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	No. of rooms	men.
Light Field Battery of Artillery	6 × 2 =	12
Garrison Company of Artillery	3 or 4 × 2 =	6 or 8
Regiment of Cavalry	21 × 2 =	42
Ditto of Infantry	40 × 2 =	80

and when considered with reference to the total amount of accommodation to be provided throughout the three Presidencies, will be attended with very important financial consequences.

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Battery, Royal Horse Artillery				..									1	..	..	1		
Battery Field Artillery			..	..										2	..		6	1
Battery, Garrison Artillery			..	..										2	..		6	1
Regiment, British Cavalry .	1	1	..	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	..	1	4	
				(Not to Lancer Regiments)										7	..	1	21	
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Regulation strength	2	3	..	...			...	5
Accommodation to be provided	2	3	..	...	..			5
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Accommodation to be provided	..	2	7	0	18	132	150	159
Excess accommodation	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	14
<i>Garrison Company of Artillery</i>								
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(Signed) E. C. S. WILLIAMS, Captain, R. E.,
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To the Secretary to the Government of Madras in the Public Works Department.
No. 462. ORDER THEREON, 22nd May 1865, No. 1,394.

MILITARY WORKS, No. 36.

1. Communicated to the Military Department, and to the Superintending Engineers for their information and guidance generally in preparing plans suited to the various localities that may have to be provided with Barrack accommodation.

2. The Circular No. 89 of 1864, adverted to in the orders from the Government of India above recorded, was communicated with the Proceedings of this Government in the Public Works Department, No. 179, dated 19th January 1865.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
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