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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 5th June 1862.

No. 112. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Military Department, dated 23rd May 1862, No. 1,881 :—

Approving of the plan for providing new Solitary Cells at Bangalore, and requesting that provision may be made for the funds required in excess of the amount already sanctioned. (Vide Military Proceedings, 23rd May 1862, Nos. 482-483.)

No. 113. ORDER THEREON, 5th June 1862, No. 1,272.

1. Communicated to the Acting Deputy Chief Engineer, Central Circle, for information and guidance.

2. The difference, Rupees 3,930, between the sum* provided on account of Solitary Cells at Bangalore in the current year's Budget, and that† mentioned in paragraph 3 of the letter from the Officer Commanding Mysore Division to the Quarter Master General of the Army, will be met from the Reserve Fund of 1862-63.

* Rupees 13 810.

† Rupees 17,740.

(Signed) W. H. HORSLEY, Lieut.-Colonel,
Secretary to Government.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

3.

Read the following papers :—

From the Quarter Master General of the Army, Fort Saint George, 28th April 1862, *No.* 3286; *to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.*

I have the honor, by desire of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, to recommend that Government may be pleased to sanction the erection of Solitary Cells at Bangalore, as proposed in the enclosed letter from the Officer Commanding the Mysore Division, in substitution of the Cells for which sanction has been already accorded in Proceedings of Government, No. 2616, dated 19th July 1860. Cells for the Barracks occupied by 102nd Royal Madras Fusiliers, not being now needed.

No. 65, *dated* 11*th April* 1862.

No. 453, *dated* 29*th March* 1862, *from Executive Engineer, Bangalore.*
" 509, " 5*th April* " " *Officer Commanding Royal Artillery, Mysore Division.*

2. The enclosures to Major General Spencer's letter are forwarded for reference.

From the Officer Commanding Mysore Division, Camp Mercara, 11*th April* 1862, *No.* 65; *to the Quarter Master General of the Army, Fort Saint George.*

I have the honor to forward, for submission to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, the enclosed letter from the late Executive Engineer at this Station, regarding certain Solitary Cells sanctioned for construction in the Budget for the ensuing year.

2. His Excellency is aware that the construction of the new, and proposed conversion into Infantry, of the present Dragoon Barracks, does away with the necessity of taking into consideration the wants of the Barracks now occupied by the Fusiliers.

3. On the occupation of the new Dragoon Barracks, the Corps in Garrison requiring additional Cells, will be as follows :—

* *Vide Colonel Brigg's letter attached.*

Horse and Foot Artillery.....	2*
Infantry Regiment occupying present Dragoon Barracks, in which there are only four Cells of old muster.....	8

The Cells already sanctioned in Budget for ensuing year, are :—

Dragoon Guards, seven, at a cost of.....	4,560
Infantry, twelve " "	7,810
Horse and Foot Artillery, two.....	1,440
	13,810

Proposed by Captain Mayne in lieu of above :—

For Infantry Corps occupying present Dragoon Barracks, one set of Cells with Provost Serjeant's Quarters, on Standard Plan.....	16,300
Horse and Foot Artillery, two, at a cost of.....	1,440
Total..	17,740
Sum already sanctioned.....	13,810
Required to carry out Captain Mayne's proposition,	3,930

It is thus shewn that a further sum of 3,920 is required to carry out Captain Mayne's very desirable proposition for building a set of Cells for present Dragoon Barracks, and two additional ones for the Horse and Foot Artillery.

I would strongly urge that Sir Hope Grant be pleased to move Government for the sanction of this additional sum—the present four Cells in the Dragoon Barracks are, as Captain Mayne remarks, on the old Black-hole, principle, and quite unfit for the purpose in this country.

From the Executive Engineer, Bangalore, 29th March 1862, *No.* 453; *to the Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General, Mysore Division, Bangalore.*

I have the honor to request you will be so good as to bring to the notice of the Major General Commanding the Division, that in the Budget List for the ensuing year, the following works have been sanctioned.

Constructing twenty-one Solitary Cells.

7	Solitary Cells for Dragoon Guards.....	4,560
12	Do. for Fusiliers.....	7,810
2	Do. Horse and Foot Artillery...	1,440
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2. These were I believe, sanctioned two years ago on an order from the Commander-in-Chief, that they should be on a per centage of the strength of Regiments.

3. Since they were sanctioned, Regiments have, I believe, been reduced in strength which would not necessitate so many, and 2ndly, if (as they ought to have been) the several Barracks had been considered instead of the Regiments, it would have been seen at once the above List would be perfectly useless.

4. For the new Dragoon Barracks, sixteen Cells are sanctioned according to Standard Plan, of which I enclose a copy; therefore the first item of Rupees 4,560 is not required. In the present Dragoon Barracks there are four Cells of the old Black-hole description, generally pronounced to be quite unfit for the purpose in this country. I would therefore suggest instead of building new additional ones of this description, that the present ones be removed and a set as per Standard Plan be erected. The sanctioned amount for those in the new Barracks being Rupees 16,300, including Provost Serjeant's Quarters, which the present Dragoon Barracks are in want of.

5. The Officer Commanding the Artillery has informed me he does not require any, but I would suggest that before forwarding this to Major General Spencer, that the Officers Commanding Regiments be requested to favor you with their opinion on the subject.

6. A total sum of Rupees 13,810 is now sanctioned, so should my proposition be approved of, a further sum of only Rupees 2,000 will be required, and the advantages gained are so great that they need no further comment.

7. Should this be approved of by Major General Spencer, I have the honor to request he will be so good as to forward it with his remarks, for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

From the Officer Commanding Royal Artillery Mysore Division, Bangalore, 5th April 1862, *No.* 509; *to the Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General, Mysore Division, Bangalore.*

In acknowledging receipt of your Memorandum, prefixing copy of letter, No. 453, dated 29th ultimo, from the Executive Engineer, Bangalore, to your address, and requesting my opinion with reference to paragraph 5 thereof, I have the honor to state that two new Cells of the Standard Plan are required for the 3rd Royal Horse Brigade, but none are required for No. 1 Battery 23rd Brigade Royal Artillery.

ORDER, No. 1881, 23*rd May* 1862.

The Governor in Council approves of the Plan proposed in the foregoing correspondence, for providing new Solitary Cells at Bangalore.

2. The provision of the Funds required in excess of the amount already sanctioned, will be considered in the Department Public Works.

(True Extract.)

Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Quarter Master General, with three enclosures.
„ Public Works Department, with Plan. *Written 20 Spare Copies*

Exd. T. Stubbs.

13th Augt 60 Nos 137 - 138.

the
Army will be met
from the Revenue
fund of 1862/63.

Chelmsford
5th June 1862.

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To The Actg Dy Chief Engr C.C. with 3 Copies
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Approving of the plan
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may be made for the
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The difference Rs 3930
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