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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
18th December 1862.

No. 350. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Military Department, dated 11th December 1862, No. 4,252:—

Declining to purchase the house and ground in the Cantonment of Bangalore proposed to be converted into a Hospital for the Royal Artillery at that station, and preferring to build an entirely new one or to add to the existing one so as to render it perfectly adequate for the accommodation required.

(Vide Military Proceedings, 11th December 1862, Nos. 217 @ 219.)

No. 351. ORDER THEREON, 18th December 1862, No. 3,033.

Communicated to the Acting Deputy Chief Engineer, Central Circle.

(Signed.) W. I. BIRDWOOD, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letters :—

From the Deputy Quarter Master General of the Army, Fort Saint George, 30th October 1862, *No.* 8331 ; *to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.*

I have the honor, by order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, to submit the following subject for the orders of Government.

2. The provision of a new Hospital at Bangalore has long been a matter of urgent necessity, and a site has been chosen in the Cantonment which has met with the approval of a properly constituted Committee. But it is occupied by a private house, which it is designed to purchase and convert into a Hospital. A Committee was assembled under the Rules laid down by the Government of India (copy annexed) for ascertaining the value, and their decision is that the house is worth 18,000 Rupees. The sum appearing greatly in excess of the real value of the property, it was valued by the Executive Engineer. His Estimate appraises it at 9,605 Rupees.

3. The Commander-in-Chief is very reluctant to relinquish this site, as another equally convenient is not to be had; and he therefore requests that the subject may be taken into consideration by Government, with a view, if possible, to the property being taken under the Act of 1857.

4. In consideration of the loss to which the owner may be subjected, arising from his inability to let his house so long as it is known that it is likely to be purchased by Government, and in consideration of the piece of ground attached to the house, His Excellency thinks that 12,000 Rupees is a fair value for it.

5. Enclosed are original Proceedings of the Committee of Arbitration and the Engineer's Estimate.

From the Deputy Quarter Master General of the Army, Fort Saint George, 28th November 1862, *No.* 9186 ; *to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.*

I have the honor, by desire of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, to forward a Plan of a portion of Bangalore, affording the information called for in paragraph 1 of your Memorandum of the 12th instant. A Plan of the whole Cantonment is also forwarded for reference if desired. Mrs. Burn's compound is marked on it. A Plan of the house is also enclosed.

2. The Chief Engineer of the Department Public Works states that the purchase money for the house can be paid by the Executive Engineer, Bangalore, from the funds now at his disposal, which, if found hereafter to be insufficient, will be supplemented by a grant from the reserve.

3. The new Hospital is required for the accommodation of the sick of the Royal Artillery, Horse and Foot, stationed at Bangalore—after the arrival of the Battery from Bengal, about the end of next month, the strength of the Royal Artillery at Bangalore will be as noted in the margin.

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4. I am directed, in reference to your 3rd paragraph, to forward for submission to Government, a letter* from the Officer Commanding Royal Artillery in the Mysore Division, affording the required information regarding the present Hospital accommodation for the Royal Artillery at Bangalore, and the reasons for its not being considered sufficient.

*No. 1386 *of 21st November* 1862.

ORDER, No. 4252,, 11*th December* 1862.

In the foregoing letter it is proposed to purchase a house and ground in the Cantonment of Bangalore, in view to the conversion of the Building into a Hospital for the Royal Artillery at that Station.

2. The owner, however, being unwilling to dispose of the property, it is proposed to take possession of it under Act VI of 1857.

3. The Governor in Council doubts the propriety of this course—it being questionable whether the provisions of the Act extend to Mysore. His Excellency is moreover of opinion that the adaptation of old dwelling houses to the purpose contemplated, generally proves both

expensive and unsatisfactory. He would therefore prefer either to build an entirely new Hospital, or to add to the existing one, so as to render it perfectly adequate for the accommodation required.

4. Under the above view, Government decline to purchase the property in question.

(True Extract.)

Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Quarter Master General, with three Plans.
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