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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

public works.

DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 26 2..	Press / Mis.
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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 19th October 1871.

No. 297. Read the following letter from the Consulting Architect to Government, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 30th September 1871, No. 213 :—

I HAVE the honour to transmit to you a copy of a letter from Colonel C. V. Wilkieson, Superintending Engineer, 4th Division, dated the 22nd instant, regarding the quantities of work in the new Telegraph Office. G. O., No. 1,526, dated the 6th June 1871, referred the plans to the Superintending Engineer for the preparation of an estimate. I would beg leave to point out to you that, in buildings of this kind, it is very necessary that accurate quantities should be arrived at or the estimate will eventually be exceeded, and that no one is so competent to compute these as the designer, who is of necessity acquainted with every intended detail; the subordinates of the department, to whom such work is usually given, are quite incompetent, in my opinion, to arrive at accurate results in buildings of this kind, and I would solicit permission to perform this work myself. I address you on the subject because such duties, added to my current work, will necessarily delay for a short time the submission of other schemes called for.

No. 298. ORDER THEREON, 19th October 1871, No. 2,652.

TELEGRAPH, No. 6.

APPROVED, and on the completion of the estimate it will be referred to the Superintending Engineer of the division for report on the rates before the orders of Government are taken on it.

(True Extract.)

Captain, R.E.,
Offg. Joint Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Architect.
" Superintending Engineer, 4th Division.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

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No 2619

Supty Engr Offie 4th Division
Madras 22d September 1871.

From

Colonel C. O. Wilkinson R.E.
Supty Engineer 4th Division

To

R. T. Thiselton Esqr
Consltg Archit.t to Govert

Sir

In reply to your letter No 211 dated 12th September 1871 I have the honor to say, that I shall be very glad to make the estimate for the Telegraph Offie if You can help me by taking out the quantities as without them it will be hardly possible to make an estimate from the plans furnished and information given sufficiently accurate.

Again detail of the Stone work and ornamentation is required. The site not being known, or the nature of the ground, it is almost impossible to make an estimate for a proper foundation. If it is I suppose in the 1st line beach the foundations for such a heavy building will have to be made very carefully as the soil is mostly made I believe of sand.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedient Servant

(Signed) G. T. Wilkinson Col. R.E.

Supt'g Engineer 4th Div.

True Copy

G. T. Wilkinson

Consulting Architect to Govert.

No. 213

Consulting Architect's Office

Madras 30 Sept. 1871.

From

R. F. Chisholm Esqr. F.R.I.B.A.

Consulting Architect to Government

To

Colonel J. Carpendale R.E.

Secretary to Government P.W.D.

Sir

I have the honor to transmit to you a Copy of a letter from Colonel G. T. Wilkinson superintending Engineer 4th Division dated the 22d Instant regarding the quantities of work in the new Telegraph Office P.O. No. 526 dated the 6th June '71; refered the plans to the Supt'g Engineer for the preparation of an Estimate. I would beg leave to point out to you that in buildings of this kind it is very necessary that accurate quantities should be arrived at or the Estimate will eventually be exceeded, & that no one is so competent to compute these as the designer, who is of necessity acquainted with every intricate detail, the subordinates of the Department to whom such work is usually given, are quite incompetent in my opinion to arrive at accurate results in buildings of this kind, and I would solicit permission to perform this work myself. I address you on the subject because such duties addr

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to my Current work will necessarily delay for a short time the submission of other schemes called for.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant.

C. H. Cockerell
Consulting Architect to Government.

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Dept: PWD 1871

No. 4673

From The Consulting Architect to Govt:

Dated 30th Septr 1871
Rec'd: 2nd Octr

Encl: No. 213

Requesting permission to employ himself in computing the quantities in the estimates for the new Telegraph Office.

With an Order

Approved, and on the completion of the Estimate it will be referred to the Chief Engr: of the Dept: in the usual form.

for Secretary to the Government of India
Public Works Dept:

2nd Oct 1871

Recd 6th Oct 1871

Ordered that Mr Cockerell be informed that the Government of India does not consider it necessary to call for other designs for the Telegraph Office, and that he is requested to proceed with the preparation of his design.

by Order

C - No - 4673.

Govt. of 1871 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Executive Engineer

Dated. Ind. 1

Recd.

G. O. 19 Revenue 1871, No. 2652.

Nos. 1978 1978

Chief Telegraph Office
Madras - Give
Executive Engineer
Permitted to prepare
the Estimate