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G.O. No. 277-278	2955	Press / Mis.
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No. 277. Read the following letter from the Consulting Architect to Government, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 18th November 1872, No. 186:—

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of G. O., No. 84, dated the 12th November 1872, directing me to prepare plans for converting the old Palace at Trichinopoly into Courts of Law.

2. In order to prepare these plans it is necessary that I should possess accurate plans and sections of the buildings as they exist. On my way to Madura I took the opportunity of seeing Captain Hasted and Captain Brockman, and learnt from these gentlemen that they could render me no assistance, as all the men under them capable of doing the work were fully engaged.

3. On a former occasion I wrote to the Superintending and Executive Engineers for plans of the Combaconum College. They were too busy to comply with my request and I proceeded to Combaconum and made measurements for myself. This work only occupied five or six days; but the measurements I require in Trichinopoly would probably take me three weeks to obtain. As this kind of work can be done equally well by men drawing much less pay, I think it right to bring the subject to the notice of Government and to solicit orders.

No. 278. ORDER THEREON, 13th December 1872, No. 2,955.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 22.

IT is observed that the Office Establishment of the Consulting Architect previous to the reorganization of the Public Works Department included a first-class Draughtsman on Rupees 60 a month, but that he has not been entertained by Mr. Chisholm for sometime past. This establishment will be greatly strengthened from the 1st December, as shown in the following comparative statement:—

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2 Do. at 20	40	45
1 Estimator	...	90
1 Clerk	30	50
2 Peons at 6	12	14
1 Do.	...	6
Maistry	30	...
Total...	172	270

2. Under these circumstances it is not reasonable that Superintending or Executive Engineers should be called upon to carry out work for which the Consulting Architect has agency available if he will only entertain it. District Engineers or Range Officers can exercise a general supervision only over any member of Mr. Chisholm's Establishment whom he may detach to their head-quarters for special duty.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
13th December 1872.

3. Should Mr. Chisholm not have been consulted about the revision of his establishment, he is at liberty to suggest any alteration of its details that will, in his opinion, increase its efficiency without further adding to its cost.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Architect.

Public Works Department

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To The Commanding Architect

Dated

Recd. Encl.

P. G. O. 13th Dec. 1872. No. 2955.

Nos. 297 & 298

Rebablishment. Papers

Orders on letter from the Engr. Architect bringing his Estimate for difficulty in obtaining measurements of certain buildings for the preparation of plans & Estimates & orders thereon to the Subject.