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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 2nd May 1864.

No. 20. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Military Department:—

Communicating letter from the Quarter Master General furnishing the information called for regarding the transfer of the Depôt at Poonamallee to the Mount, and the extra accommodation which will be required at the latter station before the transfer can be effected; and approving, for immediate execution, of the Plan and Estimate for constructing a Dead-house in connection with the Hospital and Depôt at Poonamallee. } (Here enter 19th April 1864, No. 1,316.)

No. 21. ORDER THEREON, 2nd May 1864, No. 1,253.

1. Communicated to the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, who will apply for funds for the construction of a Dead-house at Poonamallee after the 1st May.

2. The Plans and Estimates, referred to in paragraph 3 of the foregoing Proceedings, will be returned to the Superintending Engineer for submission to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division.
„ Controller and Auditor of Public Works Accounts.
„ Accountant General.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letters:—

From the Quarter Master General, Fort Saint George, 22nd February 1864, No. 2193; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

In their Order, No. 3981, dated 15th December last, Government, on an application made for a Dead-house at Poonamallee, asked "when the transfer of the Depôt at Poonamallee to "the Mount may be expected to take place, and what extra accommodation at the Mount will "be required before the transfer in question can be effected."

2. An answer to this question was necessarily deferred till the return of Head Quarters to Madras.

3. The Secretary of State, in his Despatch dated 1st December 1859 (*Vide* Order of Government, No. 124, dated 10th January 1860), sanctioned the removal of the Depôt at Poonamallee to the (neighbourhood of the) Mount, and Plans and Estimates were ordered; but up to the date of the receipt of the Order of Government, No. 64, dated 7th ultimo, and No. 472, dated 11th instant, no information of the readiness of the Plans has been conveyed to His Excellency. They have never, it is believed, been submitted to him, though they have been approved by Government and ordered to be entered in the Budget. These Plans it is observed provide for 800 men, agreeably to the Quarter Master General's letter to Government, in Order of Government, No. 1673, dated 4th May 1860; but in a letter from this Office, dated 18th July 1861, the Chief Engineer was informed that in consequence of Recruits being now ordered to land at the nearest Ports to their Regiments, space for 650 men would suffice.

4. The alterations to the accommodation at the Mount, sanctioned by Government, refer to adapting the late Recruit Depôt, but now Field Battery Quarters, into Quarters for two Light Field Batteries, and is, therefore, a totally distinct scheme. The Depôt which was sanctioned by the Secretary of State is an Institution similar to that at Poonamallee, and will ultimately be erected between Palaveram and the Mount.

5. As the Plans and Estimates for these last named Buildings have only now been submitted to Government (not to the Commander-in-Chief), it cannot be expected that the Depôt at Poonamallee will be disused for many years, and, therefore, the Dead-house applied for will be no waste of money.

6. It was in view of this that the application was submitted to Government.

From the Quarter Master General, Fort Saint George, 5th April 1864, No. 3648; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

With reference to this Office letter, No. 2193, dated 22nd February last, I have the honor, by order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, to request you will move Government to pass orders on the subject of the construction of a Dead-house at Poonamallee, and on the other points referred to in that letter.

ORDER, No. 1316, 19*th April* 1864.

Ordered to be communicated to the Department Public Works.

2. The Plan and Estimate for constructing a Dead-house in connection with the Hospital and Depôt at Poonamallee, are approved, for immediate execution.

3. Referring to paragraph 3 of the Quarter Master General's letter, No. 2193 above recorded, the Governor in Council observes that in passing orders* on paragraph 7 of the Secretary of State's Despatch of 1st December 1859, No. 117, the Chief Engineer was called upon through the Public Works Department, to prepare, in communication with His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, Plans and Estimates for the required Buildings for the European Depôt at the Mount, which it was assumed had been done.

**Vide paragraph 4 of Proceedings of Government, 10th January 1860, No. 124.*

They will now be laid before His Excellency by the Superintending Engineer 4th Division, and further orders will be passed on their being submitted to Government with the Commander-in-Chief's approval. Meanwhile, the sanction to the entry in the Budget† will hold good.

(True Extract.)

†*Pro. of Govt. No.* 64, *7th January* 1864.

Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Quarter Master General.
„ Public Works Dept., with Plan,
Estimate and Specification. *& 20 spare Copies.*
„ Barrack Master.

Exd. G. Rodrigues.

Abstract Estimate No. of 1863/64

Madras District Contonment Poonamallee

Work. Constructing Dead House in the Hospital at Poonamallee

Quantities	Description of works	Rate			Amount	
					108	
43	Cubic yards of Granite in Chunam	2	8	"	100	
63					220	
64	do of Brick in chunam 784	3	8	"	224	
62	Sft Arch Brick in chunam	-	3	6	14	
26	Squares of Plastering in chunam 2 coats	2	4	"	56	
340	do feet of roofing with Palmerah Couples reepers nails flat and pantiles & Chunam Borders to room	"	4	"	85	
440	Squares of roofing with Palmirah rafters nails flat and pantiles do to Verandah	1	3	6	96	
1	Squares of Honey Comb work with tiles	6	"	"	6	
4	do of flooring with 8" Sqr Bricks in chunam and a levelling course of wall bricks underneath	8	8	"	34	
8 10	Cubic feet Teak wood wrought and put up	3	"	"	30	
1	Batten Door Complete 7×5	30	10	-	24	
2	do do 7×3½	26	"	"	31	
4	Attic Ventilators 3½×3½	21	7	-	26	
1	Ridge Ventilators with glazed & complete	19	"	"	43	
4	Squares Red Painting 3 coats	6			98	
1	Ropes for Ventilators	40	"	"	24	
	Excavating foundation & filling in Basement	30			40	
	Sundries at about 5 per cent	36	"	"	30	
					36	
					9	
		2	2	"	11	
		1	4		6	
					3	793
						7 37
						39
	Sundries at about 5 per cent					830
	Total Estimate Rupees					800

The Mount
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Asst. Engineer

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Sub Mr Jones
Military Dept.

Dated 1st April 1864
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No 1316

In 3 Plan returned to Chief Engr's Office 4th Division 24th May 64

No 1253 - 2nd May 1864

Communicating letter from the Dy Master Genl furnishing information, called for, regarding the transfer of the Depôt at Ponamalle to the Colombo, and the extra accommodation which will be required at the latter station before the transfer can be effected; and approving for immediate execution, of the Plan & Estimate for constructing a Dead-Line in connection with the Hospital & Depôt at Ponamalle.

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No 1253 -

Communicated to the Sub Engineer 4th Division who will apply for funds for the construction of a Dead-Line at Ponamalle as after the 1st May. The Plans Estimates referred to in para 3 of the foregoing Proc: will be returned to the Sub Engineer for submission to H.E. the Commander in Chief.

To The Sub Engineer 4th Division with one Sketch & 1/4 Plan's
" Controller & Auditor of P.W. accts
" Accountant General

Chepauk 2nd May 64

No 87 Rec'd Dft E & Dead Line 2nd May