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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 3693

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
25th November 1868.*

No. 544. Read the following Endorsement of the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, dated Madras, 2nd November 1868, No. 3,792 :—

Read the following letter from Mr. S. OTTMANN, Sub-Engineer in charge of No. 3 Range, to the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, dated Guduvancheri, 29th August 1868, No. 193 :—

Your No. 2,516 of 24th instant.

1. In reply to your enquiry in the above under acknowledgment, I beg to state that I consider the town of Chingleput the most suited situation, in every wise considered, for the "head-quarters" of this Range. Any part of the Range may be conveniently and quickly reached therefrom; and it is a regular "Postal Station" besides.

2. It will be difficult, indeed, to fix upon a *really central position*, owing to the peculiar lay of the range, unless at the sacrifice of every convenience with regard to the office itself; such, however, is not intended, I presume.

3. Streepermatoor answered very well as the "head-quarters" when the "Kamba Kal" was under construction, but at the present time its situation does not afford that convenience for the location of the "head-quarters" that is desirable. There is no regular "Post Office" at that station either, though a "Talook Tappal" runs between it and Conjeveram.

From Mr. S. OTTMANN, Sub-Engineer in charge of No. 3 Range, to the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, dated Tiruporur, 16th September 1868, No. 222.

Range Head-quarters—Office accommodation.

1. As, from the conversation I had with you recently at Poonamallee on above subjects, it appeared to me that the *question* of "transferring" the "head-quarters" of the range elsewhere, had arisen purely from the demands made by me for "office rent," and the necessary expense to

No. 117 of 27th June 1868.

Government therefrom; I beg to submit that if the proposal made by me in letter marginally noted, viz., to effect the transfer to this Department of the old abandoned "District Moonsiff's Court" at Poonamallee for the accommodation of range office, be acceded to, the Government will be saved "office rent," and the transfer of the "head-quarters" obviated.

2. The repairs of the present "Moonsiff's Court" at Poonamallee being completed, the "old Court," in which the records were temporarily stored, becomes available at once.

* No. 193 of 29th August last.

2. When, in replying* to your No. 2,516, of the 24th August last, regarding the "transfer" of "head-quarters," I recommended Chingleput,

I wrote without any reference whatever to Poonamallee, not being aware wherefore the "transfer" was at all resolved upon. Poonamallee, in point of position, is better situated to command the range, every way, than is Chingleput. The "transfer" to this latter place of the head-quarters, will not save "office rent," unless indeed an "office" is built.

3. Under the circumstances above detailed, I beg to solicit that the "head-quarters" be allowed to continue at Poonamallee, the "old Moonsiff's Court" being obtained for the office. This building may need a little repair, as to all appearances, from the outside, it seems in tolerable order. I believe a large piece of ground is attached to the building, which is rather an advantage, and may be usefully laid out.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
25th November 1863.*

1. Submitted to Government, with reference to paragraph 3 of G. O., No. 2,659, dated 20th August 1863.

2. The Superintending Engineer is of opinion that it would be better to construct an entirely new building, in lieu of the Streepermatoor bungalow, which should be pulled down. A second class pattern travellers' bungalow, as shown on page 61 of Grant's Circular Order Book, is recommended.

3. The transfer of Mr. Ottmann's Office to the Court House formerly occupied by the District Moonsiff of Poonamallee having been authorised in G. O., No. 3,265, dated 16th October 1863, no further transfer would appear to be necessary, as the range work is well conducted with Poonamallee as head-quarters.

(Signed) A. J. M. BOILEAU, Colonel, R. E.,
Superintending Engineer 4th Division.

No. 545.

ORDER THEREON; 25th November 1863, No. 3,693.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 84.

As the Court House formerly occupied by the District Moonsiff at Poonamallee has been transferred to the Public Works Department, and can with a little repair be made suitable for the Range Office Establishment, the Government consider that the construction of a new building for the accommodation of the office at Streepermatoor is unnecessary.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Range "Head quarters" - "Office accommodation"

Madras District

No. 222

From The Sub. Engineer in ch. 3 Range

To The Sup. Engineer 4th Division

As from the conversation I had with you recently at Poonamallee on above subjects, it appeared to me that the question of transferring the "Head quarters" of the Range &c. there, had arisen purely from the demands made by me for "Office Rent," and the necessary expense to Government. Therefore, I beg to submit that if the proposal made by me, in letter marginally noted by No 117 of 27th June 63 to effect the transfer of the Office from the abandoned District Moonsiff's Court at Poonamallee, for the accommodation of Range Office, be acceded to, the Government will be saved "Office Rent," and the transfer of the "Head quarters," obviated.

The repairs of the present Moonsiff's Court at Poonamallee, being completed

completed, the "Head Quarters" in which
the Records were temporarily stored,
becomes available at once.

2. When, in replying to your No.
2516 of 21st August regarding the transfer
No. 193 of 29th Aug. of "Head Quarters",

I recommended Chief
Cephus, I wrote without any reference
whenever to Ponnammallee, not being
aware, wherefore the "transfer" was
at all resolved upon. Ponnammallee
in point of position, is better sit-
uated to command the Range,
every way, than is Chief Cephus.
The "transfer" to this latter place
of the "Head Quarters", will not save
"Office Rent", unless indeed an "Of-
fice" is built.

Under the circumstances above
detailed, I beg to submit, that the
"Head Quarters" be allowed to con-
tinue at Ponnammallee, the "Head
Quarters Court", being obtained for
the Office. This building may
need a little repair, as to all
appearances, from the outside, it
seems in tolerable order. I believe
a large piece of ground, is attached

quarters for the Range.

Madras District

No. 193

From

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laid out.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Yours most obedt. servant

W. M. M. M.

Sub. Secy. to the Range

3. Range Office
Ponnammallee
16. Sept. 1860

unless at the sacrifice of every conve-
nience, with regard to the Office it-
self: such however is not intended, I
presume.

The information answered very well
as the "Head Quarters", when the
"Kambohal" was under construction,
but, at the present time its situa-
tion, does not afford, that convenience

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the Records were temporarily stored,
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Madras District

No. 193

From. The Sub. Engineer in ch. 3 Range.

To. The Sup. Engineer 4 Division.

Re. Your No. 2516 of 24 Instant.

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under acknowledgment, I beg to state
that I consider the Town of Chingleput,
the most suited situation, in every
wise considered, for the "Headquarters"
of this Range. Any part of the
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ly reached therefrom, and it is a re-
gular "postal station" besides.

It will be difficult indeed to find
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self: such however is not intended, I
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tion, does not afford, that convenience
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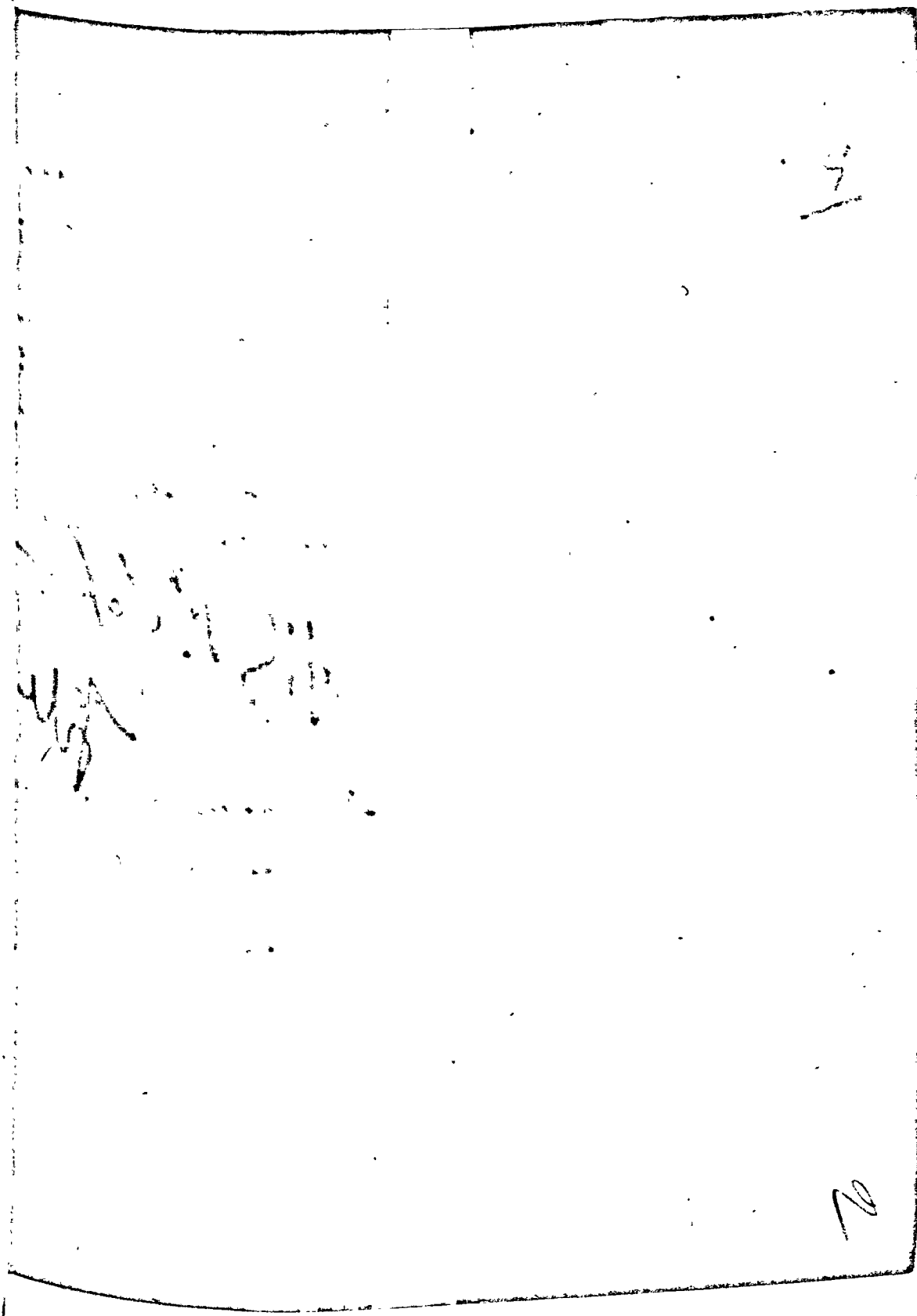
for the location of the "head quarters,"
that is desirable. There is no regular
"Post Office" at that Station, either, though
a "Taluk Tappal" runs between it and
Anjivaram.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedt. Servant

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29 August 1860
20. C. S. S.

W. Williams
Sub. Secy. in ch. 3 Muz



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that is desirable. There is no regular
"Post Office" at that Station, either, though
a "Telegraph" is
convenient

3rd Minute of
Judicial
29th August
30th Sept

From No 5668
The Sub-Engineer D. W.
N. 3 Range Madras

To The Supy Engineer
Lt. D.

P.W. 4271/68.

Dated 29th Sept
Sept. 30th 1868.

Per 1st J. J.
M. S. J.

Affords explanation regard-
ing Head quarters for the
Range.

No 3792.

1 Submitted to Government with reference
to para 3 of G. O. No 2659 dated 20th August 1868.

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opinion that it would be better to construct
an entirely new building in lieu of the Streper-
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well conducted with Poonamallee as Head
Quarters.

A. P. Vileau Col. R. E.
Supy. Engr. Lt. D.

Supy. Engr. Office Lt. D.
Madras 2nd November 1868

To Colonel G. A. Orr R. E.
Secretary to Government P. W. D.
Fort St. George

Public Works Department
No 3693

Proceedings of the Madras Government
dated the 25th November 1868
Part the following

From The Superintending Engineer
H. E. No 3792 dated 2nd Nov 1868

As the Court
House formerly occupied
by the District Munsiff
at Poonamallee has been
transferred to the Public
Works Department, and
can with a little repair
be made suitable for the
Range Office Establishment
the Government consider
that the construction of a
new building for the ac-
commodation of the Office
at Secunderabad is un-
necessary.

& vide G. O. No 3265-
of 16th October 1868.

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From The Superintending Engineer
H. E. No 3792 dated 2nd Nov 1868

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Dept

Dated 23rd November 1868.

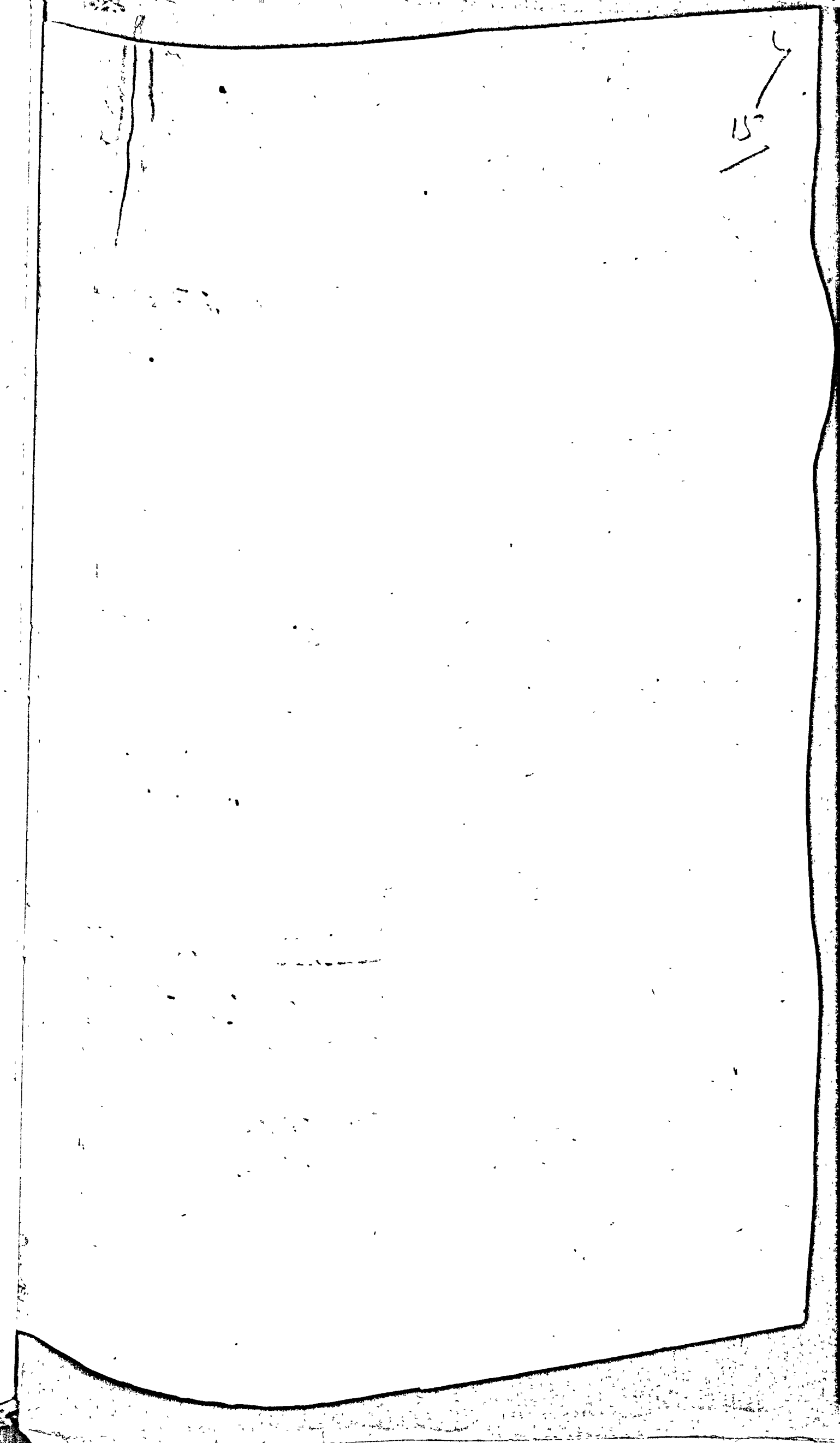
Substituting the existing
from the Superintending Engineer
Range Office and
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commodation of the Office
at Secunderabad is un-
necessary.

No 3693-25th Nov 1868

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To *The Superintending Engrs,
1st Division*

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G. O., 25th Nov 1868, No 3693

Nos. 514-515

Range Office The construction
of a new building for the ac-
commodation of the Range Office
at Steepermaton, Madras &c, con-
sidered, for the reasons given, to
be necessary.