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From the Officer Commanding Her Majesty's 43rd Light Infantry, Fort Saint George, 26th September 1861, *No.* 651 ; *to the Brigade Major, Centre Division.*

I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to submit to the Major General Commanding the Division, the great want of another Skittle Alley for the amusement of the men of the Regiment under my Command in Fort Saint George, there being only one at present and which is found quite inadequate for the great number of men who wish constantly to avail themselves of this recreation which is obtainable now only by a very small portion of the men, it being in my opinion most desirable that every facility should be afforded for the enjoyment of the men in this country.

I beg also to point out that there is a most convenient site for an additional Alley either parallel to the one now erected, or in the open space inside the rails adjoining the Barracks (Left Wing) not twenty yards from the present Alley near which the small building for the shelter of the Sentry is built, the space not being required for any purpose whatever Regimentally.

Request the District Engineer to submit an Estimate Report and Plan of the Skittle Alley proposed.

(Signed) W. A. McCLEVERTY,
Major General.

No. 3868.

Forwarded to the Barrack Master, who is requested to call upon the District Engineer to submit a Plan and Estimate.

BRIGADE OFFICE,
27th September 1861.

By Order:
(Signed) C. ELLIOT,
Brigade Major.

ORDER, No. 572, *14th February* 1862.

The Governor in Council approves of the Plan submitted for extending the present Skittle Alley attached to the Barracks in the Fort, thereby providing two Skittle Alleys as originally sanctioned in Minutes of Consultation, No. 600, dated 10th February 1859.

2. His Excellency however observes, that the present Estimate* exceeds the half of that submitted† for two separate Skittle Alleys in the Proceedings of Government above referred to, which requires explanation; the work meanwhile may be proceeded with.

Rupees 1,180.
†*Rupees* 2,200.

(True Extract.)

Secretary to Government.

To the Public Works Department, with four enclosures.
„ Brigade Major Fort Saint George.
„ Quarter Master General.

Exd. T. Stubbs.

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