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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
for the month of April 1860.*

No. 25. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Military Department, dated 28th March 1860, No. 1,217:—

Sanctioning on emergency, the erection of Buildings for the
accommodation of two Subalterns and one Medical Officer } (Vide Military Proceedings from 21st to 31st
at Calicut. } March 1860, Nos. 251 @ 254.)

No. 26. ORDER THEREON, 3rd April 1860, No. 687.

Ordered to be communicated to the Chief Engineer for information and guidance with reference to his letter of the 1st March last, No. 10,867.

2. Colonel Bell will state for the information of Government, the amount of reduction that can be expected in the Estimate with reference to the last paragraph of the Order.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Dy. Secretary to Government.

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MILITARY DEPARTMENT.
PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers:—

From the Chief Engineer, Sêpâhkam, 1st March 1860, No. 10867; to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Fort Saint George.

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2. Original letters from the District Engr. of Malabar, Nos. 254 and 382, dated 12th Augt. & 6th Dec. 1859.
2. Do. from Qr. Mr. Genl., Nos. 1963 and 501, dated Augt. 1859 and 18th Feby. 1860.
2. Abstract Estimates.
1. Plan 1-13883-59.

I have the honor to forward, for submission to Government a Plan and two Estimates amounting together to Rupees (8,760,) eighty thousand seven hundred and sixty, for the undermentioned works in the District of Malabar.

For constructing 2 Subaltern's and 1 Medical Officer's Quarters, with Mess Room and out Offices to the European Barracks at Calicut.....Rupees 8,500 0 0
Do. Arm Racks, Accoutrement Pegs and Shelves..... „ 260 0 0

Total Rupees... 8,760 0 0

No. 1829, dated 30th July 1859.

2. In their orders marginally indicated, Government sanctioned Rupees (13,230,) thirteen thousand two hundred and thirty, for the construction of a European Hospital and Guard Room to be attached to the Barracks at Calicut; and the District Engineer reported* that as soon as the above works are completed the men will be removed to their new quarters, 3 miles away from the present temporary Barracks, where there are no houses, save a Bungalow, for the accommodation of the Officer Commanding the Detachment, 2 Subalterns, and the Medical Officer attached to the Company.

3. The subject having been submitted for the consideration of the Commander-in-Chief, the Quarter Master General has conveyed† His Excellency's opinion that the Bungalow in question should be made over to the exclusive use of the Officer Commanding, and separate Quarters should be built for the Surgeon and two Subalterns. Captain Bean was accordingly directed to prepare the accompanying Plan and Estimates—which His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief now approves‡ of.

4. The Estimates have been examined in this Office, and the rates therein given are those obtaining in the Malabar District. As Sir P. Grant states that "these buildings are immediately required," I request Government will be pleased to sanction the work on emergency, and in consideration of the necessity for housing the Officers before the Monsoon to suggest that an advance of Rupees (8,760) eighty thousand seven hundred and sixty, may be authorized from the amount of 3½ Lacs entered in the Budget for 1860-61 for emergent works.

Memorandum from the Acting Deputy Secretary to Government, Fort St George, 8th March 1860; to the Chief Engineer.

Referring to letter No. 10867 of the 1st instant, the Acting Military Secretary to Government has the honor to request the Chief Engineer will be good enough to state whether the work

in question* has been commenced, and in the event of the advance solicited being sanctioned, can the buildings be completed for occupancy prior to the setting in of the approaching Monsoon.

An early reply is requested.

*From the Deputy Chief Engineer, Central Circle, for Chief Engineer, Sépákhkam, 8th March 1860,
No. 11152; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.*

In reply to your Memorandum of this date, I have the honor to inform you, that the construction of Officers' Quarters at Calicut has not been commenced and I fear that under any circumstances they cannot be completed before the Monsoon which may set in about the middle of May.

ORDER, No. 1217, 28th March 1860.

The Commander-in-Chief having brought to notice that no houses are available within 3 miles of the new Barracks of the European Detachment at the out-post of Calicut, for the accommodation of the Officers attached, and it being essentially necessary for the maintenance of discipline, that the Officers should be near their men, the Governor in Council specially sanctions the erection of the building proposed in the foregoing letter on emergency, for the accommodation of the Officers in question.*

* 2 Subalterns.
1 Medical Officer.

2. The Governor in Council considers however that these Quarters, should be built as economically as is consistent with the nature of the climate, the Chief Engineer's attention will accordingly be called to this point, in view to such reduction being made in the Estimate as may be practicable—The stables should be limited to 4 stalls; no provision appears to have been made in the Plan and Estimate for a Privy.

(True Extract.)

M. M. L. L. L.
Acting Dy. Secretary to Government.

To the Department Public Works, with 7 enclosures.

Quarter Master General. *820 4/10 1860*

Exd. W. D'Arachy.

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