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14th July 1876. No. 1,781.*

No. 226. Read the following Proceedings of the Government of India in the Public Works Department, dated Simla, 4th July 1876, No. 978 MW :—

From Colonel H. K. BURNE, c.b., Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, to Colonel J. MICHAEL, Secretary to the Government of Madras, Military Department, dated Simla, 29th June 1876, No. 874 S.

I AM directed to acknowledge the receipt of the Proceedings of the Government of Madras, forwarded with your docket, No. 956, of the 24th February 1876, submitting, for the special orders of the Government of India, correspondence relative to a house in the cantonment of Rangoon occupied by Mr. Trotter, the Controller of Public Works Accounts, British Burmah, and which is required for occupation by an officer of the garrison.

2. It is urged in this correspondence that the house occupied by Mr. Trotter, which is situated in the lines of the 1st Battalion 21st Fusiliers, is the most suitable residence for the medical officer of the regiment, and that he entered into occupation without in any way communicating with the Military Authorities as required by regulation.

3. In reply, I am to state that it seems to the Government of India that much stress cannot be laid on the fact that the house is the most suitable residence for the Surgeon of the Regiment, as that officer apparently selected another house while the house occupied by Mr. Trotter was yet vacant, and it is admitted that the occupation of the house by Mr. Trotter was acquiesced in by the Military Authorities, as "the premises would be more likely to be kept clean while tenanted than they would be while empty."

4. Mr. Trotter, as an officer of the Public Works Department, under existing orders, had a right to occupy any available house in cantonments; the house he took was available, and the silence of the Commanding Officer, who gives his reason for that silence, confirmed that right. Consequently his now being dispossessed of continued tenancy of the house would be an infraction of the rules under which he was permitted to occupy it.

5. Should, however, it still be considered by the Military Authorities that this particular house should be occupied by some officer of the Regiment quartered in the cantonment, the Government of India will not object that due notice be given to Mr. Trotter, say three months, or whatever other time may be necessary for him to obtain another house, or to prevent his having to move in the rains or other inconvenient season, to vacate, he being re-imbursed by the in-going tenant for any necessary or substantial repairs or improvements he may have effected.

No. 875 S.

Copy of the above forwarded to the Public Works Department for information.

(By order,)

(Signed) W. M. LEES, Lieut.-Colonel,
Offg. Deputy Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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14th July 1876. No. 1,731.*

COPY of the foregoing forwarded to the Government of Madras in the Public Works Department for information.

(By order,)

(Signed) W. A. CROMMELIN, Colonel, R.E.,
Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of India.

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