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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
17th October 1870.*

Read the following papers —

No 235 Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Military Department,
dated 29th September 1870, No 2,790.

Read the following Memorandum from the Officiating Quartermaster General,
to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Head-
quarters, Ootacamund, 21st September 1870, No. 1,288.

FORWARDED by desire of the Commander-in-Chief, with a request that funds
may be made available (Rupees 1,910) to meet the charges incurred on sanitary
grounds for whitewashing the interior of the family quarters of the 1-21st Fusiliers
at Bangalore, consequent on the out-break of cholera in July last.

2 His Excellency fully concurs with the views expressed by Major-General
Borton in paragraph 4 of his letter relative to the Executive Engineer, and observes
that, under G O C C, No 101, dated 17th August 1865, whether the work was
carried out by the soldiers or by hired labour, the charge would have to be met by
the Public Works Department.

From the Officer Commanding Mysore Division, to the Quartermaster General, Head-quarters,
Ootacamund, dated Bangalore, 16th September 1870, No 258

As reported in his letter by Brigadier General Selby to your address, No 231, dated 25th
July 1870, it was found necessary to move a proportion of the families of the 1-21st Fusiliers into
camp on the 24th of that month, in consequence of a slight out-break of cholera at this station

2 The Deputy Inspector-General, British Medical Service, represented that it was, in
his opinion, absolutely necessary that the whole of the interior of the family quarters attached to
the European Infantry Barracks (including the out-offices) should be scraped and whitewashed, as
soon as possible, and in conformity with paragraph 1,326 of the Madras Army Regulations, the
Executive Engineer was called upon to execute this work without delay

3 The work was performed in due course, but the Executive Engineer now reports that the
Superintending Engineer of the division declines to pass the estimate amounting to Rupees 1,910,
on the grounds that it was the duty of the Executive Engineer to represent to the Military autho-
rities that there were no funds available for this work, and to request that a fatigue party might be
told off to execute the same should the service be considered emergently necessary

4 The Superintending Engineer apparently overlooks the fact that the cost of whitewashing
the buildings, whether performed by European or Native labour, would, in all probability, have been
much the same, and I am of opinion that in the case of visitation of cholera when urgent preventative
measures were imperative, the Executive Engineer would have been guilty of a grave error of judg-
ment had he hesitated to carry out the work he was called upon to perform.

5 Under these circumstances I trust that His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief will see
fit to submit the matter for the favourable consideration of Government in view to the expenditure
incurred being sanctioned

6 Letter from the Executive Engineer, No 567, dated 12th instant, and memorandum from
Superintending Engineer, No 129, dated 8th idem, are herewith forwarded for reference in case
they should be required

COMMUNICATED to the Public Works Department in view to funds being made
available for meeting the expenditure incurred.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. MICHAEL, Major,
Offg Dy. Secy to Govt.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
17th October 1870.*

No. 236 From the Acting Superintending Engineer, 5th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Cuddalore, 7th October 1870, No 133.

I HAVE the honour to submit the following statement for the instructions of Government —

1. In a letter, dated 27th August 1870, No 522, the Executive Engineer, Bangalore, forwarded for my sanction an estimate, amounting to Rupees 1,910, for whitewashing the family quarters of the European Infantry Barracks there, prepared at the requisition of the Officer Commanding the division, and approved by him. Captain Wood stated, at the same time, "the cost can be met from the grant for 'Repairs, Military' of the current official year. The work has, on emergency, been put in hand on sanitary grounds"

2. In reply, I informed the Executive Engineer on the 8th September 1870, No 123, that I was at a loss to understand how the cost could be met, as stated, from the grant for "Repairs, Military" in the manner represented, as "the Executive Engineer is well aware that not only are there no funds available for the purpose, but that, with the house-rent recently ordered by Government to be charged to the grant in question, there is a positive deficit of Rupees 4,000, and it was clearly his duty to have represented this fact to the Military authorities in whose competence it was, in the event of their considering the service emergently necessary, to tell off a fatigue party to execute the same."

I also stated that, "under the above-mentioned circumstances, I must decline to take any responsibility for the expenditure incurred by Captain Wood on the work in question."

3 In a letter, dated 16th September 1870, No. 1,849, the Assistant Quarter-master General, Mysore Division, writes, by order of the Major-General Commanding the division, requesting me to bring to the notice of Government the very great inconvenience that arises at Bangalore from the system recently introduced of debiting to Repairs Military the house-rent of Military and Medical subordinates, whereby the amount set down for the repair of Military buildings is mulcted to the extent of Rupees 6,000, and repairs to this amount which, but for this order, would have been carried out, can no longer be set in hand, though urgently needed during the current year, and I am requested to solicit the sanction of Government for the transfer of such funds as may be available under this head from other divisions to Bangalore to make good the deficit above-mentioned.

4 Under these circumstances, and with reference to G O, dated 19th September 1870, No 2,259, intimating that a special application will at once be made to the Government of India for sanction to certain transfers of funds on account of house-rent for Military and Medical subordinates, I have the honour to request authority, in anticipation of such sanction, to pass for execution, estimates for such repairs as may be emergently required at Bangalore.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
17th October 1870.*

No 237. Endorsement of the Acting Superintending Engineer, 5th Division, dated Cuddalore, 7th October 1870, No 134.

From the Controller of Public Works Accounts, to the Superintending Engineer, 5th Division, dated Madras, 30th September 1870, No 860.

ADVERTING to your letter, No 126, dated 18th August 1870, I have the honour to inform you that the Executive Engineer at Bangalore has intimated to this office that no funds are available to meet the charge (119-3-7) for house-rent to Assistant Apothecary T. Conquest

2. The Government having, in their Order, No 2,259, dated 19th September 1870, resolved to apply to the Government of India for authority to supplement, by transfer, the grant for "Repairs, Military" in Bangalore to the extent of Rupees 6,000, I would suggest that a reference be made to Government for permission to discharge the present bill and others of a similar nature that may hereafter be passed, in anticipation of the sanction of the Government of India to the proposed re-appropriation of Budget credits

SUBMITTED for the favourable consideration of Government, with reference to letter No. 133, of the 7th instant, from this office.

(Signed) R A. ROBERTS, Captain, R E.,
Acting Superintending Engineer, 5th Division.

No 238 ORDER THEREON, 17th October 1870, No. 2,482.

ACCOUNT, No. 35.

* G O, No. 2,432, dated 8th October 1870

	RS
1868-69	32,042
1869-70 ... -	34,745
1870-71	37,440

THE Government of India having sanctioned* the transfer of Rupees 6,000 for appropriation to the payment of house-rent at Bangalore, the outlay of Rupees 1,910 on whitewashing the family quarters of the 21st Fusiliers will be met from the ordinary assignment for repairs, which the Superintending Engineer

will observe has been increased during the last two years expressly to cover house-rent claims.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Acting Superintending Engineer, 5th Division.
" Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd E. C Shunker.

No 133

Suptg Engrs Office, 5th Divⁿ
Bangalore, 7th Oct^r 1870.

From.

The Asstg Suptg Engineer,
5th Division.

To.

The Secretary to Government,
D. P. W., Madras.

Sir

I have the honor to submit
the following statement for the
instructions of Government.

1. In a letter dated 27th August
1870, No 522, the Executive Engineer,
Bangalore, forwarded for my
sanction an Estimate amounting
to Rs 1910 for whitewashing
the family Quarters of the European
Infantry Barracks there, prepared
at the requisition of the Officer
Commanding the Division, and
approved by him. Captain Wood
stated at the same time, the cost
can be met from the grant for

Repairs

"Repairs Military of the current
"official year". The work has on-
emergency been put in hand on
"sanitary grounds."

2 In reply, I informed
the Executive Engineer on the 8th
September 1870, No. 123, that I was
at a loss to understand how the
cost could be met, as stated, from
the grant for Repairs Military in
the manner represented, as "the
"Executive Engineer is well aware
"that not only are there no funds
"available for the purpose, but that
"with the House Rent recently
"ordered by Government to be charged
to the grant in question, there is a
"positive deficit of Rs 4,000,
"and it was clearly his duty to have
represented this fact to the Military
"Authorities in whose competence
"it was, in the event of their consider-
"ing the service, emergently necessary,
"to tell off a fatigue party to execute
"the same".—

I also stated that under
the

the above mentioned circumstances,
"I must decline to take any res-
"ponsibility for the expenditure
"incurred by Captain Wood on
"the work in question."

3 In a letter dated 16th Sept.
1870, No. 104, the Assistant Quarter-
Master General, Mysore Division,
writes, by order of the Major General
Commanding the Division, request-
ing me to bring to the notice of
Government the very great incon-
venience that arises at Bangalore
from the system recently intro-
duced of debiting to repairs Military
the House Rent of Military and
Medical subordinates, whereby
the amount set down for the
repair of Military buildings is
reduced to the extent of Rs 6,000,
and repairs to this amount which
but for this order would have been
carried out, can no longer be set
in hand, tho' urgently needed,
during the current year. And I
am requested to solicit the sanction
of

of Government for the transfer
of such funds as may be avail-
-able under this head from other
Divisions to Bangalore to make
good the deficit above mentioned.

4. Under these circumstances,
and with reference to G.O. dated
19th September 1870, No. 2259, re-
-lating that a special application
will at once be made to the Govern-
-ment of India for sanction to
certain transfers of funds on ac-
-count of house rent for Military
and Medical subordinates, I have
the honor to request authority, in
anticipation of such sanction,
to pass for execution estimates for
such repairs as may be emergently
required at Bangalore.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most Obedt Servt.

Wm. Roberts - Capt. R.E.
Actg. Suptg. Engrs 5th Div.

No 236

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M. 1870
No. 403
From
The Supt. Engineer
5th Division

To
The Secretary to Govt.
P. W. Deptt
Madras.

Dated 7th October 1870.
The 2nd No. 133
No. 2482-12th Oct 1870
In reply to the notice,
at the request of the Asst
Quarter Master Genl, Mysore
Division, the necessity for
additional funds required
for emergency repairs to
Military Buildings at
Bangalore, & applying for
authority to pass for execution
estimates for such emergency
repairs, & anticipation of
sanction of Govt of India to
the proposed transfer of
Rs 6000.

Office of the Controller
of P. W. Accounts,
Madras, 30th September
1870.
No. 860.

From
The Controller of P. W. Accounts

To,
The Superintending Engineer
of the 5th Division.

Sir,
Adverting to your letter
No. 126, dated 18th August 1870,
I have the honor to inform you
that the Executive Engineer at
Bangalore has intimated to
this office that no funds are avail-
able to meet the charge 119-3-7/
for house rent to Assistant
Apothecary J. Conquest.

The Government having
in their order No. 2259, dated 19th
September 1870, resolved to apply
to the Government of India for
authority to supplement, by
transfer

transfer the grant for "Repairs-
Military" in Bangalore to the
extent of Rupees 6000, I would
suggest that a reference be
made to Government for
permission to discharge the
present Bill, and others of a
similar nature that may
hereafter be passed, in anticipa-
tion of the sanction of the
Government of India to the
proposed reappropriation of
budget credits.

Shave &c.
Signed S. Brock
Controller of P.W. Works
No. 134.

Submitted for the favorable
consideration of Government with
reference to letter No. 133 of the 7th instant
from this office.

Adj. Quarter Master General
Actg. Supt. Engrs, 5th Div.
Supt. Engrs office,
5th Division,
Bangalore, 7th Oct. 1870.

No. 2452 P. N. D. 124

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Military Department,
29th September 1870.

Read the following papers:—

No. 530. Memorandum from the Officiating Quarter Master General, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department; dated Head Quarters, Ootacamund, 21st September 1870, No. 1288.

Forwarded by desire of the Commander-in-Chief, with a request that funds may be made available (Rupees 1,910) to meet the charges incurred on sanitary grounds for white-washing the interior of the family quarters of the 1-21st Fusiliers at Bangalore, consequent on the out-break of cholera in July last.

2. His Excellency fully concurs with the views expressed by Major-General Borton in paragraph 4 of his letter, relative to the Executive Engineer, and observes that, under G. O. C. C., No. 101, dated 17th August 1865, whether the work was carried out by the soldiers or by hired labor, the charge would have to be met by the Public Works Department.

From the Officer Commanding Mysore Division, to the Quarter Master General, Head Quarters, Ootacamund; dated Bangalore, 16th September 1870, No. 258.

As reported in his letter by Brigadier General Selby, to your address, No. 231, dated 25th July 1870, it was found necessary to move a proportion of the families of the 1-21st Fusiliers into camp on the 24th of that month, in consequence of a slight out-break of cholera at this station.

3. The Deputy Inspector General, British Medical Service, represented that it was in his opinion absolutely necessary that the whole of the interiors of the family quarters attached to the European Infantry Barracks (including the out offices) should be scraped and white-washed as soon as possible, and in conformity with paragraph 1326 of the Madras Army Regulations, the Executive Engineer was called upon to execute this work without delay.

4. The work was performed in due course, but the Executive Engineer now reports that the Superintending Engineer or the Division declines to pass the estimate amounting to Rupees 1,910, on the grounds that it was the duty of the Executive Engineer to represent to the Military authorities that there were no funds available for this work, and to request that a fatigue party might be told off to execute the same should the service be considered emergently necessary.

5. The Superintending Engineer apparently overlooks the fact that the cost of white-washing the buildings whether performed by European or Native labor, would in all probability have been much the same, and I am of opinion that in the case of visitation of cholera when urgent preventative measures were imperative, the Executive Engineer would have been guilty of a grave error of judgment had he hesitated to carry out the work he was called upon to perform.

6. Under these circumstances, I trust that His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief will see fit to submit the matter for the favorable consideration of Government, in view to the expenditure incurred being sanctioned.

7. Letter from the Executive Engineer, No. 567, dated 12th instant, and memorandum from Superintending Engineer, No. 129, dated 8th idem, are herewith forwarded for reference in case they should be required.

No. 531. ORDER THEREON, 29th September 1870, No. 2790.
Communicated to the Public Works Department, in view to funds being made available for meeting the expenditure incurred.

(True Extract.)

J. Michael.

Major,

Offg. Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Public Works Department. Sent 20th Oct. 1870.
" Quarter Master General, with two enclosures.
Ed. J. E. Cashart.

No 2452 P. N. D 174
 Proceedings of the Madras Government.

Read the following
 Pro. of the Madras Govt. } (H. E. No. 2790 of 27th Sept)
 5th Sept

The Sup^r Engineer } (H. E. No. 133 of 7th Oct)
 5th Oct

Do Do (H. E. No. 134 of 20th -)

No. 3432 of 5th Oct 1900.

The Government of
 India having sanctioned
 the transfer of Rs 6,000 for
 appropriation to the pay-
 ment of House rent at
 Bangalore, the outlay of
 Rs 1710 on whitewashing
 the Family Quarters
 of the 31st Fusiliers will
 be met from the ordinary
 assignment for repairs,
 which the Sup^r Engineer
 will arrange has been
 increased during the
 last.

1868/9 - 32,042.
 1869/70 - 34,425.
 1870/71 - 37,240.

Public Works 1870-71
 Govt. of 1870-71
 1870-71
 MILITARY

To
 283932

THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
 Ac, &c, &c

Dated September, 29th
 Recd *Certified* }
 5th Oct

G. O., 29th September 1870, No 2790

SEPTEMBER.
 Nos. 530-531.

Communicating memorandum from the Quarter
 Master General, requesting that funds may be made
 available to meet the expenditure incurred in
 scraping and white-washing the interiors of family
 quarters, attached to the European Infantry
 Barracks at Bangalore.

No 2452-17th Oct 1900

2452

last two years expressly
to cover House rent claims.

W. B.

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The sup^r 648^{rs} 5th Du. ✓
Controller P. Dr. Reck ✓

Dec/18/10

W. B.

last five years

No. 3932, 4000, 4005

Gobt. of {1870} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

1. The Superintending Engr^r
5th Division

Dated

Recd

17th October No 2482

Nos. 205 @ 208

Family Quarters - Directing the
Inspector of the 5th Divⁿ to meet the
outlay of Rs 1910 incurred on
whitewashing the Family
Quarters & the 21st Facilities at
Bangalore from the ordinary
allowment for repairs.