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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
28th August 1874.*

No. 716A. Read the following letter from Captain J. L. L. MORANT, R.E., District Engineer, Neilgherries, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Chief Engineer and Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Ootacamund, 31st July 1874, No. 249:—

THE estimate for the completion of No. 4 Barrack at Wellington has been sanctioned in Public Works G. O., No. 1,890, dated 14th July 1874, and, I believe, funds are to be provided for the work in 1875-76. In order to make a good commencement with the building and to insure its early completion, it is in my opinion very necessary that the frames of the doors and windows and the trusses of the roof be got ready at once. Without the frames the brick-work cannot be begun, and without the trusses the roof will be delayed. I believe I shall be able to arrange for the timber being supplied, in which case the only expense that need be incurred will be for Carpenters. Twelve or fifteen Carpenters for six months would cost only about 2,000 Rupees, which sum I have the honor to solicit sanction to be spent within the current official year. As all skilled labor on these hills is, as you are aware, imported, it will be impossible early next official year to procure Bricklayers until the door and window frames are ready, for, if got, they would have nothing to do. If, however, the sanction I now ask for is granted, I shall be able to begin the walls in March next and work on them for some few months before the rains commence.

2. In asking for this I am limiting myself to the lowest request I can make. If Government feel disposed to give me such a sum, I could easily spend in the current official year Rupees 10,000 on this building.

No. 716B. ORDER THEREON, 28th August 1874, No. 2,451-A.

MILITARY WORKS, No. 14.

HIS Excellency the Governor in Council is unable to appropriate more than Rupees 4,000 for the purpose in view out of the current year's reserve; but desires that that sum may be utilized to the utmost in preparing for building operations next year on a large scale.
(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Neilgherries. ✓
" Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts.
" Military Department.

Exd. T. O'Connor.
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Bricklayers

District Engineer's Office
Ottawa 31st July 1874.

No. 249.

To
The District Engineer
Nilgheeries.

The Chief Engineer
& Secretary to Government
P. W. D.

Sir,
The Estimate for the completion of No. 4 Barracks at Wellington has been sanctioned in P. W. D. No. 1890 dated 24th July 1874, and, I believe, funds are to be provided for the work in 1875-76. In order to make a good commencement with the building & to insure its early completion it is in my opinion very necessary that the frames of the doors & windows and the trusses of the roof be got ready at once. Without the frames the brickwork cannot be begun, & without the trusses the roof will be delayed. I believe I shall be able to arrange for the timber being supplied, in which case the only expense that need be incurred will be for Carpenters. Twelve or fifteen Carpenters for 6 months would cost only about 2000 Rupees, which sum I hope the honor to solicit sanction to be spent within the current official year. As all skilled labor on these hills is, as you are aware, imported it will be impossible early next official year to procure Bricklayers

Witness: Captain R.C.
District Engineer

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With order.

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Govt. of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Dist. Engr.
Nellore

Dated

Recd.

Encl.

G. 128 August 1874, No. 2451

Nos. 716A-716B-

No. 4 Barrack at
Wellington - Nellore

Rs. 4000 allotted
from the Current year's
Revenue for preparation of
building materials for
the commencement of the
work next year —