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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 9th December 1873.

No. 176c. Read the following letter from Colonel F. J. MOBERLY, R.E., District Engineer, Chingleput, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Guindy, 22nd November 1873, No. 2,261:—

I HAVE the honour to enclose an estimate for a lightning conductor, which it appears to me should be placed on Guindy Government House. The original plan for a flagstaff, forwarded to me by the Range Officer provided for a wooden mast, but this was not easily procurable and the cost was heavy. I therefore changed the design and entered telegraph posts in the plans submitted and sanctioned in G. O., No. 1,956, dated 6th August 1873.

2. It has however lately occurred to me that so considerable a metal surface at a height so much above all other trees, etc., is very likely to receive, or even attract, lightning from any passing cloud, and as the flagstaff is fixed on so bad a conductor as the masonry roof will cause a serious accident.

3. I propose therefore attaching to its base a zinc pipe, and carrying it down the wall, terminate it in a mass of old iron which can be supplied from the rubbish at the Mount. I am not clear as to the necessity of the construction, but as the cost of security is so small, I would urge its immediate sanction and a grant of funds. I have Rupees 28 available under Civil Buildings, Provincial.

No. 176D. ORDER THEREON, 9th December 1873, No. 2,976B.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 15A.

HIS Excellency the Governor in Council is of opinion that the Mount Range Officer's original proposal of a wooden flagstaff had better be reverted to as obviating all risk. He observes that the original plan and estimate sanctioned on 6th August should have been accompanied by a specification of the work.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Chingleput.
,, Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts.
,, Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor.
,, Inspecting Engineer for Buildings.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

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CHINGLEPUT DISTRICT ENGINEER'S OFFICE,

No. 2261 Guindy 22 November 1873.

From

THE DISTRICT ENGINEER,

Chingleput.

To

Colonel G. W. Walker R. E.
Secretary to Government P. W. Dept.

SIR,

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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Sv.
F. Chesney Col. R.E.
District Engineer

P.W./1873 Sept.

From No. 6379

The District Engr.
Chinglepute

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

Dated 22d
Recd 24 } Novr/73.

No. 2261
Encl 2.

Encloses an estimate
Rs40 for providing a
lightning Conductor
to the Flag Staff at
Guindy Park & requests
its immediate sanction.

With an Order.

C. D
No. 176. 176
in Dec/73.

No. 413

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Gen.

Plan & Estn rets to Engrs
28
8/1874.

To
DE Chinglepute
Copy to Mr.
Private Secy to HE the Gov.

Mr. S. desp. pkt to DE Engr.
& Private Secy 9/12/73.
P.C. desp. to date 12/2/74.

No. 6379

Govt. of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

From District Engr.
Chingleput

Dated
Recd. Encl

9 Dec 1873. 2976

Nos. 176 & 176 a

Flag staff at Guindy.

Passing orders on letter from the D.E. Chingleput, submitting an Estimate for a Flag staff at Guindy.

Retd. 7/2/74.