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4th July 1867.

No. 91. Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Civil Works—Buildings,) to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, in the Public Works Department, dated Simla, 13th June 1867, No. 440 C :—

1. I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 1,506, dated 18th May 1867, submitting a project for a Central Jail at Cannanore, and in reply to communicate the following observations.

2. The design for the Jail is generally approved, but there are a few points that seem to call for further consideration, and to these it is thought desirable that the attention of the Right Honourable the Governor in Council of Madras should be drawn.

3. *First, as regards the Workshops.*—It is observed that the Government of Madras do not consider it necessary, for the present, to provide separate Workshops as recommended by the Inspector General of Jails, on the ground that it is not yet finally decided that all the labour of convicts in all Jails is to be intra-mural, and that for light in-door work the Barrack verandahs will answer every requisite purpose. On this point I am to draw attention to the remarks made in paragraph 2 of my letter No. 130 C, of 7th February 1866, and to remark that the Governor General in Council is of opinion that not only on grounds of economy, but far more of Jail discipline, extra-mural labour should be the exception and not the rule. Of course there is no objection to the employment of convicts on urgent public works when ordinary labour cannot be procured, or when necessary for the health of the prisoners; yet all such employment must be considered exceptional. It is, therefore, very desirable that proper provision should be made for in-door labour, and for this purpose detached workshops would, for the reason advanced by the Inspector General of Prisons, North-Western Provinces, be preferable to verandahs attached to the Barracks.

4. *Next as to Cells.*—It is observed that only sixteen are provided, being little more than 2 per cent. on the total number of male adult prisoners. It has been thought advisable in the Bengal Presidency to provide cells for 15 or 16 per cent. of the prisoners in Jails, and His Excellency in Council is of opinion that the Government of Madras will find that the most ordinary wants of discipline will demand a larger number of solitary cells than is provided in the Cannanore Jail.

5. For the reasons above stated, the Governor General in Council is of opinion that if the Government of Madras does not consider it necessary to adopt these suggestions at once, it would be prudent to have sufficient space available for additional Workshops and Cells, so as to admit of their construction in the event of their want being felt hereafter.

6. The privy is estimated to cost Rupees 17,160. This is very high, and I am to request that a cheaper description of latrine may be substituted.

7. The only other point calling for notice is the provision for Police. Giving an allowance of forty square-feet per man, the rooms provided will accommodate more than seventy-five men, and in addition to this it is proposed to build and charge to the Jail estimate, quarters for fifty Constables and ten Head or Deputy Constables. It is observed that, in the opinion of the Inspector General of Police, a guard of forty-five Constables would suffice. This point would appear to call for

3 *First as regards the Workshops.*

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further consideration, as also whether the European Constable might not be dispensed with, no provision for such an official being made in Jails in the Bengal Presidency.

8. With these remarks I am directed to communicate the sanction of the Governor General in Council to the estimate submitted, amounting to Rupees 2,93,625,* or with convict labour Rupees 3,18,675.

* Cash outlay	Rupees 2,93,625	Governor General in Council to the
Convict labour... ..	" 25,050	estimate submitted, amounting to Ru-
	Rupees 3,18,675	pees 2,93,625,* or with convict labour

9. This sanction has been registered as No. 34 C of 1867-68.
10. The plans and estimate are returned.

No. 92.
ORDER THEREON, 4th July 1867, No. 1,982.
CIVIL WORKS, No. 10.

1. Communicated to the Superintending Engineer of the 7th Division in continuation of G. O. No. 1,505, dated 18th May 1867.

2. With reference to the remarks in paragraphs 2 to 5, Colonel Walker will place himself in communication with the Inspector General of Jails with a view to arrangements being made for reserving space for additional Workshops and Cells should their want be felt hereafter.

3. The Government observe that the plan of latrine referred to in paragraph 6 is that adopted as the standard for Jails in this Presidency.

4. The Inspector General of Jails will be requested, through the Judicial Department, to report on the subject of paragraph 7 in connection with the recommendation already made in his letter of the 11th June 1867, for the reduction of the permanent guard-room accommodation proposed to be provided in the Cannanore Central Jail.

(True Extract.)
(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. F.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.
" Judicial Department.
" Controller of Public Works Accounts.
" Accountant General.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 440 C
Government of India.
Public Works Department.
Civil Works.
Buildings.

To The Secretary to the Govt of Madras,
in the Public Works Department.

Simla, 13th June 1867.

Sir,
I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter No 1506 dated 18th May 1867, submitting a project for a Central Jail at Cannanore, and in reply to communicate the following observations.

2. The design for the Jail is generally approved, but there are a few points that seem to call for further consideration and to these it is thought desirable that the attention of the Right Honble the Governor in Council of Madras should be drawn.

3. First as regards the Workshops.

It is observed that the Government of Madras do not consider it necessary, for the present, to provide separate Workshops as recommended by the Inspector General of Jails, on the ground that it is not yet finally decided that all the labor of Convicts in all Jails is to be intra-mural, and that for light indoor work the Barrack Verandahs will answer every requisite purpose. On this point I am to draw attention to the remarks made in para. 2 of my letter No. 1300 of 7th February 1866, and to remark that the Governor General in Council is of opinion that not only on grounds of economy but for more of jail discipline, extra-mural labor should be the exception and not the rule. Of course there is no objection to the employment of Convicts on urgent public works when ordinary labor cannot be procured - or when necessary for the health of the prisoners; yet all such employment must be considered exceptional. It is, therefore, very desirable that proper provision should be made for indoor labor, and for this purpose detached workshops would, for the reasons advanced by the Inspector

Inspector General of Prisons, North Western Provinces, be preferable to Verandahs attached to the barracks -

4. Next as to Cells. It is observed that only 16 are provided - being little more than 2 per Cent on the total number of male adult prisoners. It has been thought advisable in the Bengal Presidency to provide Cells for 15 or 16 per Cent of the prisoners in jails - and His Excellency in Council is of opinion that the Government of Madras will find that the most ordinary wants of discipline will demand a larger number of solitary Cells than is provided in the Bangalore Jail.

5. For the reasons above stated the Governor General in Council is of opinion that if the Government of Madras does not consider it necessary to adopt these suggestions at once it would be prudent to have sufficient space available for additional Workshops and Cells so as to admit of their construction in the event of their want being felt hereafter:-

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to this it is proposed to build and charge to the Jail estimate, quarters for 50 Constables and 10 Head or Deputy Constables. It is observed that in the opinion of the Inspector General of Police a guard of 45 Constables would suffice. This point would appear to call for further consideration, as also whether the European Constable might not be dispensed with, no provision for such an official being made in jails in the Bengal Presidency.

8. With these remarks I am directed to communicate the sanction of the Governor General in Council to the estimate submitted, amounting to Rupces 293,025, or with convict labor Rupces 3,18,075. —

9. This sanction has been registered as N^o 34C of 1867/68. —

10.

The plans and estimate are returned.

Have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your Most Obedt. Servant,

W. D. O. Colonel R. A.

Secretary to the Govt of India

* Cash only - Rs. 273,025
Convict labor - 25,050

Rs. 3,18,075

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Public Works Department.

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 1st July 1867

Read the following

from the Secy to the Govt
of India -

(Here enter No. 440 dated 13th June/67.)

Communicated to the
Superintending Engineer of
the 7th Div. in continuation
of G. O. No 1805 of 18th May
1867.

With reference to the
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*Issuing orders on
the plan and estimate
for a Central Jail
at Coimbatore,
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Dept., to report on the subject
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of the 11 June 07 for the
reduction of the permanent
guard room accommodation
proposed to be provided in the
Cannanore Central Jail.

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4th June 1907
Cannanore

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No. 1982

PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT *India*

Dated *4th* July 1867

Forwarding the
instructions to the *Asst. Secy.*
of the *P. & W. Division* read to
the *Inspector General of*
Navies the *Proc. of the Govt. of*
India sanctioning with
remarks, the *Estimate*
amounting to *Rs. 3,18,050*
for the *construction of Central*
Naval at Coimbatore.

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c. 28 June/67 to 1st July