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Superintg Engr 3rd Div
Camp Bellary

No. 1112.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
28th May 1867.

No. 635. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Military Department:—

Sanctioning the proposed improvements to the three of the Staff Serjeants' quarters at Bellary. } (Here enter 21st May 1867, No. 1,876.)

No. 636. ORDER THEREON, 28th May 1867, No. 1,601.

MILITARY WORKS, No. 45.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer of the 3rd Division, who will, with reference to paragraph 1, submit an estimate of the cost of improving three of the Staff Serjeants' Quarters at Bellary. The work may, in the meantime, be proceeded with from the allotment for Item 5 of the Budget.

(True Extract.)

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

Superintendg Engr Office 3d Divn
Camp Bellary
11th February 1867

No 3142.

From

The Superintending Engineer
3d Division

To

The Quarter Master General
Madras

Sir, I have the honor to submit for the approval of H.E. the Commander in Chief the accompanying Plan and Estimate for improving the Staff Sergeants Quarters of the Native Regiments at Bellary.

2. — At present the Cook Rooms and Privies are in two small blocks facing the centre of the Range and a look at the Plan will show you how badly arranged the existing quarters are. The Officer Commanding the Ceded Districts has already reported to you on these quarters and the Sanitary Commissioner during his late visit to Bellary also remarked on them.

3. — In Para 40 of G.O. No 3938 of 14th December 1866 on the Budget of 1867/68 it is stated that as the Establishment of Non Commissioned Staff attached to Native Troops is proposed to be discontinued, the Estimate for Compound Walls and Wash houses &c. to the quarters of the Staff Sergeants of the Native Corps in Bellary has been "Cont." but I would suggest in that

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case, that these quarters could therefore be made available for the Apothecaries who are attached to the Hospitals of the Native Corps instead of going to the expence of Constructing new Quarters for them. I have Communicated with the Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General of the Division, who, in reply, states as follows; "the Major General fully Concurs in and indeed had intended proposing the transfer as suggested. If not converted to this purpose he is of opinion that for no other could they be made available, for although not close to the Hospitals they are still not too far off".

I have &c.

(Signed) A. A. Kinloch, Major R.E.
Superintg Engineer 3rd Dn

True Copy

A. A. Kinloch Major R.E.
Superintending Engineer 3rd Dn

Enclosure in a letter from the Superintg Engineer 3rd Division dated 2nd March 1867. No 32.16.

To The Secretary to Govt
P.W. Dept.

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No. 1230 of 1867

Copy of a letter from the Superintg Engineer 3rd Dn to the Quarter Master Genl Madras "regarding the improvement of the Staff Sergeants Quarters of the Native Regiments at Bellary".

Encl. No 37.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers:—

From the Secy. to Govt., Public Works Dept.... Here enter 11th March 1867.

Memo. from the Quarter Master General... ... ,, 17th April ,, No. $\frac{174}{2917}$.

From the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division, Camp Amarapoor Taluq, Madakaserah District, Bellary, 2nd March 1867. No. 3286; to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Madras.

I have the honor to submit for the sanction of Government, the accompanying plan, estimate and specification for improving the Staff Serjeants' Quarters of the Native Regiments at Bellary.

Rupees 7,590.

2. I also beg to submit a copy of a letter addressed by me to the Quarter Master General, and as that Officer has now returned the plan, &c., with the approval of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, I beg to transmit them for the orders of Government, although in paragraph 40 of G. O. No. 3938 of 14th December 1866, this item was ordered to be struck out of the budget of 1867-68.

3. Pending the decision of Government I beg to inform you that I have directed to hold in abeyance the preparation of plans and estimates for three Apothecaries' quarters entered in the budget.

Item No. 5.

From the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division, Camp Asperi, 11th February 1867, No. 3142; to the Quarter Master General, Madras.

I have the honor to submit for the approval of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, the accompanying plan and estimate for improving the Staff Serjeants' Quarters of the Native Regiments at Bellary.

2. At present the cook-rooms and privies are in two small blocks facing the centre of the range, and a look at the plan will shew you how badly arranged the existing quarters are. The Officer Commanding the Ceded Districts has already reported to you on these quarters, and the Sanitary Commissioner during his late visit to Bellary also remarked on them.

3. In paragraph 40 of G. O No. 3938 of 14th December 1866, on the budget of 1867-68, it is stated that "as the establishment of Non-Commissioned Staff attached to Native Troops is proposed to be discontinued, the estimate for compound walls and wash-houses, &c., to the quarters of the Staff Serjeant of the Native Corps in Bellary has been struck out;" but I would suggest, in that case, that these quarters could then be made available for the Apothecaries who are attached to the hospitals of the Native Corps instead of going to the expense of constructing new quarters for them. I have communicated with the Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General of the Division, who, in reply, states as follows; "the Major General fully concurs in and indeed had intended proposing the transfer as suggested; if not converted to this purpose he is opinion that for no other could they be made available, for although not close to the hospital they are still not too far off."

Referred to the Military Department.

(Signed) C. A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secy. to Govt. P. W. D.

11*th March* 1867.

Referred to the Commander-in-Chief, (Quarter Master General's Department) with advertence to Proceedings of Government, No. 376, 30th January 1867, and for report on the proposal

Budget Estimate 1867-68, *page* 4. *Apothecaries' quarters, Bellary.*

eventually to convert the building into Apothecaries' quarters,—the cost of the alteration and improvements being equal to that estimated for new quarters.

15th March 1867.

Memorandum from the Quarter Master General, Head Quarters, Ootacamund, 17th April 1867, No. $\frac{174}{2917}$; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

The Commander-in-Chief has the honor to submit to Government the within letter* from the Officer Commanding Ceded Districts, in reply to the referred communication† from the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division, received with docket dated 15th ultimo.

* 28*th March* 1867, *No.* 39.

†*Herewith returned.*

2. His Excellency entirely concurs in Major General McLeod's remarks, and under the circumstances mentioned by that Officer, he recommends that three of the Staff Serjeants' quarters should be altered and improved to adapt them for quarters for Apothecaries.

From the Officer Commanding Ceded Districts, Head Quarters, Bellary, 28th March 1867, No. 39; to the Quarter Master General, Head Quarters, Ootacamund.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your memorandum, No. 20, dated 18th instant, with enclosures, *having reference to the improvements to the quarters at present occupied by the Regimental Staff Serjeants of Native Regiments, and to quarters required for the Apothecaries attached to those regiments.

**Herewith returned.*

2. By the decision of Government, Serjeant Majorships of Native Regiments only have been abolished, quarters will, therefore, still be wanted for Quarter Master Serjeants.

3 The quarters in question ought, without doubt, to be improved in the manner suggested for the comfort and convenience of these Non-Commissioned Officers.

4. There are six quarters in the block, for the improvement of which Rupees 7,590 are required. There are also three quarters wanted for the Apothecaries above referred to, the estimated cost of which is Rupees 10,338, which together will cost Rupees 17,928.

5. Three quarters only need be improved for the Quarter Master Serjeants, the cost of which will be about Rupees 3,795, and as has been observed by the Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General to the Superintending Engineer at my desire, if these quarters are not converted into accommodation for the Apothecaries, I do not see for what other purpose they could be made available. Hence the question is whether it would not be more prudent to lay out 3,795 Rupees more on these buildings, rather than Rupees 10,338 on three new Assistant Apothecaries' quarters.

6. It is true that until the three Serjeant Majors are disposed of, the Apothecaries will be without quarters as at present, which is unquestionably an inconvenience, but means might, I dare say, be found to expedite the absorption of the Serjeant Majors.

7. Both the Superintending and the Executive Engineer are absent from the place, I am unable, therefore, to ascertain whether the accommodation in the Staff Serjeants' quarters, when improved, will be equal to that allowed for an Assistant Apothecary of a regiment. But if the proposed arrangement can be made for the three Quarter Master Serjeants and three Apothecaries, it will certainly be more economical than building new quarters for the latter and allowing 3 of the others to go to ruin, which they will soon do, if left unoccupied.

Since the above was written, one of the Serjeant Majors has proceeded to rejoin his regiment, his appointment being only an acting one.

(Signed) W. C. McLEOD.

ORDER, No. 1876, 21st May 1867.

The proposed improvements to three of the Staff Serjeants' quarters at Bellary, in view to their being appropriated as accommodation for the Apothecaries attached to the Native Regiments at that station, are approved.

2. Under the provisions of Proceedings of Government as marginally noted, and the gradual absorption of all Staff Serjeants of Native Regiments, the alterations to the remaining three quarters will not be required.

No. 1456, *dated* 25*th April* 1867.
„ 1580, „ 1*st May* „

(True Extract.)

Colonel,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Public Works Department, with plan and enclosures. & 20 Spare Copies.
„ Quarter Master General.

Exd. J. E. Cashart.

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Hon. Sir

I am directed to forward herewith a letter from the Chief Engineer, Madras Army, No 635-636 dated 28th May 1867, enclosing the proposal for improvements to the three quarters of the Staff Sergeants at Bellary

I have &c.

(Sd) [illegible]

Under Secy to Govt

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No 635-636

Fort St George

28th May 1867

Sir

I have the honor to forward herewith a letter from the Executive Engineer, Ceded Districts, No 1661 dated 24th Instant, with its enclosure, submitting an estimate of the cost of improving three of the Staff Sergeants Quarters at Bellary

The work may, in the meantime be proceeded with from the allotment for Heads 6 to SE 3 Dn of the Budget

I have &c.

(Sd) [illegible]

Chief Engineer

Madras Army

No 1661

Bellary

24th May 1867

Sir

I have the honor to submit for the information of Government an estimate of the cost of improving three of the Staff Sergeants Quarters at Bellary

The work may, in the meantime be proceeded with from the allotment for Heads 6 to SE 3 Dn of the Budget

I have &c.

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