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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
12th June 1874.*

No. 206. Read the following letter from R. F. CHISHOLM, Esq., Consulting Architect to Government, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Royapettah, 11th May 1874, No. 52 :—

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Order No. 1,057, dated the 24th ultimo.

With reference to the second paragraph in letter No. 145 B. C., from the Secretary to the Government of India, dated the 24th March, I beg to explain that the anticipated increase of cost in the provision of the combined building, as compared with the amounts originally contemplated to be expended for the separate offices, is due entirely to the increased accommodation. Chiefly because all out-buildings are provided for in the plan of the combined offices, and, partly, because the actual office accommodation has been enlarged.

In the various designs the areas of enclosed space, exclusive of verandahs, are as follow :—

Telegraph Office.

Plan of separate building, shows an enclosed area of superficial feet ... 20,901
Plan of combined design, an area of superficial feet 31,303

Post Office.

Plan of separate building, shows an area of superficial feet 16,783
Plan of combined design, an area of superficial feet 31,894

combining these figures we have the two separate buildings containing an area of 37,684 superficial feet, involving an estimated cost of Rupees 2,87,119, while the combined building containing an area of 63,197 involves an estimated cost of Rupees 5,50,000. If we roughly cast these figures into a Rule of Three sum, we have 37,684 : 2,87,119 :: 63,197 : 4,81,506 rupees, these figures sufficiently explain the cause of the excess.

2. I would beg respectfully to point out that the approximate estimate will not vary by more than 5 per cent. from the detailed estimate, and that it is impossible to give a closer approximation without making out detailed drawings. If my sketch plans are approved of I can furnish a detailed estimate and plans within six weeks from the receipt of the order.

No. 207. ORDER THEREON, 12th June 1874, No. 1,543.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 16.

ORDERED that this letter be forwarded to the Government of India with reference to their letter dated 24th March 1874, No. 145 B.C.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

No. 208.

(DOCKET No. 1,544, dated 12th June 1874.)

COPY of the above forwarded to the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

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From No: 2837
The House of Commons
to Government

To the Secretary to Govt.
Public Works D.

Dated 11th May 1874
Received 13th — —

No. 52.
Enclosure
Subject

New Telegraph
Office and Post
Office.

With order

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Order that the letter be forwarded
to the inst. of Public Works with reference to the letter
dated 24 March 1874, of 145 P.C.
Recd 15447.

To the Secy of Public Works
at the inst. of 12/13/1874

Copy of the above forwarded to the
inst. of Public Works

at the inst. of 12/13/1874

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detailed drawings, he forwarded Govt. of 1874 Madras.
to the Govt. of India.

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12 June 1874 No 1543
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No. 206208

Submitting a letter from the
Eng. Architect regarding the
anticipated increase of cost
in the provision of the Combined
Post and Telegraph Office at
Madras and pointing out the
impossibility of having an ap-
proximate estimate of the
cost prepared without making
out detailed drawings.

Post & Telegraph Office at Madras
Ordered that the letter from the
Eng. Architect regarding the antici-
pated increase of cost in the pro-
vision of the Combined Post and
Telegraph Office at Madras, and
pointing out the impossibility of having
an approximate estimate of the cost
prepared without making out