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DEPARTMENT

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
13th August 1875.*

No. 217. Read the following letter from Colonel F. J. MOBERLY, R.E., Superintending Engineer, Chingleput, to Lieutenant-Colonel J. MULLINS, R.E., Officiating Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Guindy, 3rd August 1875, No. 1,709:—

I HAVE the honor to forward a comparative statement for the conversion of the late Theatre into four 'Serjeants' quarters at the Mount, sanctioned in G. O., No. 111, dated 14th January 1875, showing an excess of Rupees 50 on the estimate Rupees 230.

1 Comparative statement.

1 Copy of letter from the Executive Engineer, Mount Range.

2. I enclose copy of the Executive Engineer's explanatory letter, No. 995, dated 22nd July 1875, from which it will be seen that his Draughtsman struck out the foundations of cross walls from the Overseer's estimate without the knowledge of the latter, and that the Maistry executed the work according to the original design, neither he nor the Overseer appears to have taken any notice of the difference in total of estimate, and the only excuse offered is that, it being near the end of the year, there was no time to report the discrepancy.

3. The matter shows an utter want of system in the range, which I have remarked on more than once.

4. I am informed privately that the Head Accountant has been removed, I presume under G. O., No. 993, of 13th April 1875, and hope for better things.

5. As the foundations were necessary, I trust that the amount of excess may be sanctioned. No allotment is required, as the work was completed last year.

No. 218. ORDER THEREON, 13th August 1875, No. 2,331.

MILITARY WORKS, No. 9.

SANCTIONED.

(True Extract.)

Major-General, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, Chingleput.
" Controller of Public Works Accounts.
" Military Department.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

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1895 Mount Range Office
22^d July 1875.

From The Executive Engineer
Mount Range.
To The Superintending Engineer
Cleungput

Sir,
I have the honor in reply to yours
N^o 1408 of 12th instant to point out that I
did not receive the G. O. N^o 111 of 14th January
1875 sanctioning the work in the Begun's
bungalow (theatre for Sergeants Quarters)
until 25th January.

2. I then sent an order to the Overseer
to commence work at once which he
did, from his rough copy of estimate
prepared by him, on the 1st February.

3. In the G. O. there was no amount
mentioned and the Overseer saw nothing
to lead him to suppose there had been
any alteration of his estimate.

4. On the 9th February I received
your N^o 3758 of 5th February in which
the amount of estimate was casually
mentioned.

A portion was
allotted and the
Range Officer was
informed that the
balance of estimate
(N^o 230) would be
given afterwards

HPM

5 This was forwarded to the Overseer on 10th February but by that time the foundations were finished according to his original estimate and the entire work was completed by the 15th February.

6. It was not till after the final accounts were sent in that we discovered the excess in the Orange Office.

7. The remark of the Ministry that it was the end of the official year was I imagine meant to show that there was a general hurry in completion of all works.

8. I am sorry you think the business unsatisfactory but as the foundations were positively necessary, there is perhaps not much harm done by building them.

9. The draughtsman has standing orders never to alter an estimate without consulting first with the Subordinate and referring the matter to me should there be any disagreement; he neglected to do so in this

instance and has thus caused all this correspondence.

10. I cannot consider the Overseer to be worthy of blame in any way.

I have &c &c

/Signed/ A. C. Smith Captain
Executive Engineer

/True Copy/

J. Hookerby. Colonel A.C.
Supt Engineer, Chingleput.

NO. 1709

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER'S OFFICE

CHINDY, 3rd August 1875

From

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,

Chingleput District.

To

THE

Secretary to Government
Department Public Works.

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2. I enclose copy of the Executive Engineer's explanatory letter No. 995 dated 22nd July 1875, from which it will be seen that his draughtsman struck out the foundations of cross walls from the Overseer's estimate without the knowledge of the latter, and that the masonry executed the work according to the original design - neither he nor the Overseer appears to have taken any notice of the difference in total of estimate, and the only excuse

Enclosure in a letter from the Secy to Govt Chingleput No. 1709 of 3rd Aug 1875

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5. As the foundations were necessary, I trust that the amount of excess may be sanctioned.

No allotment is required as the work was completed last year.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedient servant

H. M. B. J. Colonel R. B.

Sup. Engr. Chingleput

Enclosure in a letter
from the Sup. Engr.
Chingleput No 1709 of 3d
Aug 1875

Comparative Statement for converting the late theatre room in Begums Compound into 4 Staff Sergeants Quarters at Lt. Thana's Motion

Description of charges	Original Estimate		Work executed up to May/75		Work Remaining to be executed		Total of columns		Differences	Remarks
	Rs.	Paise	Rs.	Paise	Rs.	Paise	Rs.	Paise		
Brick in Lehman	183	54	57 1/2	4	230	57 1/2	4	230	4608	The old foundation on which the cross walls had to rest having been built in brick in place & the same could not come to exact position of the cross walls for which no provision was made in the original estimate this work was found absolutely necessary & the excess has been the result of the
Plastering 2 coats	18	2	4	408	18	2	4	408		
Earth work	11 1/2		16	1	13	11 1/2		16	1	13
Contingencies	5	15			8	69			8	69
Total Estimate Rupees	230				280				50	Total excess from original estimate

Mount Range Office
6th July 1875
R.E.

H. Smith Colonel R.E. Captain R.E.
Superintendent Engineer

Enclosure in a letter
from the Supg Engineer
Chungking No. 1709 of 9.8
Sept. 1875.

Chungking

Mr. 5063

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Mills Dept.

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P. W. 1875 Sept.
From No. 5063
The Superintending Engineer
Chungking

To The Secretary to
Government D.P.W.
Dated 3rd August 75
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No 1709
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Forwards a comparative
statement for the
conversion of the lake
theatre into 4 Serjeants
Quarters at the Moench
showing an excess of Rs
50 on the estimate No 230

With order.

5063
Govt. of Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

To Mr. S. P. S. S. S.
Chief Engineer
Encl.

G. O., 13 August 1872, No. 2331

Nos. 217-218

Conversion of the late ~~House~~
in Begum's Bungalow,
St. Thomas' Mount, into
Sergeants' Quarters.

Sanctioning the excess
of Rs: 50 on the original
estimate of Rs: 230 for
the _____.