation of the Military Department and under the charge of the officer commanding Dindigul.

TINNEVELLY.

In disuse at Palamcottah; Field Officer's quarters lately occupied by detachment artillery, now used as a school-room by the Chaplain, under authority of officer commanding division.

Arsenal, one room is used as a tent godown.

„ Shed used by officer commanding for keeping the field pieces, doolies and escalading ladders.

The Collector cannot find any use for the buildings. District Engineer suggests they might with advantage be made use of for his office and establishment, and the arsenal sheds can be made use of as a store for machinery and for workshops.

There are also the following attached to the artillery barracks for which District Engineer cannot suggest any use.

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|----------------|---------------|
| 2 Cook rooms. | 1 Privy. |
| 1 Prison room. | 1 Gun shed. |
| 1 Plunge bath. | 1 Wash house. |

COIMBATORE.

No military buildings in disuse.

SALEM.

Ditto ditto.

CANARA.

Only a temporary barrack at Sircy for Her Majesty's 66th Regiment, which not being wanted, it is proposed to sell by auction.

MALABAR.

At Paulghaut is an old building, had been used as a powder magazine; is falling into ruins, and should be pulled down.

CIVIL ARCHITECT.

None under his charge.

GARRISON ENGINEER.

None in disuse.

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BANGALORE.

None in disuse in Mysore division.

JACKATALLA.

None in disuse within his Executive charge.

APPENDIX A.

LIST OF MILITARY BUILDINGS VACANT IN THE CANTONMENT OF BELLARY.

Sheds for doolies and sick carts.

Foot artillery school.

In Hill Fort.

3 Powder magazines.

Officers guard room.

Barracks.

3 Store rooms.

In Cantonment.

2 Places of arms.

1 Store room.

1 European Regimental Hospital.

Bangalore gate guard room.

Chittledroog do.

1 New European barracks with family rooms attached.

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No. 112. ORDER THEREON, 18th November 1859, No. 2693.

The Chief Engineer will communicate with the Board of Revenue and with the Military, authorities, respecting the disposal of the buildings enumerated in enclosure I of his letter, and then submit a definite recommendation to Government. Buildings and premises not required for any public purpose, should in general be sold by auction, as they are. But where, for any reason, this would be inconvenient, the buildings may be sold to be removed.

2. It is expected that this order will be replied to with more promptitude than the former one.

3. It is observed that some of the buildings in the present list are still occupied for military uses.

4. The paper will be communicated to the Military Department, with reference to the order in that department dated June 3rd 1857.

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

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Appendix A

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Central Office of 10th

Fort Saint George

31 October 1859

H. Bell Lieut Colonel

Chief Engineer

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Central Office of Public Works
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Central Office of P.M.

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Captain
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Summary of Reports from all District Engineers in
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From
The Chief Engineer
The Secretary to Government
at the Fort Office

Recd 21st October 1857
Recd 27th Oct 1857
N^o 2693

Enclosure 2.

N^o 2693. 18th November

Copy with Encl.
To the Chief Engineer
Vizagapatam
18th Nov 57

Forwarding summary
Report of Military
Buildings fallen into
disuse.

of House No 15

N^o 111.

(112 adms)

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Civil Architect

None in disuse.

Garrison Engineer

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Bangalore.

None in diuse within his Executive Charge.

Sackatalla.

Central Office of P.H.
Fort Saint George }
31 October 1859 }

J. A. Hull Lt. Col.

Chief Engineer.

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Public Works Department

N^o 2693.

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N^o 6695

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