

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
9th August 1864.*

No. 214. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Military Department:—

Stating that a portion of the Timber laid in by the Commissariat Department in the Northern Division will be offered for sale to the Superintending Engineer 1st Division. } (Here enter 3rd August 1864, No. 2,670.)

No. 215. ORDER THEREON 9th August 1864, No. 2,287.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer, 1st Division.

(True Extract.)

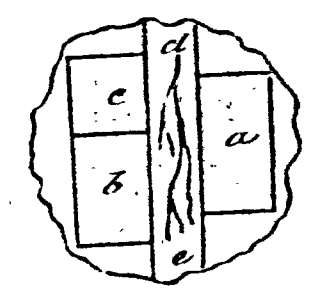
(Signed) J. H. M. SHAW STEWART, Major, R. E.,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 1st Division.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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- a. Beam — $13 \times 12\frac{1}{2}$
 - b. Half-Beam — 13×7
 - c. Axle bed — $7\frac{1}{2} \times 7$
 - d. c. Piece cut out as useless
- Length from 126 R.F.

Genl Carr: Maunff } (Sg?) J. H. Campbell Dir. H. H. Co.
Madras 30 May 1864 } C. H. Supt Genl Carr: Maunff.

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MILITARY DEPARTMENT.
PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers :—

From the Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines, Fort Saint George, 4th June 1864, No. 17 ; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor to furnish the information called for in paragraph 4 of the Order of Government, No. 3882, dated 7th December 1863.

2. This information has been prepared chiefly from data furnished by the Commissary General with whom, as directed, I put myself in communication.

3. With regard to the Timber laid in by the Commissariat Department at Damrah, in the Northern Division and at Moulmein, I beg to state :—

TIMBER IN THE NORTHERN DIVISION.

A.—QUANTITY.

4. According to the Statement furnished by the Executive Commissariat Officer, Masulipatam (copy enclosed marked A) it appears that of 101 Logs of Saul purchased during the years 1849, 50 and 51, 82 logs are in a serviceable condition, and that 19 are unserviceable. These 82 good logs are still at Damrah. It also appears from the same Statement, that 253 logs of Saul were purchased in 1857-58, of which 186 logs are piled at Ganjam, and 67 logs still in the Forests of Goomsur, which latter will have to be "floated down" in the monsoon to the Port of Ganjam.

Vide Reports from this Dept., No. 115, dated 24th September 1863, paragraph 9, and No. 166, dated 30th November 1863.

No. 5730, dated 15th September 1863. As the time is approaching when Departments requiring wood will be making their arrangements for procuring the same, I have the honor to forward statement shewing the number of cubic feet of each kind of Timber remaining with this Department in Burmah and in the Northern Division of this Presidency on the 30th April 1863.

*Poonookoo-wood, Pieces . 1,300 } Northern
Teak-wood, Beams..... 3 } Division.*

	Serviceable.	Unserviceable.
(a) 101 Logs Saul...	82	19
186 " " "	186	0
67 " " "	67	0

(b) 82 Logs purchased at Cuttack.
250 " " " Russelcondah.

5. It is necessary to mention here, that a Statement (copy enclosed marked B) furnished to me by the Commissary General, with his letter, dated 15th September 1863, extract annexed, exhibits the Timber specified in the margin as remaining in the Northern Division on the 30th April 1863; the quantity given appears to differ from that entered in the other Statements furnished to the Commissary General by the Executive Commissariat (a) Officer at Masulipatam, and by the Examiner (b) of Commissariat Accounts.

B.—VALUE. 6. The Executive Commissariat Officer at

Masulipatam does not appear to have entered the value of this Timber in his Accounts, but from a Statement furnished by the Examiner of Commissariat Accounts (alluded to in the foregoing paragraph, and copy enclosed marked C) the cost of the 82 serviceable logs at Damrah, which are stated to have been purchased at Cuttack is..... Rupees 3,982 2 3 and of the 250 logs in Ganjam and the Goomsur Forests, described as having been purchased at Russelcondah..... " 2,916 2 11

Total Rupees 6,928 5 2

C.—PRESENT CONDITION AND HOW STOWED.

7. With regard to the condition of the Timber, the information before me is too imperfect to enable me to report on that at Damrah.

On a late visit to Ganjam, I perceived lying near the Custom House and exposed to the weather, some 130 logs of Saul Timber which I was informed were purchased some three years ago by your Department for the Gun Carriage Manufactory and since abandoned.

Though the logs have suffered from exposure to the sun, they are still valuable for building purposes; and I shall have much pleasure in purchasing them from you at a fair price, should you be disposed to sell them.

**D.—COST OF SENDING A GUN CARRIAGE
SUBORDINATE TO SELECT TIMBER.**

<i>Batta per mensem for a Sub-</i>				
<i>Conductor</i>		<i>Rs.</i>	22	13
<i>Stationery allowance</i>			20	0
<i>Horse</i>			30	0

10. Saul-wood for the Gun Carriage Manufactory is required to be of the following dimensions, 12 to 18 feet in length, 15 to 25 inches in quarter girth and three-fourths of the whole of the logs should not be less than 15 feet in length: the serviceable logs when reduced to these dimensions will admit of being taken as

Para. 2.—As you say it is difficult to get tonnage in consequence of the logs being so large, I have no objection to have them cut lengthwise in halves, which reduces them to very moderate dimensions, and weight for which freight ought to be easily obtained.

A.—QUANTITY.

Teak.....	C. ft.	6,662	9	1
Peddawk	"	537	4	0
Engyneen or Saul ...	"	616	6	5

12. The Executive Commissariat Officer at Rangoon returns this Timber Teak as 43 whole and 8 half logs, C. ft. 6,662 9 0 Peddow 8½ logs.

Engyneen and Saul 13 logs; but the Ordnance Officer appointed to select from this Timber, found the quantities

Teak 42 whole and 8 half logs.

Peemah.....	1 log.	} Probably entered as Teak in Commis- sariat Report.
Peddowk.....	8½ "	
Engynceen or Saul ...	13 "	

9. The extra expense, exclusive of passage that will have to be incurred in sending a qualified Sub-Conductor from the Gun Carriage Manufactory to select such Timber as may still be fit for Gun Carriage purposes from the logs in the Northern Division, will amount to a monthly charge of Rupees 72-13-2 as exhibited in the margin.

Carriage Manufactory is required to be of the length, 15 to 25 inches in quarter girth and could not be less than 15 feet in length: the dimensions will admit of being taken as freight, or, if the logs were cut in two, lengthwise, as suggested by the Superintendent Gun Carriage Manufactory, to the Commissary General, in his letter dated 16th February 1863, the Timber would be rendered sufficiently portable for Coasting Ships of ordinary tonnage.

11. The Statement furnished by the Examiner of Commissariat Accounts (C) exhibits the quantity of this Timber as follows:—

C. ft.	6,662	9	1
"	537	4	0
"	616	6	5

g, } Probably entered as Teak in Commis-
sariat Report.

B.—VALUE. 13. The Executive Commissariat Officer at Rangoon is unable to say when this Timber was purchased, as there are no records to show the exact date when the purchases were made, and he is consequently, he adds, unable to give the true cost price of the Timber.

C. ft. I. P.

6,662	9	1 Teak at Rupees 50 per ton of 50 C. ft.	6,662	12	1
537	4	0 Peddowk at Rupees 25.....	268	10	8
616	6	5 Engyneen at „ 25.....	308	4	4

Total Rupees ... 7,239 11 1

C.—PRESENT CONDITION AND STOWAGE.

15. The Timber is stowed in the Commissariat yard on the River bank. The logs are piled into stacks. Lieutenant J. Craig who was deputed (under instructions from this Office) by the Ordnance Officer, Rangoon, to proceed to Moulmein for the purpose of selecting from this Timber, reports that "the Teak is good and generally of a large size and well seasoned;" only four of the Peddowk and five of the Engyneen or Saul logs are considered by him to be "fit for use," the remaining number of these logs being "split and more or less decayed and apparently have been a very long time in the yard."

16. Annexed is a Statement marked *D* of the Timber selected by Lieutenant Craig, and the Superintendent Gun Carriage Manufactory considers the selection a good one.

Teak 12 to 20 feet in length and 19 to 27 inches and upwards in quarter girth.
Peemah 12 to 15 feet in length and 14 to 24 inches and upwards in quarter girth.
Peddowk and *Saul* 12 to 18 feet in length and 15 to 25 inches in quarter girth, or as per Sketch attached marked E.

17. If this Timber be cut in two, lengthwise, or according to the dimensions entered in the margin, it can be readily shipped to this Coast.

**D.—COST OF SENDING A GUN CARRIAGE
SUBORDINATE TO SELECT TIMBER, MOUL-
MEIN.**

		Conductor.		
Batta.....	Rs.	30	7	0
Stationery allowance.....	„	20	0	0
Horse „	„	30	0	0
	Rs...	80	7	0

<i>Sub-Conductor.</i>			
<i>Batta</i>	<i>Rs.</i>	22	13 2
<i>Stationery allowance</i>	„	20	0 0
<i>Horse</i> „	„	30	0 0
	<i>Rs.</i>	72	13 2

18. The extra monthly expense to be incurred by detaching a Conductor or a Sub-Conductor from the Gun Carriage Manufactory to Burmah for the purpose of selecting Timber, is shewn in the margin, which expense does not include the charge on account of passage. It does not however appear necessary to detail a Warrant Officer from the Gun Carriage Manufactory, as Lieutenant Craig, now at Rangoon, can satisfactorily perform that duty.

19. With reference to paragraph 2 of the Order of Government quoted at the head of this Report, I have now the honor to forward herewith form of Advertisement, Tender and Contract, which have been very carefully prepared in communication with the Government Solicitor.

(Signed) J. CRAIG, Lieutenant,
Deputy Assistant Commissary of Ordnance.

ARSENAL, RANGOON, }
21st March 1864. }

GUN CARRIAGE MANUFACTORY ADVERTISEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that Sealed Tenders will be received up to 4 o'clock on the 1st of July 1882 by the Superintendent of the Gun Carriage Manufactory at Madras, for the supply by Contract of the Timber mentioned in the subjoined Schedule.

2. Tenders will be opened by the Superintendent at the Gun Carriage Manufactory at Madras, in the presence of those interested, who may choose to attend.

3. Each Tender must be accompanied by a deposit in Cash, Bank of Madras Notes or Currency Notes equal to 2½ per cent. on the value of the Timber to be supplied; in default of such deposit the Tender will be rejected.

4. Should the successful competitor fail to sign a Contract in the form used in and by the Gun Carriage Department within three days from the date on which the acceptance of his Tender is made known to him and to furnish the Security mentioned in the subjoined Schedule, his deposit will be forfeited to Government.

5. No advances of Cash will be made to the Contractors.

6. Payments will be made by the Superintendent after delivery of the articles and on presentation of Bills with Vouchers attached.

7. A fine of Rupees 2½ per cent. on the Contract value of the Timber not duly supplied will be levied for any infringement of the stipulations of the Contract.

8. The Contract must not be assigned or sub-let. The Contractor's Securities will be returned to him on completion of his Contract.

9. No Tenders will be received after the hour and day fixed for their presentation, and the Superintendent may reject any Tender without assigning any reason for his so doing.

10. Tenders to be superscribed Tender for

11. Forms of Tenders, copies of Schedule and all other information connected with the Contract may be had on application at the Gun Carriage Manufactory. None but Tenders written the blank printed forms furnished by the undersigned will be received.

12. The Contractor must bind himself to make good to Government (beyond and in addition to such fine of 2½ per cent. on Contract value as provided for in paragraph 7,) all loss which may arise to Government from his failing to fulfil his Contract, and such loss shall be calculated exclusive of and without any reference to such fine.

By order of the Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines.

GUN CARRIAGE MANUFACTORY,
MADRAS, ————— 186 . . }

Supt. Gun Carriage Manufactory

SCHEDULE.

Description of Timber to be supplied.	Quantity or Number.	Period of delivery, specifying quantities.	Place of delivery, and to whom to be made.	Amount of deposit in Cash, Bank of Madras Notes or Currency Notes to accompany Tender.	Amount of security in Government Securities, Cash, Bank of Madras Notes, or Currency Notes to be deposited by successful Competitors.	Remarks.

GUN CARRIAGE MANUFACTORY, }
MADRAS, ————— 186 . }

FORM OF TENDERS.

With reference to the Advertisement from the Gun Carriage Manufactory in the Fort Saint George Gazette, No. , dated the undersigned Tenders for the supply of the following Timber upon and subject to the terms, conditions and stipulations of the said Advertisement.

Description of Timber.	Quantity.	Rate.			Per.	Amount.		
		RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.

AGREEMENT made the day of 1864, BETWEEN hereinafter called "the Contractor" of the one part and THE RIGHT HONORABLE THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA IN COUNCIL hereinafter called "the Purchaser" of the other part.

WHEREAS the Contractor has agreed with the purchaser to supply the Gun Carriage Manufactory at Madras (hereinafter called the said Department) with the Timber specified and described in the Schedule hereto annexed at the times, for the prices, in the manner and upon the terms and conditions hereinafter mentioned.

And whereas the Contractor has blank endorsed and deposited with the Superintendent of the Gun Carriage Manufactory at Madras for the time being the Promissory Note or Security of the Government of India, hereinafter described (that is to say) as Security for the due and faithful performance by the Contractor of this his Contract.

NOW THESE PRESENTS WITNESS that for carrying the said agreement into execution the Contractor on the one part for himself his heirs executors administrators and personal representatives and the purchaser on the other part for himself his successors and assigns mutually covenant declare contract and agree every of them with the others and other of them in manner following (that is to say.)

The Contractor shall and will supply to the said Department all the Timber specified in the said Schedule at and for such prices as are also specified in the said Schedule and all such Timber shall be delivered by the Contractor and at his expense at and into the Gun Carriage Manufactory at Madras at the respective times and in the manner in the said Schedule also specified.

All Timber supplied by the Contractor shall be of the best description and shall be in all respects good sound and marketable, free from cracks knots and other flaws and shall be equal in all respects to the specification and description set forth in the said Schedule.

All Timber supplied by the Contractor shall be subject to inspection and acceptance or rejection by such person as the Superintendent of the Gun Carriage Manufactory for the time being shall from time to time name and appoint to that duty or for that purpose (and which said person to be so named and authorized as aforesaid is hereinafter referred to as the Inspecting Officer) and all Timber supplied by the Contractor which in the opinion of the Inspecting Officer shall be in bad order, unsound unmerchantable, cracked, knotted, inferior in quality to the specification and description set forth in the said Schedule or otherwise faulty or unfit for use in the said Department shall and may be rejected by the Inspecting Officer and his opinion and rejection shall be in all respects final and conclusive and altogether operative and binding upon the Contractor and shall not be open or subject to question on dispute by the Contractor upon any ground whatsoever.

All Timber supplied by the Contractor which shall be rejected by the Inspecting Officer shall be removed by the Contractor within hours after such rejection shall have been notified to the Contractor by the Inspecting Officer and in lieu of the Timber so rejected the Contractor shall and will within after such rejection shall have been notified to him as aforesaid

supply and deliver to the said Department and at and into the said Manufactory, between such hours and in such manner as the said Department shall require or direct such quantity or quantities of Timber in all respects equal to the specification and description set forth in the said Schedule as shall be equivalent in quantity or quantities to the quantity or quantities of Timber which shall have been so rejected as aforesaid.

All Timber supplied in lieu of rejected Timber shall be in like manner subject to such rejection and removal as aforesaid as often as such Inspecting Officer shall consider necessary.

In case of neglect or refusal on the part of the Contractor to supply and deliver any of the Timber specified and described in the said Schedule and of such approved description and quality and at such place and time or times and in such manner as hereinbefore provided and so often as any such neglect or refusal shall happen it shall be lawful for the Superintendent of the Gun Carriage Manufactory at Madras for the time being or any person by him thereunto authorised to purchase elsewhere and from any other person or persons whomsoever such quantities of Timber as shall not have been duly supplied and delivered by the Contractor or as shall be required in lieu of any Timber which shall have been so rejected as aforesaid, and to charge the difference (if any) between the price or prices of the Timber which may be so purchased or the moneys which may have been paid for the same and the price or prices payable under this Contract for such Timber against the Contractor and in addition thereto to impose upon the Contractor a fine not exceeding the sum of Rupees for each such case of neglect or default.

The Contractor shall pay and reimburse to the purchaser such difference in price as aforesaid and such fine or fines as aforesaid within days after the same shall have been demanded from him by or on behalf of the purchaser.

The Contractor shall not be in any way interested or concerned directly or indirectly with the servants of the said Department in any trade business or other transaction whatsoever nor shall the Contractor give or pay or promise to give or pay to any such servants directly or indirectly any money or fee under the designation of custom or otherwise nor shall the Contractor without obtaining the previous permission in writing of the Superintendent of the Gun Carriage Manufactory at Madras for the time being, assign or make over this Contract directly or indirectly to any person or persons whomsoever or permit any person or persons whomsoever to interfere in the management or performance hereof.

The Contractor shall at all times during the continuance of this Contract obey and carry out in all things the orders instructions and directions of the Superintendent of the Gun Carriage Manufactory at Madras for the time being and of all Officers and servants acting under his orders and by him authorized to act in all or any of the matters and things herein contained and the Contractor shall abide by the decision of the Superintendent of the Gun Carriage Manufactory at Madras for the time being and of any Officer or servant acting under his orders and by him authorised to act for him in all matters relating to or in any wise concerning the construction of this Contract or any matter cause or thing herein contained or any question arising thereout and any and every such decision as last aforesaid shall be final and conclusive and altogether operative and binding on the Contractor and shall not be subject to question or review upon any ground whatsoever.

Within days after the delivery and acceptance of any Timber supplied under this Contract the purchaser shall and will pay the Contractor for all such Timber so delivered and accepted at the rates specified for such Timber in the said Schedule.

Upon the complete fulfilment of this Contract by the Contractor to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of the Gun Carriage Manufactory at Madras for the time being the said Promissory Note or Security of the Government of India shall be re-endorsed to the Contractor.

In case the Contractor shall fail or neglect or refuse to observe perform fulfil and keep all or any one or more or any part of any one or more of the covenants stipulations and provisions herein contained it shall be lawful for the Superintendent of the Gun Carriage Manufactory at Madras for the time being (if he shall think fit so to do) on any such failure neglect or refusal as aforesaid by any writing under his hand to put an end to this Contract so far as regards the purchaser and thereupon every article clause and thing herein contained on the part of the purchaser shall cease and be void. And in case any money difference in price or fine shall then be due from the Contractor

to the purchaser it shall also be lawful for the Superintendent of the Gun Carriage Manufactory at Madras for the time being to sell and dispose of the said Promissory Note or Security amount of Rupees at or for the market value thereof and with and out of the proceeds of such sale (after payment thereout of all expenses connected therewith) to reimburse to the purchaser all such moneys damages losses expenses difference in price and fine or fines as the purchaser shall have sustained or been put to by reason of the Contractor having been guilty of any such failure neglect or refusal as aforesaid or other breach in the performance of this his Contract or as shall for the time being be due and owing from the Contractor to the purchaser.

And if the amount of the proceeds realised by the sale of the said Promissory Note or Security after payment thereout of all expenses connected therewith shall be insufficient to pay and satisfy the whole of all such damages losses expenses difference in price and fine or fines as aforesaid then and in that case it shall be lawful for the purchaser to recover the residue thereof by legal proceedings against the Contractor upon the Covenants herein contained. IN WITNESS whereof the said hath to one part of these presents to remain with the said Secretary of State for India in Council set his hand and seal and the Superintendent of the Gun Carriage Manufactory at Madras for the time being by the order and direction of the Governor in Council of Fort Saint George acting for and on behalf of the said Secretary of State for India in Council, hath to the other part thereof to remain with the said set his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Signed sealed and delivered by the said at Madras in the presence of

The Schedule to which the foregoing Agreement refers.

Specification and description of Timber to be supplied.	Quantity or number.	Period or periods of delivery.	Place of delivery.	Price or prices of Timber to be supplied.

With Report from the Controller of Military Accounts, 22nd June 1864, B.

ORDER, No. 2670, 3rd August 1864.

Upon the information furnished in the foregoing papers regarding the Timber laid in by the Commissariat Department in the Northern Division and at Moulmein, the Governor in Council directs as follows:—

TIMBER IN THE NORTHERN DIVISION.

If the Inspector General of Ordnance is of opinion that this Timber will be of use to the Ordnance Department, he will adopt the most economical means for having it examined by a competent person and such logs as may be required reduced to the sizes admitting of ready shipment, reporting the measures taken to Government. The Commissary General will arrange for having the logs required by the Inspector General of Ordnance sent to Madras by an early opportunity. The rest of the Timber will be offered for sale to the Superintending Engineer 1st Division, and what may not be taken by him will be disposed of to the best advantage.

TIMBER AT MOULMEIN.

The Timber selected by Lieutenant Craig as fit for Ordnance purposes will be cut as required for ready shipment. The Commissary General will arrange for having the same conveyed to Madras, and for disposing of the remainder to the best advantage.

2. The value of the Timber in the Northern Division and at Moulmein, transferred to the Ordnance Department, and the net proceeds realized by the sale of the remainder will be reported by the Examiner of Commissariat Accounts.

3. Paragraphs 5 and 8 of the foregoing letter from the Inspector General of Ordnance will be referred to the Commissary General for such explanation as he may desire to offer.

4. Authority is granted for the adoption of the Forms of Advertisement, Tender and Contract for the supply of Timber prepared by the Government Solicitor.

(True Extract.)

Secretary to Government.

To the Inspector General of Ordnance, with two Forms of Advertisement, Tender and Contract.

- .. Controller of Military Accounts.
- .. Commissary General.
- .. Public Works Department. *With 20 spare Copies*
- .. Examiner of Ordnance Accounts.
- .. " Commissariat Accounts.
- .. " Pay Department.
- .. Military Accountant.

Exd. T. Stubbs.

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Military Dept

Dated 3rd August 1864
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Statue of the Lincoln
in by the Commisariat
Department in the Northern
District will be offered for
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With an order.

Communicated to the Adjutant General
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