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Public works DEPARTMENT

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14th July 1874.*

No. 257. Read the following letter from Major C. H. LUARD, R.E., Officiating Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Civil Works—Buildings,) to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Fort William, 16th June 1874, No. 261 B. :—

In continuation of letter No. 145 B. C., of the 24th March last, I am directed to transmit copies of the communications marginally noted, from the Directors General of Post Offices and Telegraphs relative to the design proposed for the combined Post and

1. Letter from Director General of Post Offices, No. 464 of the 22nd April 1874.
2. Do. from Director General of Telegraphs, No. 109 of 11th June 1874, two tracings (in original) submitted therewith.

Telegraph Office at Madras, and to request that the required plans and estimate for the building may now be speedily prepared and submitted for sanction, accompanied by the explanation called for of the causes of the increased expense involved in the provision of the combined structure, as compared with the expenditure originally contemplated for the separate buildings.

2. The plans received under your endorsement, No. 2,306 of 17th September, and Acting Under Secretary's No. 6 of 23rd April (five in number) are returned herewith.

From F. R. HOGG, Esq., Officiating Director General of the Post Office of India, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, dated Calcutta, 22nd April 1874, No. 464.

In reply to your endorsement No. 147 B. C., dated 24th March, I have the honor to state that the plans proposed for the combined Post and Telegraph Office at Madras suit the requirements of this department, so far as the Post Office portion of the design is concerned.

2. The space allotted as private quarters for the Postmaster provides accommodation somewhat in excess of actual requirements; one bed-room and the writing-room might be omitted, but this omission would not, I fear, result in a reduction of the estimate as the rooms must be built to preserve the harmony of the design.

From the Director General of Telegraphs in India, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, dated 11th June 1874, No. 109.

In returning the two sets of plans of the proposed Telegraph Office building at Madras, received with your letters marginally noted, I have the honor to state that the distribution of accommodation shown in the later design is

No. 146 B. C., dated 24th March 1874.
" 209 B. C., " 4th May "

suitable, and has Colonel Robinson's approval with the following exceptions :—

2. *Ground floor.*—He would propose to dispense with the staircase shown in the centre of the southern tower, and to allot the room so formed with the one adjoining to the Eastern Extension Australasia and China Telegraph Company (Limited) for Battery and store purpose. The staircase in question does not seem to be in any way necessary. It appears undesirable that the public hall should be blocked up by the two small Postal Department tiffin-rooms shown in the plan. I observe a large unallotted room in the north-west corner of the building which might perhaps be utilized for this purpose.

3. *First floor.*—He has found it necessary to re-arrange the distribution of space on this storey, in view to according a more favorable position to the Cable Company's Offices, and to allot-

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ting them a room for clerks, which was provided for in the old plans, and is required. An extra room is gained by dispensing with the staircase (above alluded to) in the southern tower.

A tracing showing the alterations suggested in this portion of the building is annexed.

4. *Second floor.*—No changes appear called for in the proposed allotment of accommodation on this storey.

No. 258.

ORDER THEREON, 14th July 1874, No. 1,889.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 18.

COMMUNICATED to the Consulting Architect who will expedite the submission of the revised plan and estimate now called for.

2. Mr. Chisholm's letter of 11th May, No. 52, was communicated to the Government of India with docket No. 1,544 of 12th June 1874.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Architect, with Enclosures.

In No. 464.
From
J. R. - Hogg Esquire,
Offg. Director General of the Post Office
of India
To
The Secretary to Government of India
Public Works Department

Calcutta 22nd April 1874.

Sir,

In reply to your endorsement No. 1147 B.L. dated 24th March, I have the honor to state that the plans proposed for the combined Post and Telegraph Office at Madras suit the requirements of this department, so far as the Post Office portion of the design is concerned.

2 The space allotted as private quarters for the Post Master provides accommodation somewhat in excess of actual requirements one bed room and the writing room might be omitted, but this omission would not I fear result in

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rooms must be built to preserve the
harmony of the design.

(Sd/ J. R. Hogg)

Offg Director General of the
Public Works Department

21. 2/4 July 1874
Sd/ W. 3885/74

N^o 109. 21/11 June 1874

The Director General of Telegraphs in India

The Secretary to the Govt of India
Public Works Department

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3 First Floor. He has found it necessary to rearrange the distribution of space on this storey in view to according a more favorable position to the Cable Company's offices and to allotting them a room for clerks which was provided for in the old plans and is required. An extra room is gained by dispensing with the staircase (above alluded to) in the southern tower.

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N. 261 B.

Government of India

Public Works Department

Civil Works

Buildings

To
The Secy to the Government of Madras
Public Works Department

Fort William 16th June 1874.

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In continuation of letter N. 114

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expenditure originally contemplated for the
separate buildings.

The plans received under your
endorsement No. 2306 of 17th September and
Acting Under Secretary's No. 6 of 23rd April
(B. no number) are returned herewith.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most Obedt. Servant

W. David

Mayor R.C.

Offg. Under Secy. to the Govt of India

P. W. 1874 Depart.
No 3885.

To.

The Govt. of India.

Dated 16th } June 1874.
Recd 26th }
Encl. 5 of No 264. B.

Forwarding
copy of correspondence
regarding the design
proposed for the
combined Post and
Telegraph office at
Madras, & requesting
the early submission
of the plan & estimate
for the building.

With Orders

1869 Communicated to the Council

Respectful notice will be given to the submission
of the revised plan and estimate now called for.
The Government's letter of 11th May
No 52, was communicated with a copy of the
with date 15th of 18th June 1874.

Wm. J. S.

Cons. Architect
17, Colindale Ave., N. W. 1874.

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PUBLIC WORKS.

To

The Eng. Arch.
Dept.

Dated

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