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21st November 1876. No. 3,125.*

No. 387. Read the following endorsement of the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 13th November 1876, No. 1,815:—

From Surgeon-General G. SMITH, M.D., Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department, to the Hon. W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, dated Fort St. George, 8th November 1876, No. 591.

I HAVE the honor to report, for the information of His Grace the Governor in Council, that the Senior Medical Officer of the General Hospital has represented the necessity of some provision being made for maintaining the clocks of that institution, six in number, in working order.

2. It has been ascertained that Mr. Strange, a local watch and clock repairer, is willing to clean, repair, and keep in good working order the six clocks for the monthly sum of ten (10) Rupees. I have caused inquiries to be made whether the work cannot be performed for a less sum, with the result that other established firms demand a much higher figure, and that Mr. Strange's estimate is the lowest procurable. I would therefore recommend that Mr. Strange's offer be accepted by Government. The charge for the current year can be met from savings under the head of Contingencies of the General Hospital.

REFERRED to the Public Works Department for disposal with reference to G.O., dated 29th May 1875, No. 712. (Signed) W. HUDLESTON,  
Chief Secretary.

No. 388. ORDER THEREON, 21st November 1876, No. 3,125.

ACCOUNT, No. 32.

THE clocks will be placed under Messrs. Orr and Sons for winding and keeping in repair on the condition specified in paragraph 4 of the letter from the Inspector-General of Ordnance and Magazines, recorded with G.O., No. 88, dated 21st January 1869, (Public Department). The additional charge will, under those conditions, be Rupees 4 per mensem.\* And will be disbursed by the District Engineer, Presidency, from his allotment for "Tools and Plant, Provincial."

(True Extract.)

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

To Messrs. Orr and Sons,  
To the District Engineer, Presidency,  
" Examiner of Public Works Accounts,  
" Public Department.

with G.O., No. 88, dated 21st January 1869,  
Public Department.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.  
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No. 108. Read the following letter from the Acting Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Fort Saint George, 15th January 1869, No. 292.

Bill Department.

I have the honor to bring to the notice of Government that Messrs. Orr and Sons, the present Contractors for winding and keeping in repair the Turret and other Government Clocks, have submitted a proposition, having for its object an increase to the monthly allowance they now draw, by taking over the charge of those Clocks also, which have not been provided for in their Contract Deed, an arrangement which they consider would compensate them for the labor and expense the contract now entails on them.

2. I have ascertained, by Circular issued to Departments, that there are sixteen Clocks for which repairs, when needed, are executed, and cost included in Contingent bills.

3. It appears very desirable, as it would be of advantage to Government, that these Clocks also should be placed under Messrs. Orr and Sons' charge, at a proportionate additional cost, which can be covered to some extent by the expenditure it is now found necessary to incur on the Contingent bills alluded to.

4. Messrs. Orr and Sons are prepared to undertake the present and additional work at a total monthly charge of Rupees 100, being an addition of Rupees 39 to the amount\* now drawn by them, with

\* Rupees 61.

the proviso that the number† be open to an increase to the extent of four Clocks, without involving any extra cost to Government; but that a uniform rate of 2 Rupees be allowed for every Clock in excess of the maximum number, viz. 39.

† Thirty-five Clocks, as per Statement subjoined.

5. Messrs. Orr and Sons have held the contract, on successive renewals of the same, for the past fifteen years, during which period they have invariably given satisfaction in the performance of the work entrusted to them.

6. Considering the respectability of the Firm, and the character it still continues to maintain as the most experienced in the work, a reason which induced Government to give Mr. Orr the

Extract Minutes of Consultation, No. 642, dated 6th July 1853.

Contract in 1853, I beg Government will be pleased to view favorably the proposal herein submitted; the responsibility attaching to the work, I beg to submit, suggests also the expediency of confiding it to a Firm of Messrs. Orr and Sons' standing.

7. Subjoined is a statement showing separately the Clocks included in Messrs. Orr and Sons' Contract, and those proposed to be added to that List.

8. Should Government accord their sanction to the proposals contained in this letter, a fresh Deed of Contract will be entered into with Messrs. Orr and Sons for a period of three years.

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STATEMENT.

Government Clocks included in Messrs. Orr and Sons' Contract. Government Clocks (not included in the Contract) for which repairs when needed are executed, and cost included in Contingent bills.

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|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|----|
| 1 Turret Clock, at Saint Mary's Church, in the Fort.                                                            | Government Office, Revenue Department...    | 1  |
| 1 " " Saint George's Cathedral.                                                                                 | Registrar General of Assurances*.....       | 1  |
| 1 Table " do.                                                                                                   | Commissioner of Police.....                 | 1  |
| 1 " " in the Government House.                                                                                  | Director of Public Instruction.....         | 1  |
| 1 Large " in the Butler's Godown.                                                                               | Superintending Engineer's Office.....       | 1  |
| 1 Quarter " in the Government House at Guindy.                                                                  | Executive Engineer, Southern Range.....     | 1  |
| 1 Time Piece do. do.                                                                                            | Revenue Survey, Central Office.....         | 2  |
| 1 Clock in the Government Office, Fort.                                                                         | Consulting Engineer for Railways.....       | 1  |
| 1 Table Clock in the Stamp Office.                                                                              | Controller Public Works Accounts.....       | 2  |
| 1 " " in the High Court.                                                                                        | Inspector General, Madras Police.....       | 1  |
| 1 Time Piece in the do.                                                                                         | Assay Master's Office.....                  | 1  |
| 1 Table Clock in the Master Attendant's Office.                                                                 | Conservator of Forests.....                 | 1  |
| 1 Time Piece in the Madras Medical School.                                                                      | Consulting Engineer's Office, Irrigation... | 1  |
| 1 " " " Government Lying-in Hospital.                                                                           |                                             | 16 |
| 1 Clock in the Government Light House.                                                                          |                                             |    |
| 1 Turret Clock at Saint Andrew's Church.                                                                        |                                             |    |
| 1 Eight-day Quarter Clock in the Government House, Guindy.                                                      |                                             |    |
| 1 Spring Clock in the Magistrate's Court at Royapettah.                                                         |                                             |    |
| 1 Clock in the High Court, Appellate Side, as per Proceedings of Government, No. 214, dated 22nd February 1864. |                                             |    |
| 19                                                                                                              |                                             |    |
| Total of Clocks included in contract.....                                                                       |                                             | 19 |
| " " proposed to be added.....                                                                                   |                                             | 16 |
|                                                                                                                 |                                             | 35 |

\* Winding and repair by Messrs. Orr and Sons, sanctioned in Proceedings of Government, No. 1921 of 19th December 1868.

(Signed) J. L. BARROW, Colonel,  
Ag. Insp. Genl. of Ordnance  
and Magazines.

No. 109. ORDER THEREON, 21st January 1869, No. 88.

The Governor in Council approves of the proposal for renewing the contract with Messrs. Orr and Sons for winding and keeping in repair the Government Clocks for a further period of three years. In addition to the Clocks now under their charge,

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the sixteen referred to in the statement submitted will be included in the fresh contract, which will be drawn out on the terms specified in paragraph 4 of the foregoing letter.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Acting Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines.  
" Accountant General.  
" Examiner of Claims.

Ed. J. Wright.

Indorsement of the Public Department  
in letter from the Surgeon General, S. M. Dept  
No 1815 dated 13 November 1876

FOR ORDERS.

Submitted for orders  
whether the clocks in  
question should be added  
to the number which  
Messrs D. and sons are  
bound by contract to  
wind and keep in re-  
pair, or whether the  
Surgeon General's proposal  
should be sanctioned.  
The additional cost in this  
former case will be

235

I do not wish  
to be bound by the  
terms of contract  
passed by the  
Honorable Board  
in 1871

W. W.

No.  
7.  
with Me.  
for a furth.

Rs 1 per annum, being  
Rs 2 for each clock in  
excess of the maximum  
number of 29. The  
charge will in this case  
fall against the Public  
Works Budget grant  
under Provincial "Tools  
and Plant".

It may be mentioned  
that there are numerous  
Government clocks besides  
those of the General  
Hospital, which are  
not included in Messrs  
Cox & Sons Contract, e.g.,  
the two clocks belonging  
to the P. W. Secretariat  
are not so provided.

for,

Alfred Grafton  
Secretary to Government

FOR ORDERS.

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No 591. Office of Surgeon General  
Fort Saint George 8 September 1896.  
From Surgeon General George Smith M.D.  
Surgeon General Ind. Med Dept.  
To The Chief Secretary to Government  
Public Department

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commend that Mr. Stranges offer  
be accepted by Government. The  
charge for the current year can be  
met from savings under the head of  
Contingencies of the General Hospital.

I have the honor to be  
Sir,

Your most obedient servant

Pro. Surg. Genl. M.D.

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Cl. coll. sur. K. stin. sur. 35  
 add. Gen. Hospital. Cl. coll. 6  
 41  
 Bal. de. K. p. r. m. p. r. m. 367  
 Contr. 3  
 Bal. de. K. p. r. m. p. r. m. 2

allotment for "Work  
and Plant Provisional

Order

Govt. of Madras.  
PUBLIC WORKS.

Sup. Mr. & Sons

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Date

Place

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For

G. O. 1876, No. 3126

No. 3874388

Works in the General  
Hospital Madras —  
Noting that the contract  
for building & keeping in  
repair of the — began  
"Messrs. Mr. & Sons, and  
issuing instructions regarding  
the provision of funds for  
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