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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
13th December 1876. No. 3,391.*

No. 304. Read the following Proceedings of the Honorable the President in Council,
Public Works Department, dated Fort William, 20th November 1876:—
Office Memorandum of the Government of India, Military Department, dated Fort
William, 2nd November 1876, No. 68.

In reply to Public Works Department memorandum, No. 1,248 MW, dated the
4th September 1876,* relative to the
* Original enclosures returned as requested proposed construction of new Cavalry
stables at Bangalore, the under signed is directed to forward a copy of a letter, from
the Quartermaster-General in India, and
No. 7,608, dated the 9th October 1876. to say that, with reference to the present
state of the finances, it may be desirable to repair the present stables, but that if,
as remarked by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, they originally cost
only Rupees 33,000, it is, in the opinion of the Military Department, not desirable
to expend Rupees 38,000 in repairing them.

(Signed) ARTHUR CROOKSHANK, Captain,
Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India

No. 1,518 MW.

Copy of the above with copy of enclosure and of Public Works Department
No. 1,248 MW, dated 4th September 1876, forwarded to the Government of Madras
in the Public Works Department for information with reference to its No. 1,890,
dated 25th July 1876.

(By order,)

(Signed) C. H. DICKENS, Colonel, R.A.,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

From Colonel W. A. CROMMELIN, R.E., Deputy Secretary to the Government of India,
Public Works Department, (Military Works.) to the Secretary to the Government of
India, Military Department, dated Simla, 4th September 1876, No. 1,248, M W.

In forwarding herewith copy of the communication noted in the margin, relative to the
proposed construction of new stables to replace
the existing defective ones of the Cavalry at
Bangalore at an estimated cost of Rs. 1,07,700.

From Madras Government, No. 1,890, dated 25th July 1876,
and enclosures in original (to be returned).

the undersigned is directed to state that there are two points for consideration.

- 1st.—Whether there is any real necessity to build entirely new stables; and,
2ndly.—Whether, if new stables are to be built, sanction should be accorded to the
plan now submitted.

2. As regards the first point, the undersigned is to explain that the present stables were
built only nine years ago according to data then approved by the Government of India, and that
it now appears that these stables can be thoroughly repaired at a cost of Rupees 38,000. Under
the present financial difficulty the Government of India in this department would hesitate to
spend so large a sum as Rupees 1,07,700 on new buildings when the existing ones, which do not
seem to be unsatisfactory, can be repaired at a comparatively small cost.

3. With reference to the second point, the undersigned is to state that if there are any
special reason why new buildings should be constructed, the question of plan, and, more parti-
cularly, that relating to size of stalls, should be considered.

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4. The plan now submitted by the Madras Government differs from the standard plan in two particulars:—

1st.—Instead of the double stalls having a central passage running between them, the stalls are placed back to back, each row having a passage in its rear. It is not desirable to be particular about the arrangement of minor details, and as this departure from the standard plan does not involve any increase to the width of the building, this department sees no objection to its being allowed.

2nd.—The width allowed for each stall is 10½ feet, whereas the width of stall laid down in the standard plan is only 7 feet.

5. This excess in width is very considerable, and adds greatly to the estimate. The standard width, as already stated, is 7 feet, and many stables have been built accordingly; but as frequent representations have been received to the effect that it is insufficient, it would seem desirable that the fact should receive special consideration in the Military Department.

From Major-General F. ROBERTS, Quartermaster-General in India, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, Simla, dated 9th October 1876, No. 7,608.

In returning, as requested, the enclosures of Military Department endorsement, No. 401 S, "Barracks and Buildings," dated the 13th ultimo, I am directed by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief to state that the Cavalry stables at Bangalore are brick in mud buildings, with palmyra beams, and as their original cost, it is believed, did not much exceed Rupees 33,000, it would, in Sir Frederick Haines' opinion, be most injudicious to expend so large a sum in the repair of buildings of this description.

2. The Commander-in-Chief would remind the Government of India that when the original plan for these stables was received after their construction, the Madras Government was directed on no account to again employ such mean materials in the erection of public buildings. Having a personal knowledge of these stables, from foundation to roof, His Excellency is surprised to find that they have lasted so long as nine years.

No. 305.

ORDER THEREON, 13th December 1876, No. 3,391.

MILITARY WORKS, No. 5.

In view of the present financial pressure, and in view of the opinion of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief—formed after personal inspection of the Agram Barracks—that if the present buildings are maintained in a state of good repair, and the faulty palmyra beams removed from time to time, there is not any present necessity for constructing new blocks, His Grace the Governor in Council decides to withdraw for the present the application for sanction to the estimate* forwarded with letter No. 1,890, dated the 25th July 1876.

* Rupees 1,07,700.

2. The District Engineer will carry out from time to time such repairs as shall be necessary to make the present stabling safe.

(Here enter No. 3,392, dated 13th December 1876.)

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Major-General, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Bangalore.
" Military Department.

Exd. S. T. Austin.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE, 13th December 1876.

No. 306.

No. 3,392.

FROM

MAJOR-GENERAL G. W. WALKER, R.E.,
Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Public Works Department,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
Public Works Department.

MILITARY WORKS, No. 6.

SIR,—With reference to the correspondence forwarded with your docket of the 20th November 1876, No. 1,518,

M W, I am directed to say that the Madras Government, having considered the matter in all its bearings, resolve to abandon for the present the proposals for constructing the new Agram Cavalry Barracks at Bangalore.

2. His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief has, after personal inspection of the present stables, formed the opinion that they are, if duly repaired from time to time, capable of doing good service. And in these views His Grace in Council concurs.

3. I am therefore directed to request that the application for sanction to estimates, aggregating Rupees 1,07,700 contained in my letter, No. 1,890 of the 25th July 1876, may be suspended.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

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

Exd. S. T. Austin.

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The SECRETARY to the GOVERNMENT
OF INDIA

Dated December 1896.

G. O. 145 December 1896, No. 2308.

DECEMBER.

No. 2308.

Informing that the construction of the
new Agam Cavalry Barracks at Bangalore
is abandoned for the present, and requesting
that the sanction of the estimates forwarded
in the letter No. 1890 of 2nd July 1896
may be suspended.

Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the

Read the following:—

The Government of India
1896. N. 1890. M. L. 2nd July 1896

Ordered to be recorded
with reference to letter to
the Government of India
of 1890 of 25th July; and
reference to be made to that
Government for information
whether the decision can
be communicated therewith
that the Cavalry Barracks
at Bangalore are not
to be repaired or to be taken
down in direct sanction
of the estimate of Rs. 10,000
for rebuilding them which
was submitted with the
letter above noted.

There is knowledge of
prices or of details in the
Public Works Department,
and therefore I write in the
subject that considerable
diffidence has been
said that I should have
whether a grant of funds
be made on their account
in 1897-98 or not, it is
desirable that the question

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 whether they are to be
 be built as recommended through a very
 by this Government must smaller than
 or not, should be def- 38000 Rupees, (and that too
 nitely settled without any spent as called for
 delay. The grant of would suffice to afford all
 Rs. 20,000 for the current the shelter required in the
 year has been surrendered. I have in some years got
 certainly the States are
 not as strong as they
 were in the days of the
 the Officers would naturally
 for present here being
 in the mind of the
 principle - but I have
 time that there is not an
 Officer in a man who would
 not prefer to have these States
 as they stand, to having them
 immer picketted in the open
 air; the care with the horses
 of the Dr. Horse Artillery at Bangalore.
 My advice would be to keep
 the present buildings going -
 to tell the Govt of India that
 considering all things he hoped
 this would suffice for the
 present - and that when we
 found these repairs would
 not pay - he would again
 make application for new States.
 12/12/76
 29-11-76

From
 The Govt of India

12/12

I should prefer to say
 "any present necessity"
 I am not an Engineer, & cannot
 bring myself to an opinion to
 include years to come - I am
 what I saw & what I heard
 on the spot, I recommend
 to follow what I think do for
 myself. Mr.

Rs 107,700

(H.E. No. 1512 M.W. 2nd Nov. 1876)

In view of the present
 financial pressure, and
 in view of the opinion of
 His Excellency the Commander
 in Chief - formed after
 personal inspection of
 the Agam Barracks - that
 if the present buildings are
 maintained in
 present into a state of ~~repair~~
 repair, and the faulty
 Palampara beams removed,
 from time to time these
 there will be for some
 years, any necessity for
 constructing new blocks,
 His Grace the Governor in
 Council decides to withdraw
 for the present the applica-
 tion for sanction to the
 estimates forwarded

with letter No 1890, dated
the 25th July 1876.

2. The District Engineer
will carry out from time
to time such repairs as
shall be necessary to make
the present stabling safe.

(H. No 3392 of 13 May 76)

No 3392.
The Secy to the Govt of
India.

Sir,
With reference to the
correspondence forwarded
with your letter of the
20th November, 1876, No 1518.
Mr. W., I am directed to say
that the Madras Govern-
ment, having considered
the matter in all its bearings
resolve to abandon for the
present the proposals for
constructing the new stables.

*for the purpose
of the new stables
the Government
have decided to
abandon the
proposals for
constructing the
new stables.*
B. C. Bangalore
Military Dept.
Dated 26/12/76.

See my remarks on the
Proceedings on the other
page.

H. W.

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Cavalry Barracks at
Bangalore.
2. His Excellency the
Commander-in-Chief has
after personal inspec-
tion of the present stables
formed the opinion that
they ^{are} ~~will~~ ^{be} repaired ^{from}
brick to brick, ^{as} ~~is~~ ^{is} good service
for some years to come.
And in these views His
Excellency in Council concurs.
3. I am therefore directed
to request that the appli-
cation for sanction to
estimate, aggregating
Rs. 1,04,700 contained in
my letter No 1890 of the
25th July, 1876 may be
suspended.

M. W.

6588.
Govt. of Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

To
The D. C. Bangalore

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Cavalry Stables at
Bangalore.

Passing orders on
letter from the
Govt. of India on the
subject of the —.

Submitting that the construction
of the New Room Cavalry
Barracks at Bangalore is
abandoned for the present.
and requesting that the sanction
of the Estimates forwarded by the
letter No 7890 of 25 July 76 may
be cancelled.