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Read the following papers:—

No. 542. Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Financial Department, dated 18th July 1874, No. 1,197.

Read the following papers:—

From Colonel C. H. DICKENS, R.A., Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Account-General,) to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Fort William, 12th June 1874, No. 429 A.—G.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, dated 15th May 1874, intimating that it is hoped that the Government of India will reconsider the orders disallowing the grant from Imperial funds for the construction of a District Engineer's Office at Bangalore, since the District Engineer does no work for Provincial Services.

2. In reply, I am to state that previous to the introduction of the Provincial Fund System, the outlay on buildings for the Public Works Department was classed as Civil Buildings, and was met from the "Other Services" grant, whether the divisions for which those buildings were wanted were divisions executing military works or civil works. When the calculations on which the Provincial grant was based were made, the outlay on buildings for Public Works, whether in military or other divisions, was not retained as Military, but was made over to Provincial Services.

3. This being the case, it is obvious that all outlay on Public Works Buildings must be met from the Provincial and not from the Imperial grant. The Government of India are therefore, I am to state, unable to accede to the proposal to treat the cost of the work in question as an Imperial charge.

REFERRED, with previous correspondence, to the Financial Department, for such further action as may be considered necessary.

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Colonel, R.E.,

23rd June 1874.

Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

From Captain H. M. VIBART, R.E., District Engineer, Bangalore, to Major A. DEC. SCOTT, R.E., Under Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Bangalore, 6th July 1874, No. 65.

With reference to your Memorandum, No. 483, dated 2nd July 1874, I have the honor to state that repairs to old Engineer's office and yard have been charged to "Repairs Military."

THE Governor in Council is unable, in the Financial Department, to allot funds from the Provincial assignment for buildings required in territories exclusively under the control of the Government of India.

2. The erection of a new office for the District Engineer at Bangalore, in the Province of Mysore, at an outlay of Rupees 6,000, was never contemplated

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21st August 1874.*

"when the calculations on which the Provincial grant was based were made," and as the calculations were based on the reduced estimates of this Presidency for the year 1871, this Government is unable now to undertake any fresh obligations.

3. The repairs of the existing office have, it is observed, been charged to "Repairs Military," and not to Civil Buildings.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) A. deC. SCOTT, Major, R.E.,
Under Secretary to Government, P.W.D.,
for Acting Chief Secretary.

No. 543. From Captain H. M. VIBART, R.E., District Engineer, Bangalore, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Bangalore, 23rd July 1874, No. 83.

With reference to G. O., No. 1,919, dated 16th July 1874, transferring the allotment of Rupees 6,000 for the District Engineer's Office to "Reserve Military," I have the honor to inform you that a sum of Rupees 695-8-2 has been expended up to the end of May last.

2. I therefore request you will be so good as to inform me under what head this sum should be charged.

No. 544. ORDER THEREON, 21st August 1874, No. 2,370.

ACCOUNT, No. 39.

ORDERED that the following letter
be sent:—

(Here enter No. 2,371, dated 21st August 1874.)

(True Extract.)

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

Exd. S. T. Austin.
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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
OOTACAMUND, 21st August 1874.

No. 545.

No. 2,371.

FROM

COLONEL G. W. WALKER, R.E.,
Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Public Works Department,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
Public Works Department.

ACCOUNT, No. 40.

SIR,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th June 1874, No. 429-A. G., and to

state that it has been ascertained by reference to the District Engineer of Bangalore that the outlay on his office has never been classed under the head of "Civil Buildings," but always under "Military," so far as records are extant. Admitting that Civil Buildings might have been the proper heading to which the charge should have been debited, I am instructed to represent that in the calculations on which the Provincial grants were made, outlay on Civil Buildings required in territories exclusively under the control of the Government of India was never contemplated by the Financial Department. Those calculations, moreover, were based on the reduced estimates of this Presidency for the year 1871, and this Government, I am instructed to say, are quite unable to undertake any fresh obligations.

2. The new office at Bangalore had already been commenced in anticipation of orders on the Budget, which were not communicated till after the commencement of the official year. And under all these circumstances, I am again to request authority for transfer of sufficient funds for its completion from the allotment under "Civil Buildings Imperial."

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. S. T. Austin.
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No. 83

DISTRICT ENGINEER'S OFFICE.

Bangalore 23rd July 1874

From

The District Engineer,

Bangalore.

To.

The Secretary to Government.

Public Works Department.

SIR.

With reference to G. O. No. 1919 of 16th July 1874, transferring the allotment of Rs. 600 for the District Engineer's Office to Reserve Military, I have the honor to inform you that a sum of Rs. 695-8-2 has been expended up to the end of May last.

I therefore request you will be so good as to inform me under what head this sum should be charged.

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Yours most Obedt. Servant

Henry Herbert. Captain R.E.

District Engineer, Bangalore

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District Engineer's Office
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