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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 15th March 1859.

No. 35. Read the following letter from Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated 15th February 1859, No. 7916.

SIR,

In acknowledging the receipt of your Memorandum, dated 24th Ultimo, I have the honor to state, that an Estimate amounting to Rupees (70) seventy, was received on the 19th March last, from the Acting District Engineer, for an additional Privy to the Hospital at Arcot, but as no reference was made in his letter submitting the same, to any previous correspondence on the subject; and as the sum was within the province of the Chief Engineer to sanction, the work was authorized to be carried out.

2. Further, it was not until the receipt of the foregoing Memorandum in the Central Office, that it was even suspected, that the Estimate submitted by Mr. Dopping, and sanctioned for execution, was the one called for by Government, and consequently, no intimation of the sanction accorded, was made to that Office. The District Engineer has, however, now reported, that the sum authorized has been found ample, and that the work has been completed.

3. Under these circumstances, I trust, that the explanation in regard to this omission, shewn to have been so inadvertently made, will be received as satisfactory, and elicit the approval of my proceedings by Government.

4. With reference to the construction of a building for the storage of Ammunition, &c., at Vellore, I beg to state, that on the 28th March 1857, a Plan and Estimate was received from Mr. Acting District Engineer Mayne, for the work in question; but he, at the same time intimated, that the Brigadier Commanding the Station, recommended the same to be postponed, pending a visit of the Commander in Chief, which was then expected.

5. On the receipt of Captain Mayne's letter, the Plan and Estimate therewith submitted was referred to the Quarter Master General of the Army, for the orders of His Excellency; and in a reply thereto, received on the 21st April following, it was recommended that the work be postponed.

6. The Acting District Engineer, North Arcot has, however, this day been furnished with the Plan and Estimate above referred to, with a view to the necessary alterations being made therein, in accordance with the rates now current in the District; and he has at the same time been directed to place himself in communication with the Brigadier, with a view to the preparation of the Plan and Estimate called for by Government, which he has been requested to submit within a fortnight, from the date of the receipt of the Superintending Engineer's despatch.

7. On the receipt of the documents called for, they will, without delay, be submitted for the orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.

No. 36. ORDER THEREON, No. 545; dated 11th March 1859.

Ordered to be communicated to the Military Department with reference to the Memorandum from the Deputy Secretary in that Department, dated 24th December 1858, and the one in reply from this Department, dated 24th January 1859.

2. The Government observe that the Chief Engineer's present letter affords information in respect to only two of the works noticed in the Memorandum to that Officer, dated 24th January 1859, and that no mention is made of three others; viz. the Market house, at Jackatallah, New Army School House at Saint Thomas' Mount and Temporary Gun Shed at Cannanore, It is hoped that the Plans and Estimates required for these Buildings will be forwarded in due course.

3. Adverting to the explanation furnished in paras. 1 and 2 of Colonel Faber's letter in respect to the additional Privy to the Hospital at Arcot, the Government direct the Chief Engineer to oblige the Members of his Department to abandon the unbusiness like practice of replying to letters without duly citing them.

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

Central Office of P. W.
Fort Saint George,
15th February 1859.

Military

No. 7916.

From,
The Chief Engineer.

To,
The Secretary to Government P. W. D.

Sir,

I acknowledging the receipt of your Mems: dated 24th Ultimo, I have the honor to state, that an Estimate amounting to Rupees 70/ Seventy was received on the 19th Instant last from the Acting District Engineer, for an additional privy to the Hospital at Arcot, but as no reference was made in his letter submitting the same, to any previous correspondence on the subject; and as the sum was within the province of the Chief Engineer to sanction, the work was authorized to be carried out.—

2 Further it was not until the receipt of the foregoing Memorandum in the Central Office, that it was even suspected, that the Estimate submitted by Mr Dopping, and sanctioned for execution, was the one

Chief Engineer.

one, called for by Government, and consequently no intimation of the sanction accorded, was made to that Office. The District Engineer has however now reported that the sum authorized has been found ample, and that the work has been completed. —

3 Under these circumstances I trust, that the explanation in regard to this omission, shewn to have been so inadvertently made, will be received as satisfactory, and elicit the approval of my proceedings by Government.

4, With reference to the construction of a building for the storage of ammunition at Vellore, I beg to state, that on the 28th March 1857, a Plan and Estimate was received from Lt. Col. District Engineer Frayne, for the work in question; but he at the same time intimated, that the Brigadier Commanding the station recommended the same to be postponed, pending a visit of the Commander in Chief which was then expected. —

5 On the receipt of Captain Frayne's letter the Plan and Estimate therewith submitted was referred

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to the Quarter Master General of the Army for the orders of His Excellency; and in a reply thereto, received on the 21st April following, it was recommended that the work be postponed.

6 The Acting District Engineer North Arcot has however this day been furnished with the Plan and Estimate above referred to, with a view to the necessary alterations being made therein, in accordance with the rates now current in the District; and he has at the same time been directed to place himself in communication with the Brigadier, with a view to the preparation of the Plan and Estimate called for by Government, which he has been requested to submit within a fortnight, from the date of the receipt of the Superintending Engineer's despatch.

7 On the receipt of the documents called for, they will without delay, be submitted for the orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your most Obt Servant

Central Office of Public Works,
Fort Saint George, 15th February 1859.

To
The Secretary to Government P.W.D.
fsb.

Colonel
Chief Engineer.

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№ 545.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Order dated the 11th March 1859

Read the following
Letter from the Chief
Engineer —
(Received 15th Feby 59 № 796)

Ordered to be communicated to the Public
Dept with reference to
the Memo from the Dept
in that Dept dated 24th
Dec. 1858 and the one in
reply from this Dept dated
24 January 1859.

2. The Govt observe
that the Chief Engineer's
present letter affords in-
formation in respect to
only two of the works
noticed in the Memo to
that Office dated 24th
January 1859, and that
no mention is made of

three

Public Works Department
Fort St. George, 18th Feby 1859.

From F. Schiff Esquire,
Chief Engineer,

To
The Secretary to Government
P.W.D.

Received 15th February 1859.
Record in P.W.D.

Subject
Embankment

Submits certain information in
regard to the Estimate called for
by Government from additi-
-ional to the Peripatah N. Arcot
and for the continuation of an
building at Pattoor for the storage
of ammunition &c.

Refd. Order 28th Feby 1859.

three others; viz. Market
House at Jackatallah,
New Army School House
at St. Thomas' Mount and
Temporary Gun Shed at
Cannanore. It is hoped
that the Plans and Esti-
-mates required for these
Buildings will be for-
-warded in due course.

3. Adverting to the
explanation furnished in
paras 1 and 2 of Col. Tate's
letter in respect to the
additional privy to the
Hospital at Breat, the
Govt. direct the Chief Engr.
to oblige the Members
of this Dept. to abandon
the unbusiness like practice
of replying to letters with-
-out duly citing them.—

10 Copies to the Chief Engr. & Prisd. Dept.
7 —"— " Building Department

Public Works 1859 Deptt.
Dpts Cons 15th March.

No 545.

Extract Mins of Cons:
Dd 11th March 59.

Ext. M. of Cons: Military Deptt - 7 April 1859 C. Rs 906 - Cons:

Exct Mins of Cons: Milly Deptt
Dd 14th March 59 Ct No 644 inclo.
From the Chief Engr 22d 25th
March 59 Ct No 728 inclo: 12th April
From Do 31st March 59.
Ct No 782 inclo: 1st Apl.
Communicating to the Military Deptt. information furnished by the Chief Engineer respecting the additional Privy to the Hospital at Utacamund and Ammunition room at Vellore and observing that Plans and Estimates for the Market house at Jackatallah, New Army School House at Saint Thomas' Mount & Temporary Gun shed at Cannanore be forwarded in due course and the Members of the Chief Engrs Deptt

No 35 to 36.

Deptt be required to abandon the unbusiness like practice of replying to letters without duly citing them -