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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
12th November 1861.*

No. 210. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Military Department:—

Communicating to the Commander-in-Chief papers relative to the delay which has occurred in substituting for heavy vaults, a more suitable arrangement for the protection of the upper verandahs of the European Hospital at Bellary from the rays of the sun; and stating that the explanation afforded is, on the whole, satisfactory. } (Here enter 1st November 1861, No. 3,861.)

No. 211. ORDER THEREON, 12th November 1861, No. 3,217.
Communicated to the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division.

(True Extract)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division.

Ed. S. T. Augustin.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers:—

No. 53.

MEMORANDUM.

With reference to the Orders marginally noted, the undersigned has the honor to forward to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, the accompanying letter* from the Superintending Engineer 3rd Division, with four enclosures, and to state that it would appear to be dangerous to put up heavy Venetian Screens to the Upper Verandahs of the new European Hospital at Bellary, as sanctioned in Military Proceedings, No. 2151, dated 2nd July 1863. The undersigned is of opinion that it will be advisable to adopt Captain Fischer's suggestions to put up Bamboo Chicks or Gunny Blinds, and to substitute venetians for the panels of the outer-doors of the Verandah.

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
CHITPAK, 18th October 1864. *Secretary to Govt. Public Works Department.*
To the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

From the Superintending Engineer 3rd Division, Cuddapah, 14th October 1864, No. 117; to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.

With reference to Order of Government, No. 2673, dated 14th September 1864, I have the honor herewith to forward the explanation therein called for from Captain Fischer, regarding the apparent delay which has occurred in substituting for heavy Venetians, a more suitable arrangement for the protection of the Upper Verandahs of the European Hospital at Bellary from the rays of the Sun.

2. In reply to the latter part of paragraph 1, I beg to observe that, when I forwarded for sanction the Estimate for these Venetians, I had not seen the Building, but on my first inspection of it, I felt convinced that, to put up such heavy wooden frames, would greatly endanger the safety of the Building, a matter in the opinion of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief "of small professional importance!"

From Captain J. P. FISCHER, Royal Engineers, Executive Engineer 1st Class, Bellary, 6th June 1864, No. 246; to the Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General, Ceded Districts.

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 615, dated 4th instant, and in reply I beg to state, for the information of the Major General Commanding the Division, the work of putting venetians to the Upper front Verandah of the European Hospital at this Station, has been postponed on the authority of the Superintending Engineer of the Division. When Colonel Hemery was lately here, I pointed out to him the danger of putting up the Venetians as proposed, and he quite concurred in that opinion and directed the work to be stopped till some other plan could be devised.

2. The sun only shines into this Verandah for a few months in the year, it is therefore hardly necessary to fix a permanent screen in front of it, even if other objections to such a proceeding did not now exist. I beg, therefore, to suggest Gunny Blinds, if absolutely required for shade, be hung up and so arranged as to fasten at bottom to the wooden beam on top of the iron railing, this would not impede the ventilation from below and would afford all the shade required, at the same time be far less expensive.

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