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2nd March 1874.*

No. 38. Read the following endorsement of the Military Department, dated Fort St. George, 5th February 1874:—

From Lieutenant-Colonel J.W. RIDEOUT, Acting Controller of Military Accounts, to Colonel A. C. SILVER, Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Fort St. George, 4th February 1874, B.

Is transmitting a letter* from the Officiating Quarter Master General relative

* No. 41, dated 23rd January 1874.

† Paragraph 13.

‡ Despatch No. 212, dated 3rd October 1873, communicated by the Government of India in No. 1,553, dated 31st December 1873, recorded in Proceedings of Government, No. 299, dated 24th January 1874.

to the provision of accommodation for Sub-Lieutenants ordered to attend the course of Garrison Instruction at Bangalore, I have the honour to observe that in Major General Thesiger's Memorandum,† approved‡ by His Grace the Duke of Argyll, it is suggested that four

or five averaged-sized houses should be taken up by Government for the above purpose, rent at the usual rate being charged during occupancy.

2. The charge will have to be met by the Public Works Department, by which the necessary provision of funds will have to be made.

From Colonel H. H. O'CONNELL, Officiating Quarter Master General, to Colonel A. C. SILVER, Secretary to Government, Military Department, (through Controller, Military Accounts,) dated Head Quarter Camp near Bangalore, 23rd January 1874, No. 181.

I HAVE the honour, by order of the Commander-in-Chief, to annex, for the information of Government, the copy of a letter from the Superintendent of Garrison Instruction, Simla, to the address of the Adjutant-General of the Madras Army, recommending that house-accommodation be secured at Bangalore for the Sub-Lieutenants, who will attend the School of Instruction at that station for eight months, from the 15th June 1874 and following years.

2. Inquiry having been made, it is reported that houses calculated to provide accommodation, at the rate of about 25 Rupees a month for each officer, are now available, and His Excellency recommends that the Executive Engineer, Bangalore, in communication with the Garrison Instructor at that station, be authorized to rent a certain number of them for the use of the Sub-Lieutenants attending the class, on the understanding that the rent for each quarter shall not exceed 25 Rupees per mensem. His Excellency further recommends that the Executive Engineer be allowed to exercise his judgment as to the date from which the houses should be rented, because the number of officers who will attend the class in June 1874 cannot be known before the beginning of April, and in Sir Frederick Haines' opinion, the middle of that month will be about the latest safe date to which it will be desirable to postpone the engagement of houses, which are sure to be in considerable demand a little later in the season.

3. Every house rented prior to the assembly of the class will of course cause a direct loss to Government, but under the circumstances noted by the Simla

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Superintendent, there can be no doubt that it is very desirable that accommodation should be secured.

Copy of a letter from Colonel C. C. OSBORNE, Superintendent of Garrison Instruction, Simla, to the Adjutant-General, Madras, No. 1,191, dated Bombay, 11th December 1873.

With reference to the printed Circular Memorandum recently forwarded to Officers Commanding British Regiments throughout India, on the subject of preparing Sub-Lieutenants recently joined to attend the first eight months' course of instruction which will open at Bangalore on the 15th June next, I would beg the favour of your ascertaining and informing me upon my return to Bombay, about the end of April next, of the *probable* number of these officers who may be expected to join the class after having completed their regimental training, in order that early steps may be taken for the appointment of Assistant Instructors, and to enable measures being carried out to provide them with quarters.

2. During my recent visit to Bangalore I made every inquiry, in communication with Major Taylor, R.A., the Garrison Instructor, on the subject of the provision of quarters for the young officers attending the course, and we fixed upon two houses which, from their situation in the vicinity of the Messes of the European Regiments, would seem to be well adapted for the purpose in view.

3. I think it necessary to bring to your notice, as a matter of the most extreme urgency, that one or both of these houses should be taken up at once on lease by Government without the delay which would be caused by further references.

4. I can state officially that the sanction of the Governor-General in Council and the Secretary of State has already been given to the proposals submitted by Lord Napier of Magdala, which provide, amongst other arrangements, that a certain number of houses should be taken up as they come into the market as quarters for the Sub-Lieutenants while under instruction, rent being charged to them as is usual for occupation of public quarters.

5. If this be not done at Bangalore at once, it is quite evident that there will be no houses available in June next, which is the season when the station is always full, and the young officers will be quite unable to obtain any accommodation at the hotels except at prohibitory rates, on account of their being obliged to dine at the Messes of the regiments to which they will be attached for purposes of discipline.

6. Under these circumstances, it will seen that if the requisite accommodation be not engaged at once, the Sub-Lieutenants of the Madras Presidency cannot be ordered to join the course till June 1875, and many most embarrassing questions would be likely to arise with regard to the date of their Commissions, pay, etc.

7. I have directed Major Taylor, who is well acquainted with the requirements of the new scheme, to place himself in communication with you as an urgent case on the subject of these houses, and trust that the Governor of Madras may be moved, in view of the very great urgency and importance of the case, to take immediate action in the matter.

TRANSFERRED to the Public Works Department with Quarter Master General's letter, No. 1,191, dated 23rd January 1874.

(Signed) A. C. SILVER, Colonel,
Secretary to Government.

No. 39.

ORDER THEREON, 2nd March 1874, No. 538.

MILITARY WORKS, No. 3.

THE District Engineer, Bangalore, will be authorized, in communication with the Garrison Instructor at that station, to rent the houses required for the Sub-Lieutenants attending the classes

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of Garrison Instruction from about the middle of April; the usual rent chargeable for the occupation of public quarters being recovered.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Bangalore.
„ Officiating Controller of Public Works Accounts.
„ Military Department.

Exd. S. T. Austin.
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Fort Saint George, 4 February 1874

FROM

THE CONTROLLER OF MILITARY ACCOUNTS

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Sir, In transmitting a
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Quartermaster General's Office
H. D. Camp near Bangalore
23rd January 1874.

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From
Colonel H. H. O'Connell,
Offg. Quartermaster General.
To
Colonel A. C. Silver,
Secretary to Government
Military Department.

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may be taken for the appointment of Assistant
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out to provide them with Quarters.

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(True Copy)
Signed, J. Taylor Lieut
Asst Comd Adj Gen's Office

(True Copy)
J. T. Cornwell Colonel.
Offd General.

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