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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
15th February 1866.*

No. 320. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the
Military Department:—

Passing orders on certain correspondence sub-
mitted by the Quarter Master General, regard- } (Here enter 9th February 1866, No. 546.)
ing the disposition of the Artillery at Cuttack.

No. 321. ORDER THEREON, 15th February 1866, No. 533.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 28.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

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

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers:—

From the Deputy Secretary to the Government of India. } Here enter 20th November 1865, No. 882.
Memo. from the Quarter Master General..... ,, 19th January 1866, No. 775.

From the Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, Fort William, 20th November 1865, No. 882; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, Fort Saint George.

With reference to your letter, No. 3939, dated 23rd October 1865, relative to the inconveniences experienced consequent on the separation of the guns from the men and the draught cattle at Cuttack, I am directed to request that, before sanctioning the changes recommended, the Government of India may be favored with information as to the distance of the guns from the Battery lines, and some further information in respect to the actual inconvenience experienced.

Referred to the Commander-in-Chief (Quarter Master General's Department) for the information called for.

6th December 1865.

Memorandum from the Quarter Master General, Fort Saint George, 19th January 1866, No. 775; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

Forwarded to Government, with reference to Order of Government, dated 6th December 1865.

2. The Government are in possession of a sketch plan of the Artillery position at Cuttack, and as before stated, the late Commander-in-Chief had personal observation of the inconveniences complained of.

From the Officer Commanding Northern District, Waltair, 9th January 1866, No. 10; to the Quarter Master General, Fort Saint George.

With reference to your memorandum, No. 11,842 of the 13th December 1865, forwarding copy of letter No. 882, from Deputy Secretary to Government of India, I have the honor herewith to enclose a letter (No. 2, dated Cuttack, 2nd January 1866) from the Officer Commanding Royal Artillery, Cuttack, which furnishes the information called for by you in the memorandum above quoted.

From the Officer Commanding Royal Artillery, Cuttack, 2nd January 1866, No. 2; to the Station Staff Officer, Cuttack.

With reference to your memorandum, No. 722, of 20th December 1865, enclosing correspondence herewith returned, regarding the disposition of the Artillery at this station, I have the honor to state that the distance of the Guns from the Bullock Lines to be one mile and from the Gunners' Lines 600 yards.

2. The actual inconvenience experienced by the above dispositions is 1st, by the men being so scattered more guards are required, and at present the half Battery here stationed furnishes more guards than a full Battery, this takes several non-commissioned officers from their drills and instructions. 2nd, all the arms of the Battery and accoutrements of the men being kept with the guns, the Gunners have to march a long distance daily to clean them. 3rd, the prison room at present is at the same place as the gun sheds and this alone causes a great inconvenience.

3. The above are the chief inconveniences caused by the present disposition of the Artillery as far as regards the mere routine work in garrison, but if any emergency arose or disturbance occurred, the present position of the guns and men would be critical, for it would be a mere chance whether a mob from the bazaars, or the Gunners would reach the gun-sheds first.

ORDER, No. 546, 9th February 1866.

Ordered that the information contained in the papers submitted with the foregoing memorandum from the Quarter Master General, be forwarded to the Government of India, in reply to the letter from that Government above recorded.

2. The Governor in Council observes that the correspondence has not been submitted in accordance with the instructions laid down in the Proceedings of Government marginally noted, which it is desirable should be more carefully attended to in future.

Public Department, No. 801, 21st May 1859, paragraphs 4 and 5, recorded in Proceedings of Government, Military Department, No. 1848, 27th May 1859.

3. The original documents will be returned, not being required for record.
To the Secy. to the Govt. of India, Mily. Dept. | Here enter 9th February 1866, No. 547.

(True Extract.)

Macmillan Esq
Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Quarter Master General, with an enclosure.

.. Adjutant General, ...
.. Public Works Department, ...
.. Inspector General of Ordnance, ...
.. Controller of Military Accounts, ... } for information.

*Transd & Co
15th Feb 1866*

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Ed. A. W. Cooke.

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*Pro. of Govt. in the
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No. 546

*Copying orders on
certain correspondence
submitted by the 2nd
Lt. Col. regarding
the disposition of
the Artillery at
Louthall.*

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