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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

25th October 1877, No. 1,251 W.

Buildings and Roads.

Military Works.

Read the following papers :—

No. 250. From Colonel F. J. MOBERLY, R.E., Superintending Engineer, Chingleput, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, dated St. Thomas' Mount, 4th September 1877, No. 2,153.

I HAVE the honor to bring to your notice that in authorizing the payment of compensation for land taken up for a wall round the Commissariat godown at St. Thomas' Mount, G.O., No. 599 W, dated 16th August 1877, has not accorded any sanction to the execution of the estimate of Rupees 500 for the renewal and reconstruction of that building. The plan and estimate for this work were sent to Government by the Quartermaster-General as appears from his letter printed in Government Order under reference. As expenditure has already been incurred on this work by Mr. Carless, who was temporarily in charge of Mount Range, the item appears every month as an objectionable one in the statement of the Examiner—*Vide* G.O., No. 324 W, dated 29th June 1877. I request that the necessary sanction may now be accorded and provision of funds made at an early date, as it is important for the security of Commissariat Stores I believe.

No. 250-A. From the same Officer, dated St. Thomas' Mount, 18th September 1877, No. 2,350 F.

REFERRING to your memorandum, No. 2,742, dated 17th instant, I have the honor to observe that there appears to be some misunderstanding of the facts in the letter from the Quartermaster-General on which G.O., No. 599 W, dated 16th August 1877, has been passed.

2. The following is, I believe, correct :—Part of the wall protecting the Commissariat premises fell, the local authorities called on the Mount Range Officer to rebuild it; he commenced work, but finding that another part of it was very shaky pulled this also down, being under the impression that the wall was the property of Government.

The owners of the adjacent houses claimed the wall as their property, and the Cantonment Magistrate called on the Range Officer to stop work; he did so, but pointed out that, if the claim was correct, the owners of the wall should be compelled to put it up again in good permanent form.

3. Here the matter ended as far as the Department of Public Works were concerned, the wall having been raised about one-third.

4. The Overseer was wrong in pulling down any part of the wall; his duty was to report to the Cantonment authorities, who would no doubt have under general regulations insisted on the wall being properly built, and, if the Government had decided on paying compensation for the extra work, it would have been as much as the people had any right to or expectation of.

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5. I respectfully submit that to pay them compensation and to build their wall is more than the owners are entitled to, and will probably encourage other house-owners in Cantonment to neglect their property; if built on its old site, the wall will be the property of the neighbouring house-holders, not of Government.

6. I would suggest that Rupees 60 compensation be paid and these people called on to build the wall substantially, or that the Government build the wall and pay no compensation, retaining the wall as their property and in their own interest maintaining it in good order. Clearly the State has more interest in its being kept in sound condition than have the house-holders in question.

No. 3,072.

REFERRED to the Military Department for remarks by the Quartermaster-General.

2. The compensation which in G.O., No. 599 W, dated 16th August 1877, Government ordered to be disbursed to the owners has not yet been paid, and, pending receipt of the views of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, the order will be held in abeyance.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
4th October 1877.
To the Military Department.

(Signed) E. A. FOORD, Colonel, R.E.,
Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

No. 5,607.

REFERRED accordingly.

8th October 1877.

To the Quartermaster-General.

(By Order.)

(Signed) J. MICHAEL, Colonel,
Secy. to Govt., Mily. Dept.

No. 250-B. Endorsement of the Military Secretary to Government, dated 17th October 1877, No. 5,775.

From Brigadier-General H. O'CONNELL, Quartermaster-General, to Colonel J. MICHAEL, c.s.i., Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Bangalore, 15th October 1877, No. 878/6,902.

In returning the documents referred to the Commander-in-Chief with your No. 5,607, dated 8th instant, I have the honor by order to state that in making the recommendation contained in this Office letter, No. 481/5,468, dated 8th August 1877, see Proceedings of Madras Government, Military Department, No. 4,863, dated 25th August 1877, the whole of the circumstances had been carefully considered by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

2. The wall that fell was private property. It was for the interests of Government that a wall should be built to provide for the safety of the Commissariat godown. The owners of the private wall objected unless they were paid compensation. The compensation required was small, and, in order to obtain what was necessary for the security of Government property, without running the risk of acting illegally and exposing Government to future loss, His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief recommended that the compensation be paid and the wall rebuilt by the Executive Engineer. His Excellency is still of opinion that this is the best course to be pursued.

TRANSFERRED to the Public Works Department and the referred paper returned.

(By Order.)

(Signed) J. MICHAEL, Colonel,
Secy. to Govt., Mily. Dept.

No. 251. ORDER THEREON, 25th October 1877, No. 1,251 W.

THE plan and estimate, amounting to Rupees 500, for rebuilding the wall of the Commissariat godown at the Mount are sanctioned.

2. The compensation of Rupees 60 should be paid as already approved by Government.

3. This sanction has been registered as Imperial No. 74 B of 1877-78.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) E. A. FOORD, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

To the District Engineer, Chingleput.
" Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
" Military Department.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.
Spare Copies

Chingleput

J.M.D.

No. 27427/17 Sept 1877

Memorandum.

Letter from the Superintending Engineer,
Chingleput, No 2153, dated 4th Sept 1877

The Superintending Engineer
is requested to report whether the work
of removing and reconstructing the
compound wall of the Commissariat
Godown at St. Thomas Mount, has
been completed

(Signed) W. Farewell, Colonel
Dy Chief Engineer M.D.

Fort St. George.

Sept 1877

To
The Superintending Engineer
Chingleput

No. 2153

Chingleput Superintending Engineer's Office,
Saint Thomas' Mount, 4th Sept 1877

From

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,

Chingleput.

To

The Chief Engineer
Public Works Department.

SIR,

I have the honor to bring to your notice that in authorizing the payment of compensation for work taken up for a wall round the Commissariat Garden at Saint Thomas' Mount, G.O. No. 599 P. dated 16th August 1877, has not accorded any sanction to the execution of the estimate Rs. 500, for the renewal and reconstruction of that building. The plan and estimate for this work were sent to Government by the Quarter Master General as appears from his letter printed in G.O. under reference. As expenditure has already been incurred on this work by Mr. Carless who was temporarily in charge of Mount Range the item appears

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I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedient servant

J. H. G. G.

Colonel R. E.

Supr Engineer Chingleput

G.O. No 599 W 8/16 Aug 77
324 W 2/1 June 77

From
The Superintg. Engineer
Chingleput.

Dated 4th }
Recd. 1 } Sept 77

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No. 2350 G.

Chingleput Superintending Engineer's Office.
Saint Thomas' Mount, 18 Sept 1877.

From

THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
Chingleput.

To

The Chief Engineer

Roads & Buildings Branch

Sir,

Referring to your Memo No 2742 of
17th instant, I have the honor to observe
that there appears to be some misunder-
standing of the facts in the letter
from the Quarter Master General on which
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W. J. S. S. S.
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From the Sup. Engineer
Chinghai District

N^o 2350 St.

Dated 18th }
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Public Works Department.

Letter from the Superintending Engineer
Chinghai, N^o 2350, dated 18th September
1877.

Referred to the Military De-
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in-Chief, the order will be held
in abeyance.

Fort Saint George,
4th October 1877

Edmund Colonel R.E.
Secretary to Government.
P.M.D.

To
The Military Department.

A.S.P.

Bangalore 15th October 1877

No. 878.

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From

BRIGADIER-GENERAL H. O'CONNELL,

Quartermaster-General,

To

THE Colonel J. Michael C.S.I.
Secretary to Government,
Military Department.

SIR,

In returning the documents referred to the Commander in Chief with your No. 5607 dated 8th Instant, I have the honor, by order, to state that, in making the recommendation contained in this Office letter No. ⁴⁸¹/₅₄₆₈ dated 8th August 1877, see Proceedings of Madras Government Military Department No. 4863 dated 25th August 1877, the whole of the circumstances had been carefully considered by His Excellency the Commander in Chief.

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I have the honor to be
Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

H. D. Cornwell Brij. Genl.

Quarter Master General.

Military 1877 Report
No 6143

17 Dec 1877. To the Secretary of War
The Quartermaster General

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Entered 15th 3 October
No 878

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Original L.O. 16th August 1877 N^o 599 W
L.O. 29th June 1877 N^o 324 W.

L.O. 25th (Oct. 1877) L.O. 230 W

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OF MADRAS.

1877.

P. W.
DEPT.

SECRETARY.

Fort St. George, 13th September 1877.

OFFICE NOTE.

To

What expenditure has been up to date incurred upon the following work in the Chingleput District.

"Removing and reconstructing the compound wall of the Commissariat Godown at St Thomas' Mount."

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Letter from the Quarter Master General No 878
dated 15th October 1877 through the Military
Department.

FOR ORDERS.

The expenditure of Rs 1000 has already been approved by the Govt. for the purchase of materials for the compound wall of the Commissariat Godown at St Thomas' Mount. It has not fallen to the Government for the purchase of materials for the compound wall of the Commissariat Godown at St Thomas' Mount.

I think that we can well afford to have the compound wall of the Commissariat Godown at St Thomas' Mount.

20/10/77

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Whether the proposal of His Excellency the Commander in Chief to the effect that Government should pay the owners of the wall Rs 60 as compensation, besides rebuilding it at Government expense.

Under this arrangement Government will acquire no ownership in the wall and will have no guarantee that it will be kept in repair for the future.

E A Mnd Colonel, R.
Secretary to Govt. P. W. D.

FOR ORDERS.

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Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 25th Oct 1877-

Read the following:-

Letter from the Supg. Engineer } H.E. No 2153 d/4 Sept 1877
Chingleput }
do — do — do H.E. No. 2350 F d/18 Sept 1877
do — Quarter Master } H.E. No. 878 d/15 Oct 1877
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The plan and Estimate amounting to Rs. 500 for rebuilding the wall of the Commission's Godown at the Mount are sanctioned.

2. The Compensation of Rs. 60 should be paid as already approved by Government.

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This sanction has been re-

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PUBLIC WORKS.

To

A. E. Chingfent.

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G. O., 25 Oct 1877, No. 127 W

Nos. 250-257

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