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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
21st November 1870.*

No. 371. Read the following letter from the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Camp at Cuddapah, the 29th October 1870, No. 1,553 :—

I HAVE the honour to bring the following to the notice of Government.

2. In July 1868, Lieutenant Taylor, Assistant Engineer in charge of Cumbum Range, submitted an indent for a single pole Subaltern's tent, representing that "the writers are put to great inconvenience. I am obliged to receive them for office work into my private tent when out in the district; at night the only shelter they have is a tree or a bandy * * * *." Upon this I informed Lieutenant Taylor that a bichobah tent would be found more useful and convenient to carry about the Range, and desired him to make inquiries for one. In August 1868, Lieutenant Taylor informed that a tent in fair order was for sale at Kurnool for Rupees 80. The purchase of it was sanctioned, and the amount (Rupees 80) charged to the allotment for Tools and Plant.

3. On the 18th of May 1870, Lieutenant Taylor submitted a probable estimate, amounting to Rupees 125, for repairing this tent, and stated that "the office tent will cost all this money, and is worth it. I am at present obliged to use my tents for office work. The winds have been so high for the past month as to damage the tent materially." I immediately called the Range Officer's attention to the fact that the tent was purchased barely two years ago, and wished for matters to be explained. Mr. Sub-Engineer Hudson having assumed charge of the Range informs that, when purchased, the tent was not a new one, and that before Lieutenant Taylor left Cumbum for Madras and for Europe on furlough, he had commenced the repairs in anticipation of sanction, and at that time the contractor's bill for the work he had already done was over Rupees 100, and I then called for an explanation to Mr. Hudson's remark that "after the repairs were completed the tent would then be worth from Rupees 50 to 60 only," and asked him to give particulars as to the nature of the contract Lieutenant Taylor had entered into with the contractor.

4. There is no doubt that Lieutenant Taylor did make the tent over to contractor Iyasawmy Moodelliar, as, on a bill presented by this man to Lieutenant

Taylor when about leaving, the following remark was made :—

"Not paid; will be disposed of by Mr. Hudson." (Signed) R. F. TAYLOR.

5. A further remark on this bill is, "To be disposed of by my successor. The tent wants a good deal done to it, as it is not worth the amount of the estimate." In the copy it is shown to be signed by Mr. Hudson, but this appears to be a mistake in copying.

6. In sending this bill of the contractor, Mr. Sub-Engineer Hudson still maintains that, when the repairs are completed, the tent at the outside would be worth about Rupees 60 only, and in recommending the payment of this sum*

to the contractor, submits an estimate for Rupees 13-11-0 for completing the repairs for the present, and states that at the end of a year or so repairs would again be required.

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7. Lieutenant Taylor's proceedings in this matter appear to have been most extraordinary.

I.—For having purchased a tent without, as is apparent, making proper inquiry, which he might have done through the Range Officer or any other member of the department at Kurnool where the tent was.

II.—In not reporting upon the bad condition he must have found it in when it reached Cumbum.

III.—For having made over the tent for repair at a probable cost of Rupees 125 without waiting for orders from this office; and

IV.—In having, although convinced of the worthlessness of the repairs executed up to the time of handing over charge of the Range on 9th June 1870, left the matter in such an unsettled state, particularly as he was aware that the tent, after renewal at a cost of Rupees 125, would not be worth Rupees 60 when completed.

8. The contractor does not appear to have entered into any agreement on stamped paper, and holds to Lieutenant Taylor's endorsement as an admission of the work done, and that work, to the amount demanded by the contractor, was done, is not denied by Mr. Sub-Engineer Hudson. I, therefore, request the orders of Government as to whether, under the circumstances, the contractor should be paid Rupees 60, as recommended by Mr. Hudson, or the full amount of his bill, Rupees 112-0-6, and, in case the man refuses to accept the former amount, to have the suit defended in Court.

9. The estimate for Rupees 13-11-0 for completing the repairs will be sanctioned in this office on the disposal of this letter by Government.

No. 372.

ORDER THEREON, 21st November 1870, No. 2,790.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 35.

As Lieutenant Taylor is now on leave in Europe, and as the contractor to whom the repair of the Cumbum Range tent was entrusted is acknowledged to have executed work to the extent of Rupees 112-0-6 which he claims, the Government are of opinion that that amount should be paid; but on Lieutenant Taylor's return, the Superintending Engineer will furnish that Officer with a copy of this letter for such explanations as he may have to offer on the several points referred to in paragraph 7.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division.

" Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

No. 1553. Superintending Engineer's Office.

3rd Division.

Camp Suddapala Suddapala Talook

Suddapala District.

The 29th October 1870.

From,

The Superintending Engineer

3rd Division.

To,

The Secretary to Government

Public Works Department

Fort St. George

Enclosures.

Sir,

I have the honor to bring the following to the notice of Government.
2. In July 1868, Lieut. Taylor, Assistant Engineer in charge Cumbum Range, submitted an indent for a single pole Subaltern's tent representing that "the Writers are put to great inconvenience" "I am obliged to receive them for Office" "work into my private tent when out in" "the District at night the only shelter" "is a tree or a bandy." &c. &c. &c. Upon this I informed Lieut. Taylor that a pechaboh tent would be found more useful and convenient to carry about

the Range and desired him to make enquiries for one - In August 1868, Lieut Taylor informed that a tent in fair order was for sale at Hurmool for Rupees 80. The purchase of it was sanctioned and the amount (Rs 80) charged to the allotment for Tools and Plant.

3. On the 10th of May 1870 Lieut Taylor submitted a probable estimate amounting to Rupees 125 for repairing this tent and stated that "the Office tent will cost all this money" and is worth it. I am at present obliged to use my tents for office work. The winds have been so high for the past month as to damage the tent materially. I immediately called the Range Officer's attention to the fact that the tent was purchased barely two years ago and wished for matters to be explained. Mr Sub Engineer Hudson, having assumed charge of the Range, informs that when purchased, the tent was not

a new one and that before Lieutenant Taylor left Cumbum for Madras and for Europe on furlough he had commenced the repairs in anticipation of sanction and at that time the contractor's bill for the work he had already done, was over Rupees 100 and I then called for an explanation to Mr Hudson's remark, that "after the repairs were completed the tent would then be worth from Rupees 50 to 60 only" and asked him to give particulars as to the nature of the contract Lieut Taylor had entered into with the Contractor.

4. There is no doubt that Lieut Taylor did make the tent over to Contractor. By assuming as much as on a bill presented by this man to Lieut Taylor when about leaving, the following remark was made. Not paid. Will be disposed of by Mr Hudson signed R. J. Taylor.

5. A further remark on this bill is "to be disposed of by my successor. The tent wants a good deal done to it; as it is not worth the amount of the estimate."

In the copy it is shown to be signed by Mr. Hudson but this appears to be a mistake in copying.

6. In sending this bill of the Contractor, Mr. Sub Engineer Hudson still maintains that when the repairs are completed, the tent at the outside would be worth about Rs. 60 only and in recommending the payment of this sum to the Contractor, submits an estimate for Rs. 13-11-0 for completing the repairs for the present and states that at the end of a year or so repairs would again be required.

7. Lieut. Taylor's proceedings in this matter appear to have been most extraordinary. For having purchased a tent without, as is apparent, making proper enquiry, which he might have done through the Range Officer or any other member of the Department at Bunnool where the tent was.

8. In not reporting upon the bad condition he must have found it in when it reached Bunnool.

III For having made over the tent for repair at a probable cost of Rs. 125. without waiting for orders from this Office.

IV In having, although convinced of the worthlessness of the repairs executed up to the time of handing over charge of the Range on 9th June 1870, left the matter in such an unsettled state, particularly as he was aware that the tent after renewal at a cost of Rs. 125. would not be worth Rs. 60. when completed.

8. The Contractor does not appear to have entered into any agreement on stamp paper and holds to Lieut. Taylor's endorsement as an admission of the work done and that work to the amount demanded by the Contractor was done is not denied by Mr. Sub Engineer Hudson, I therefore request the orders of Government as to whether under the circumstances, the Contractor should be paid Rs. 60, as recommended by Mr. Hudson or the full amount of his bill Rs. 13-11-0 and in case the same refuses to accept the former amount to have the suit defended in Court.

9. The estimate for Rs. 13-11-0 for completing the repairs will be sanctioned in this Office on the disposal of this letter by Government.

I have seen
W. H. H. S. Esq.
Supg. Engineer Bunnool

From

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As Lieutenant Taylor is now on leave in Europe, and as the Contractor to whom the repair of the Cinnabar Range Tent was entrusted is acknowledged to have executed work to the extent of \$112 --- 6 which he claims, the Govt. are of opinion that that amount should be paid, but on Lieutenant Taylor's return, the Supergr. will furnish that Officer with

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W. W. W. W. W.
 From *W. W. W. W. W.*

The Superintending Engineer
3rd Division.

To,

The Leam Road

Maas.

No. 5531

Dated 29th Oct 1870.
Received of James Smith £100

Please notice that a
 card was purchased
 by it say for 80.00
 for Cunningham College
 office in 1880 and the
 balance is not yet done
 to it amount is \$73.12
 but the Keisom report
 that the card would be
 worth no more, as we
 or both ~~persons~~ ^{persons} are going
 for a new building
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 The enclosed letter for
 such explanations as he
 may have to offer on
 the several points referred
 to in para 7 -

In accordance with
 the instructions of the
 Committee of the
 Council of the
 Government of India
 the following
 has been prepared
 for the consideration
 of the Council
 of the Government
 of India
 in connection with
 the proposed
 amendments to the
 Indian Councils
 Bill of 1870.

The enclosed letter for
 such explanations as he
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 The Secy to the Govt
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To *The Superintending Engineer*
2nd Division

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*Ent. Taking orders on the letter
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Regarding the tent purchased
by Lt. Taylor for the Curram
Range Office.*