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No. 434. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E., Consulting Engineer for Railways, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. MULLINS, R.E., Officiating Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 7th June 1875, No. 318:—

I HAVE the honor to lay before Government a letter* from the Agent of the Madras Railway requesting sanction to the purchase, on behalf of the Company, of a house and compound adjoining the station at Cuddapah. The circumstances under which this proposal is brought forward are explained by the Chief Engineer.

2. The estimate for building a Guards' barrack was sanctioned by Government upon the 1st ultimo.† The sum sanctioned was Rupees 5,707. The estimate for the Inspector's bungalow has not yet come forward, but the building is required, and the cost will probably be between Rupees 3,000 and Rupees 4,000.

3. There is no site available within the station compound for either of these buildings. I satisfied myself upon this point by an inspection of the compound; and, under ordinary circumstances, additional land for the purpose would have to be taken up under Class C. There is, however, only one direction in which suitable land can be acquired, and that is to the north of the station, where are situated the house and compound referred to by the Chief Engineer. Upon the other sides the land adjoining the station is low and swampy.

4. The house in question has been unoccupied for some years, and it is understood that it can be bought for a sum of about Rupees 4,500. It was represented to me that it would be an economical arrangement to buy the house and compound as they stand, to convert the house into a staff bungalow, to hand over the present staff bungalow for an Inspector's bungalow, and to convert some of the extensive godowns into a Guards' barrack.

5. I inspected the house and out-buildings in company with the Deputy Chief Engineer of the Madras Railway, and came to the conclusion that the proposal was free from objection. If the house and compound can be bought for the sum named (and of this I was assured upon good authority), I am of opinion that the cost of adapting the house and out-buildings to serve the purposes of a staff bungalow and Guards' barracks will certainly fall short of the cost of building a new Guards' barracks and an Inspector's bungalow. The present staff bungalow is not well suited for that purpose, having been originally built for an Engineer employed upon the construction of the line; but it will make an excellent Inspector's bungalow without any alteration.

6. If the proposal meets with the approval of Government, the proper course will be for the land to be applied for under Class C. The land would then be bought by Government, and the buildings standing upon it could be handed over to the Company at a fair valuation as provided for in G. O., No. 15, dated 17th January 1854. The land would also be handed over to the Company at a fair rental.

From R. B. ELWIN, Esq., Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, R.E., Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 1st June 1875, No. 577.

house near the Cuddapah station, formerly occupied by the District Judge, should be acquired by the Company, and I trust that His Excellency the Governor in Council will be pleased to authorize the purchase.

From B. ANDERSON, Esq., Chief Engineer, to R. B. ELWIN, Esq., Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, dated Madras, 1st June 1875, No. 393.

A Guards' barrack has been sanctioned for Cuddapah, and an Inspector's bungalow will also have to be built there.

2. There are no sites available in the compound; and should we build these bungalows, we shall have to apply for extra land.

3. I am informed that the house formerly occupied by the District Judge, and adjacent to the present staff bungalow, is for sale at the low price of Rupees 4,500.

4. The house stands in a large compound affording room enough to erect several bungalows should the requirements of the station hereafter render it necessary.

5. I propose to convert this house (which requires considerable repairs) into a staff bungalow, and to hand over the present staff bungalow to an Inspector.

6. I think it probable that we might be able to convert some of the extensive godowns of the house I propose buying into a Guards' barrack.

7. Under the circumstances detailed above, I shall feel obliged if you will apply to Government for sanction to purchase the house and grounds. I may state that the Consulting Engineer on his recent inspection examined the house, and I have reason to believe would recommend its purchase.

No. 435. ORDER THEREON, 19th June 1875, No. 1,736.

RAILWAY, No. 55.

The proposal made is approved.

(True Extract.)

Major, R.E.,

Offg. Joint Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Ed. A. Grubert.

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No 393.

Madras Railway Company
Chief Engineer's Office.
Madras, 1st June 1875.

The Agent and Manager
Dear Sir

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2. There are no sites available in the compound, and should we build these Bungalows we shall have to apply for extra land.

3. I am informed that the house formerly occupied by the District Judge, and adjacent to the present Staff Bungalow, is for sale at the low price of Rs 4,500.

4. The house stands in a large Compound affording room enough to erect several Bungalows should the requirements of the Station hereafter render it necessary.

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1 True Copy
R. B. Elwin
Agent and Manager

Yours faithfully
Beresford Anderson
Chief Engineer

Railway Department.

CONSULTING ENGINEER'S OFFICE.

No. 518 Madras 7th June 1875.

From

LIEUT.-COLONEL J. H. M. SHAW STEWART, R.E.,

Consulting Engineer for Railways,

To Lieut. Col. J. Mullins, R.E.,

~~Colonel G. W. Walker, R.E.,~~

offg. Secretary to Government,

Public Works Department,

Fort Saint George.

SIR,

* No 577
1 June 1875

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G.O. 1218

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Your most obed^t Serv^t

Mantworth L. Col. R.E.

Cons. Engineer for

Railways.

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RAILWAY DEPARTMENT.

From
The Consulting Engineer,
for Railways.

To
The Secretary to Government,
P. W. Department,
Fort Saint George.

Dated 7th June 1875
Recd 8th June 1875

S. 2 No. 318

Submitting letter
from the Agent to the
Regulating Council to
the purchase, on behalf
of the Co., of a house
and compound ad-
joining the station at
Cuddalore.

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Sent to Secy. 15/8/75

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The proposal made is approved

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To

The Engineer-in-Chief

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G.O. No. 1731

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Madras Railway - Houses
and ground adjoining
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Sanctioning the purchase
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