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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
8th June 1871.*

No. 119. Read the following Circular from the Assistant Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Buildings and Roads—Military,) to the Governments of Madras, Bombay, Bengal, the North Western Provinces, and the Punjab in the Public Works Department; the Chief Commissioners of Oudh, Central Provinces, and British Burmah; the Resident at Hyderabad; the Agents of the Governor-General for Central India and Rajpootana, and the Superintendent, Port Blair, dated Simla, 4th May 1871, No. 16 P. W. :—

IN continuation of Public Works Department Circular No. 26, of 21st May 1870, I am directed to state that the Government of India desires that the necessary alterations should be made for rendering movable the seats of existing privies of British troops, but notices very great discrepancies in the sums required for the purpose at various places, as shown by the estimates that have been received from Local Governments and Administrations: I am therefore to suggest a careful revision of the mode of carrying out the desired end.

2. Copy of a letter from the Sanitary Commissioner to the Government of India, No. 153, of 8th April 1871, is forwarded for information.

From the Sanitary Commissioner with the Government of India, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, dated Simla, 8th April 1871, No. 153.

IN returning the enclosures of your No. 215 B—M, dated the 4th ultimo, regarding the proposals for rendering the seats of existing privies of British troops movable, in accordance with the recommendation of the Right Honourable the Commander-in-Chief, I have the honour to state that, in my opinion, wherever stone is easily procurable, the plan recommended by the Sanitary Commission of Bombay seems to be the best adapted for the purpose. This plan provides for a movable plank seat on masonry supports, the upper surface of these being formed of a cut-stone slab notched on the inner edge for the reception of the plank seat.

2. In many places, however, stone is not to be had, and even where it can be really procured the adoption of the Bombay plan in latrines which have been already constructed may probably involve considerable labour and expense. In ordinary circumstances it would be sufficient to cut the planking of the seat at each side where it meets the partitions, to strengthen it with battens underneath, and to fix burgahs on the partitions on which the seat may rest.

3. As, however, the latrines have not all been built on the same plan, it is not easy to frame a design which shall be well adapted for them all. In a sanitary point of view all that is necessary is, to adopt some arrangement by which the seats may be readily removed so that they may be washed; when in position they should be steady and not allowed to tilt or slide forward, and in order to ensure these ends in existing latrines the plan suggested by the Chief Engineer of the North Western Provinces of fixing to these partitions blocks of wood under which the seats can slide, appears to be the simplest and most effectual.

4. The Executive Engineer at Barrackpore proposes to fasten the seats by means of hinges, but this would entail the employment of a carpenter every time they were removed, and would probably defeat the object in view.

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8th June 1871.

No. 120.

ORDER THEREON, 8th June 1871, No. 1,544.

MILITARY WORKS, No. 5.

COMMUNICATED to the Superintending Engineers for information and guidance in continuation of G. O., No. 1,580, dated 1st July 1870.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Military Department.
To Superintending Engineers.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

CIRCULAR No. 16 PUBLIC WORKS.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

BUILDINGS & ROADS.

Military.

THE GOVERNMENTS OF MADRAS, BOMBAY, BENGAL, THE NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCES, AND THE PUNJAB IN THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT; THE CHIEF COMMISSIONERS OF OUDH, CENTRAL PROVINCES, AND BRITISH BURMAH; THE RESIDENT AT HYDERABAD; THE AGENTS OF THE GOVERNOR GENERAL FOR CENTRAL INDIA AND RAJPOOTANA, AND THE SUPERINTENDENT, PORT-BLAIR.

SIMLA, MAY 4, 1871.

SIR,

In continuation of Public Works Department Circular No. 26 21st May 1870, I am directed to state that the Government of India desires that the necessary alterations should be made for rendering moveable seats of existing privies of British troops, but notices very great discrepancies in the sums required for the purpose at various places, as shown by estimates that have been received from Local Governments and Administrations: I am therefore to suggest a careful revision of the mode of carrying out the desired end.

2. Copy of a letter from the Sanitary Commissioner to the Government of India, No. 153 of 8th April 1871, is forwarded for information.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

N. L. S. R. R. Captain, R.E.,

Asstt. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

*Secretary to the Govt. of Madras
in the Public Works Dept.*

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
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To
THE GOVERNMENTS OF MADRAS, BOMBAY, THE
NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCES, AND THE PUN-
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THE CHIEF COMMISSIONERS OF OUDH, CEN-
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INDIA AND RAJPOOTANA, AND THE SUPERIN-
TENDENT, PORT BLAIR.

CIRCULAR No. 16 PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated Simla, 4th May 1871.

Received 19th May/71.

Alterations for rendering moreable the seats of
Princes of British Troops.

1871-8th June/71

For Ld. George
Richards
13th July 1871
A. H. H. H.

Recd 9/6/71

H. N.

I enclose in continuation of No. 16. In. No. 1570 of 11 July 1870.

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To the Military Department

Date

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