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*Proceedings of the Madras Government Public Works Department,
from 11th to 17th June 1859.*

No. 85. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Military Department, dated 6th June 1859, No. 1975.

Requesting to ascertain from the Chief Engineer whether the Bungalow built at Palmanair for the use of the road Department can be made available as a rest house for Troops until the new line of road is open. } (Vide Military Proceedings from 1st to 10th June 1859, Nos. 71-72.) *Attended*

No. 86. ORDER THEREON, 16th June 1859, No. 1482.

Ordered to be communicated to the Chief Engineer, in view to his furnishing the information required in para. 3.

(Signed) W. C. SIM,
Ac'g. Dy. Secretary to Government.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.
PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following paper :—

From the Quarter Master General of the Army, Fort Saint George, 4th May 1859, No. 203; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor by desire of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, to request you will submit for the consideration of Government the urgent necessity for the erection of two temporary Sheds or Rest Houses at Vellore and Palmanair, for the shelter of European Troops travelling by Transit, and for the accommodation of the Serjeants in charge.

2. Government were pleased in October 1857, to sanction the erection of Rest Houses on the Bangalore road in such places as the Commander-in-Chief might direct, one has been built by the Mysore Department Public Works at Colar, but, while it was doubtful how long the Transit might run from Vellore, Tents were issued for Vellore and Palmanair,—it has since been ascertained that it would not be worth while moving the Transits to the Goriatum road, 1st from the scarcity of water, 2ndly from the unhealthiness of the place and 3rdly because the road over the Sunygoontah pass is not yet sufficiently complete to be safe for Transit Carriages and that the Railway will be open in January as far as Vaniembaddy or Tripatoor when the line for Transits will be moved to the Kistnagherry and Oosoor roads, and Transit Rest Houses will be required at Tripatoor and Sholagherry.

3. It is found, however, that the Tents are not sufficient shelter during the monsoon, either for the Troops travelling or for the Serjeants who are stationary, but previous to sanctioning the erection of the temporary buildings, His Excellency has desired me to represent the matter for the consideration of Government, as to all appearances an extra expense will be involved, although, in truth, it will be very trifling, as each Tent costs Rupees 159-5-4, three of these are in use at Palmanair and two at Vellore, none of which will be of the slightest use after the monsoon, and more may possibly be expended.

4. The probable cost of the Buildings it is proposed to erect, will it may be expected not amount to more than Rupees 800 for each, as ascertained in communication with the District Engineer, but this calculation has allowed of a building such as may be disposed of when no longer required for Transit purposes.

ORDER, No. 1975, 6th June 1859.

The Governor in Council observes, that sanction for the erection of Rest Houses on the Line of Communication between Bangalore and the Railway has already been granted by Government* at a cost not exceeding Rupees (1500)

*Para 4, M. C. No. 3801, 22nd October 1857.

One thousand and five hundred for each building.

2. With regard to the application now submitted, in which it is stated that the Railway will be open in January, as far as Vaniembaddy and Tripatoor, and Rest Houses will be required at Tripatoor and Sholagherry, it appears to His Honor in Council, worthy of consideration by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, whether under the above circumstances, the proposed Rest House at Vellore may not be dispensed with, and existing arrangements continue; it being understood, that on the Line being open to Vaniembaddy, there will be no necessity for a Rest House at Vellore.

3. With reference to Palmanair, it will be ascertained from the Chief Engineer through the Department Public Works, whether the Bungalow built there for the use of the road Department can be made available as a Rest House for Troops, until the new line of road is open.

(True Extract.)

Manuel de S. A.
Ag. Dy. Secretary to Government.

To the Quarter Master General.

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