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No. 61. Read the following letter from the Officiating Quarter Master General, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated head-quarters, Bangalore, 4th October 1870, No. 4,534 :—

In the orders of Government as per margin, Government declined to sanction any expenditure on the barracks at the Depôt at Poonamallee, pending the final disposal of the question as to the erection of a sanitarium at Ennore.

No. 2,352, Military Department, dated 16th June 1868.
No. 2,062, dated 30th June 1868, Public Works Department.

2. In the Budget Estimate for 1870-71 an application was entered for Rupees 50,000 to be allotted for this sanitarium, but from the paucity of funds it could not be granted.

3. With the number of important buildings still required for the troops, it appears to His Excellency that it may be some years before funds could be made available for this building, and therefore I am instructed to request that the question of improving the depôt buildings at Poonamallee may be again submitted for the consideration of Government.

4. In the subjoined extract from the last annual Sanitary Inspection Report on the Poonamallee Barracks, the Deputy Inspector-General of Hospitals, British Medical Service, urges the expediency of rendering these buildings more comfortable than they are at present.

“ My only reason for offering the suggestions
“ I have now done is that there is a rumour
“ that the estimate for the Ennore Depôt has
“ been removed from this year's Budget, and
“ if this is the case, I respectfully submit
“ that the roof ventilation, which was suddenly
“ put a stop to, should now be completed, and
“ the latrines, etc., should be put in a more
“ satisfactory state than they are at present
“ if this is to be continued as the Invalid
“ Depôt for this Presidency. It should be
“ borne in mind that this is a station where
“ invalids and sick and weakly men are sent
“ to that require change, and I am of opinion
“ their quarters and out-buildings, etc., etc.,
“ should be even more comfortable than those
“ for healthy soldiers, which is certainly not
“ the case in any one respect at Poonamallee.”

5. Poonamallee being a depôt for sick soldiers, the Commander-in-Chief considers it absolutely necessary that steps should be taken without delay to place the barracks and hospital at that station nearer on a par with what is now considered essential in such buildings for European troops, and would recommend that the sanction of Government may be accorded for carrying out the works entered in the enclosed statement roughly estimated at Rupees 9,765.

6. As all the buildings are provided with venetian windows the outer batten should be entirely removed, as recommended by the Superintending Engineer.

TRANSFERRED to the Public Works Department, with the remark that the Government, in the Military Department, concur with His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief in considering it necessary that the works in question should be carried out as soon as funds are available.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
24th October 1870.

(Signed) J. MICHAEL, Major,
Officiating Deputy Secy. to Govt., Mily. Dept.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
3rd November 1870.

No. 62. ORDER THEREON, 3rd November 1870, No. 2,633.

MILITARY WORKS, No. 3.

COMMUNICATED to the Superintending Engineer of the 4th Division, who will submit plans and estimates for the proposed improvements to the barracks and hospital at Poonamallee, and, on their receipt, the Government will take into consideration the question of providing the requisite funds by transfer.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division.
" Military Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Statement showing the entire cost of the improvements suggested for the
Barracks & Hospital at Poonamallee.

Names of Works

Approximate
Amount
of Estimate

Remarks

Original Works

Reconstruction of the Barracks	500	
to Hospital	1200	
Supplying information Board to Dr.	3800	
Constructing Dr. & the Barracks at	265	
Covered passage to the proposed Barracks	2700	
Removal of water from the Barracks	1300	
Total Expenses	9765	

Submitted with letter from this Office No. 1323 of 16th March 1869.

Cost of removal will be more than covered by the sale of the materials.

Attest Range Officer
23rd August 1870-

Attest Range Officer
Capt. P. R. S.
Col. Engineer-in-Chief

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Ch 2352 h. d. dated
16 June 1868.
No 2062 dated 30th
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mitted for the consideration of Government.

4. In the subjoined Extract from the last Annual Sanitary Inspection Report on the Poona Mallee Barracks the Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals in British Medical Service urges the expediency of rendering these Buildings more comfortable than they are at present.

5. Ponnammallee being a Depot for sick Soldiers, the Commander in Chief considers it absolutely necessary that steps should be taken without delay to place the Barracks and Hospital at that station nearer on a par with what is now considered essential in such buildings for European Troops, and would recommend that the sanction of Government may be accorded for carrying out the works entered in the enclosed statement roughly

~~Estimated~~

Estimated at Paper 9765.

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I have the honor to be

Open about 1000 ft.

Colonel
to the General

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 From.

The Quarter Master Genl. (H.E. No. 45347 4th Oct 70)
 through the Military Dept.

Communicated to
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The Sup Engr. Lt. Genl.
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Chief Quarter Master Genl.
 21st October 1870.

Forwarded to the
 Public Works Department
 with the request that the
 Government with the Military
 Department consult with
 the Civil Engineering
 Department in
 considering it necessary
 that the works in question
 should be carried out
 with dispatch.

Chief Quarter Master Genl.
 21st October 1870.

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PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Superintending Engineer
H. P. P. P. P.

Dated

Recd.

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G. O. 3rd Nov. 1870. No. 2633.

Nos. 61 & 62

Barracks & Hospital at Ponnammallee. Letter from the S. G. E.
The General Committee re-
garding that the improve-
ments to the Barracks and
Hospital at Ponnammallee
may be carried out at
an early date, Com^d D. P. P.
& D. P. P. with instructions.