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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 6th May 1864.

No. 111. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Military Department :—

Communicating letter from the Quarter Master General regarding the supply of Boilers in which Soldiers' Cots may be immersed in order to destroy vermin. } (Here enter 26th April 1864, No. 1,403.)

No. 112. ORDER THEREON, 6th May 1864, No. 1,300.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineers, whose attention is requested to paragraph 2.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineers.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers :—

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department.

Read the following Circular from the Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, Fort William, 31st December 1863, *No.* 69 ; *to the Secretary to the Government of Madras.*

The accompanying standard design of a Boiler in which Soldiers' Cots may be immersed in order to destroy vermin, is forwarded for adoption. The necessity for such boilers has been admitted by Government in the Military Department, and the cost of the work being within the competence of Commanding Officers to sanction, Executive Engineers should be desired to comply with the orders of Officers Commanding stations for their construction, at a cost in no case exceeding Rupees 160, and on the following scale, *viz.*, one to each Wing of a Regiment, Division or detached Battery of Artillery, and to Detachments of not less than two Troops or Companies of Cavalry or Infantry, provided they are not merely temporarily detached.

ORDER THEREON, 8th February 1864, No. 401.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineers for information and guidance.

(True Extract.)

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

Referred to the Commander-in-Chief, (Quarter Master General's Department) for His Excellency's opinion as to the necessity for constructing Boilers of the description alluded to, with reference to Proceedings of Government, 18th November and 17th December 1863, Nos. 3685 and 4019, authorising the supply of Iron Cots.

25th February 1864.

From the Quarter Master General, Fort Saint George, 8th March 1864, *No.* 2854; *to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.*

In reply to the Order of Government, dated 25th ultimo, relating to the supply of Boilers in which to immerse Wooden Cots in Barracks, for the destruction of Bugs, I have the honor, by order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, to say that, as the number of Iron Cots in use in the Presidency does not exceed 2,242,* and the 1,000 ordered from England must take some time to be supplied, His Excellency thinks the Boilers should be sanctioned for this Presidency also. There are about 16,423† Wooden Cots in the Books of the Commissariat Department, of which 14,474 are in use.

* *Including the number in Thayetmyo and Tonghoo, and not including Cannanore and Bellary, from which Reports have not been received.*

† *Not including those in Burmah.*

2. This reply has been delayed in consequence of information sought from the Commissary General on the 3rd August 1863, having only now been supplied, and in part only.

ORDER, No. 1403, *26th April* 1864.

The foregoing letter from the Quarter Master General, is communicated to Department Public Works.

2. The Governor in Council observes that as Iron Cots are in process of supply to the European Troops serving in the Presidency, the provision of Boilers of the description referred to in the foregoing correspondence, should be limited as much as possible.

3. The Plan received from the Public Works Department is forwarded to Quarter Master General for record.

(True Extract.)

Deputy Secretary to Government.

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To the Public Works Department.
„ Quarter Master General, with Plan.
„ Adjutant General.
„ Commissary General.
„ Inspector General of Ordnance.
„ Controller of Military Finance,
„ Barrack Master,
„ Princl. Inspr. Genl. Medl. Dept,
} for information.

Exd. G. Rodrigues.

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