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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

12th October 1877, No. 981 W.

General.

Account.

Read the following paper:—

No. 114. Endorsement of the Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Fort St. George, 9th October 1877, No. 5,636.

From Brigadier-General H. O'CONNELL, Quartermaster-General, to Colonel J. MICHAEL, c.s.i., Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated 5th October 1877, No. 854/6,670.

I HAVE the honor, by order, to forward the correspondence as per margin, regarding the supply of rations, &c., to the British Non-commissioned Officers employed on the Buckingham Canal, for the consideration and orders of Government.

Letter No. 1,187, dated 21st August 1877, from the Commandant, Queen's Own Sappers and Miners.

Letter No. 5,734, dated 12th September 1877, from the Assistant Commissary-General, Madras.

Letter No. 4,723, dated 13th September 1877, from the Commissary-General.

Letter No. 1,351, dated 29th September 1877, from the Commandant, Queen's Own Sappers and Miners.

2. The Commissary-General reports that whilst his department cannot undertake the supply of fresh rations to these Non-commissioned Officers, as the Commissariat has no agency in the Nellore District, certain articles, such as tea, coffee, sugar, flour, preserved meat and vegetables, could be issued on payment, if the Collector of Nellore would undertake to receive and distribute them.

3. As any assistance of this nature would be most acceptable to these Non-commissioned Officers, the sanction of Government is requested for the despatch of these articles to the Buckingham Canal, to be received and distributed by any officer there whom Government may name. The charge for the transport of the articles being paid by Government.

TRANSFERRED to the Public Works Department for the consideration and orders of Government.

(By Order.)

(Signed) J. MICHAEL, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government, M.D.

No. 115.

ORDER THEREON, 12th October 1877, No. 981 W.

COMMUNICATED to the District Engineer, Nellore, who will at once ascertain from the Non-commissioned Officers employed on the Canal works what their requirements are and submit an indent on the Commissary-General accordingly arranging to receive and distribute the articles as received.

(True Extract.)

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

To the District Engineer, Nellore.
" Collector of Nellore.
" Revenue Department.
" Military "

4th 1187 Bangalore 21st August 1877

From

Thro, Mysore
Quintion

Colonel H. D. Prendergast V.C., C.B., R.E.
Commandant Q.A. Sappers & Miners.

To

The Quarter Master General
Fort St. George,

Sir

With reference to G.O. dated 1st August 1877 4th 519 W, I have the honour most respectfully to submit for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, the expediency of moving Government to refer to the Supreme Government as a special case, the necessity for supplying the European Non Commissioned Officers of the Royal Engineers and Queen's own Sappers and Miners, with rations when employed on Famine Relief works in places where good food is hardly to be obtained.

When thousands of able bodied and thousands of moribund natives are receiving gratuitous food at Government Relief Kitchens.

Kitchens, it seems unlikely that the
Government of India would decline to
sanction special arrangements for preserving
the health and lives of a few British
Non-Commissioned Officers who are employed
on works calculated to meet the wants
of the famine stricken.

Since my letter dated 7th July regarding the
Non-Commissioned Officers at the Buckingham
Canals, I have observed in the Fort St. George
Gazette that Serjeants Spice and Baldwin
obtained sick leave on the 1st July and 12th July
and Corporal Ranson on the 19th June 1877.

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant

W. M. Dwyer
Colonel R. E.
Commandant, Q. Q. Sappers & Miners

at 341.
Head Quarters Mysore Division
Bangalore 24th August 1877

L. H. Dwyer
Major General
Commanding Mysore Division

Thro Mysore
Division

No 1351

Bangalore 29th September 1877

From

Colonel H. D. Spendergast V.C., C.B., M.
Commandant D. O. Sappers and Miners

To

The Quarter Master General
Fort St. George,

Sir

In reply to your No 716 dated 20
September 1877, I have the honour to state,
that it would seem advisable to send tea,
coffee, sugar, flour, preserved meat and
vegetables for the use of the Non Commissioned
Officers in the Bangalore Canal, the men
however are so much scattered, that I am
not sure that all are within the Bellare Col-
lectorate, in any case the District Engineer
on receiving them from the Collector could
forward the provisions to the overseers,
and could when necessary add to them
a sheep, fowls, chickens or potatoes, the
quantities sent to Non Commissioned Officers
so scattered would be small, and they could
probably be conveyed free of expense from the
Head Quarters of the Canal with Government
Stores

Thro Mysore Division

From

The Commr and Comd
D. O. Sappers & Miners

The Quarter Master General
Fort St. George

No 1187

Bangalore 29th September 1877

Regarding the supply of
provisions to the Bangalore
C. & D. Officers employed
on the Bangalore Canal

No 7306

No 2708

No 121 (Oct 5) 1877

stores, if Government would allow the
cost of sending the dry rations by cart
or boat to the place of distribution.

The enclosures of your letter are herewith re-
turned.

I have the honour to be

~~Sir,~~

Your most obedient servant

Worshippingast

Colonel R. B.
Commanding the 2^d Buffs & others

Head Quarters Mysore Division

Bangalore 1st October 1898

N^o 385

L. H. H. H.

Major General

Commanding Mysore Division

No 8734

Ex. Comm. Office
Madras 12 Sept 1877

From

The Asst. Commissary General
Chennai

To

The Commissary General
Chennai

Sir

In returning the enclosure of your Memo
No 4641 of 10 September 1877 I have the honor
to state that if the Hon Commissioned Officers
No. 3. employed on the Buckingham Canal
were stationed at Madras or its immediate
vicinity and no extra expense were incurred
for carrying the rations to their camp, the
cost of their ration would be as follows:-

	R. A. P. C.	
Bread	Rs 1-7-57 per 100 lbs	Cost
Beef	Rs 1-11-00 per 100 lbs	Cost
Mutton	Rs 1-11-00 per 100 lbs	Cost
Potatoes	Rs 1-11-00 per 100 lbs	Cost
Vegetables	Rs 1-11-00 per 100 lbs	Cost
Rice	Rs 1-11-00 per 100 lbs	Cost
Sugar	Rs 1-11-00 per 100 lbs	Cost
Galt	Rs 1-11-00 per 100 lbs	Cost
Coffee	Rs 1-11-00 per 100 lbs	Cost
Tea	Rs 1-11-00 per 100 lbs	Cost

But as these men are scattered along the
Canal they cannot be rationed by this
Department. Colonel Prendergast in para
4 of his letter No 971 of 7 July 1877 to the Quartermaster
General suggests as the only feasible
way that provisions be purchased at Bellary
or Bangalore & sent out periodically by cart to
each Division on the Canal, having no
Establishment of any kind at either station
we could not undertake this

Supply

Madras 12 Sept 1877

From
The Commissary General
Chennai

To
The Commissary General
Chennai

No 1351

Regarding ration for
Commissioned Officers
employed on Buckingham
Canal

No 8734 - 27/10/77 & cont.

Regarding ration for
Commissioned Officers
employed on Buckingham
Canal

No 8050

No 8050

of (17) (ack. p.) 1877 11/11

Leipzig

Subject is sent for perusal.

I have the honor to be,
 Sir,
 Your most obedt. Servt.

S. Laddan Colonel,
 Commissary General.

From Commissary General,
 Madras,
 To the Q^d Asst. General
 of the Madras
 Fort and Garrison
 Letter No. 4925.

Dated 13th Sep. 1877.
 Received

Enclosures 3.

Placed for the reasons stated,
 that the Comd. General has
 directed to return the Royal
 Engineers' Office of the
 Royal Engineers' Office of the
 Madras Garrison, Madras.
 (Form No. 114) (Size Folio 4 Sheet)

10 12th Oct. 1877

QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
 Head Quarters, Ootacamund,
 5th October 1877.

No. 854.
 6670

From
 BRIGADIER-GENERAL H. O'CONNELL,
 Quartermaster-General,
 To
 COLONEL J. MICHAEL, C.S.I.,
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I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

J. T. Cornell Brigadier

Quarter Master General.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 12th Oct. 1877
Read the following:—

Enclosurement of the
Military Depots.

(H. D. No. 5636 of 12th Oct. 1877)

Communicated to
the District Engineer,
Kollerah. Who will ascertain
from the local
Commissioners of the
Districts in the District
works what their re-
quirements are and
submit an estimate
to the Local Military General
accordingly arranging
to receive and distri-
bute the articles as
required.

H. C. Nallam 8
Collector of Nellore 15
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Military 1877 Department

9th October 1877

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G. C. 12th Oct 1877 No 519 W.

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PUBLIC WORKS.

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D. S. Heller

C. O. 10 Feb 1877, 901 W

No. 111-115

Buckingham Canal Paper
respecting the supply operations
&c to the British Arm. Com.
missioned Officers of the
Boppers & Miners employed on
the ———, Command to the D.R.
Heller with instructions.

Sub in Reg.
16.10.77