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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
20th December 1867.*

No. 419. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the
Military Department:—

Approving of another site for the lines of the } (Here enter 14th December 1867, No. 4,823.)
Native Infantry Regiment at Vepery.

No. 420. ORDER THEREON, 20th December 1867, No. 3,942.

MILITARY WORKS, No. 20.

Communicated to the Superintend-
ing Engineer of the 4th Division, with
reference to the Order of the 13th
May last, No. 1,440.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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MILITARY DEPARTMENT.
PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers :—

From the Quarter Master General, Fort Saint George, 27th November 1867, No. 7577; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

With reference to the Order of Government, dated 6th May last, No. 1637, on the subject of the selection of a site for the lines of a Native Infantry Regiment, consequent on the contemplated removal of the Regiment now located in Vepery, I have the honor, by order, to submit for the consideration of Government, the accompanying memorandum by the Commander-in-Chief, in which His Excellency shews that the site described in the 6th paragraph of the Committee's report, recorded in the Proceedings of Government above quoted, will be amply sufficient for the lines of a Regiment and for a parade ground also.

Memorandum, with reference to Government Order No. 1637, 6th May 1867.

A Native Infantry Regiment—640 rank and file or 320 files.

Plan attached.—Front of a Regiment, $320 + 9$ Officers, is 329×2 feet per file = 658 feet or 220 yards nearly.

A Regiment has never its total strength on Parade—280 yards square is amply sufficient for a Regiment of the Native Infantry Establishment in line allowing sufficient space for mounted Officers, &c., it would leave 20 yards to spare on each flank.

The Committee primarily fixed on 300 yards square, (this is more than I consider necessary) but allowing that space, 40 acres will be required to locate a Native Corps on its present establishment. The Committee, as referred to in the Proceedings of Government and Order thereon, No. 1637, 6th May 1867—

Noted sites 1 and 2 and report as follows, viz :—

No. 1.—Lawder's Gardens, Scorpion Hall, } 33 Acres valued at Rupees 44,132.
Egmore Retreat.....

No. 2.—Government land opposite to } 41 Acres.
Marshall's road.....

Private property..... Valuation 30,519 Rupees.

I consider No. 1.—33 Acres does not afford sufficient space without either Doveton College or the Male Asylum, giving up part of their play-ground—a divided occupation is most objectionable, and the purchase required is approximately fixed at Rupees 44,132.

Poodoopettah No. II.—41 Acres affords sufficient space including a Parade ground of 300×260 yards—a perfect parallelogram and of ample size—approximate value Rupees 33,519.

Plan of site No. II attached on which the Parade ground 300×260 yards is colored green, but there is additional space for movements. The tanks within the area of the Parade ground can be readily filled up.

MADRAS, }
27th November 1867. } (Signed) W. A. McCLEVERTY, Lieut.-General,

ORDER, No. 4823, 14th December 1867.

The Governor in Council resolves to adopt the site alluded to in the foregoing correspondence, in preference to the previous one selected,* and for the purchase

**Pro. of Govt., No. 1637, 6th May 1867.*

of which a sum of Rupees 50,000 was

ordered to be entered in the Military Budget for 1868-69.

2. Instructions will be issued hereafter regarding the acquisition of the private property required.

(True Extract.)

W. A. McCleverty Major,
Offg. Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Quarter Master General.

Adjutant General.
Controller of Military Accounts.
Sanitary Commissioner.
Inspector General Indian Medical Department.
Public Works Department.

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