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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
1st December 1875.*

No. 7. Read the following letter from Captain J. L. L. MORANT, R.E., District Engineer, Nilgiris, to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Camp at Wellington, 26th November 1875, No. 383:—

WITH reference to Public Works G.O., No. 3,222, of the 12th instant, I have the honor to inform you that the swing windows in the lower-story of the Wellington Barrack, now under construction, cannot be inserted without endangering the stability of the structure. The upper-story walls of this barrack are built up to two-thirds of their full height and the mortar is still green; the lower-story walls were constructed many years ago and are quite set. The knocking of holes in the hardened lower walls will be certain to shake the fresh and unconsolidated superstructure. Moreover, the ventilating windows, suggested by Dr. Massy, are quite unnecessary. The lower-story rooms have numerous open slits in their front and rear walls immediately under the upper-story floor; and their rear walls have arched openings in lieu of doors, these communicating with the rear closed verandahs. The ventilators and cubic air space is thus all that could be desired. Nor have complaints ever been made of want of ventilation in the other lower barrack rooms. A reference to the Commandant at Wellington might confirm these points.

2. Under these circumstances, I have the honor to request that the order under reference may be cancelled.

No. 8. ORDER THEREON, 1st December 1875, No. 3,417.

MILITARY WORKS, No. 1.

As constructive difficulties have arisen to prevent the improvements to the lower-story of the new block of barracks at Wellington, suggested by the Deputy Surgeon-General, British Medical Department, being carried out, the instructions to the District Engineer, Nilgiris, contained in G.O., No. 3,222 of 12th November, are cancelled.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Military Department.
„ District Engineer, Nilgiris.

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No. 383 District Engineer's Office
Camp Wellington 26 Nov. 1877

From

The District Engineer
Nilegherrie

To

The Secretary to Govt.
Dept. Pub. Works
Madras.

Sir,

With reference to P.W.
G. O. No. 3222 of the 12th instant
I have the honor to inform you
that the swing windows in the lower
story of the Wellington Barracks
now under construction cannot be
inserted without endangering the
stability of the structure. The upper
story walls of this barracks are built
up to two-thirds of their full height
and the mortar is still green. The
lower story walls were constructed
many years ago and are quite set.
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lower walls will be certain to shake
the fresh and unconsolidated super-
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windows suggested by D. S. Mooney
are quite unnecessary. The lower
story

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of 12th November
are cancelled.

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The Military Department
District Engineer,
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