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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

9th November 1878, No. 4,317 W.

Buildings and Roads.

Military Works.

Read the following papers:—

No. 143. Proceedings of the Government of Madras, Military Department, dated 16th August 1878, No. 4,169 (Barracks—Buildings).

From H. STANBROUGH, Esq., Coroner of Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 13th February 1878, No. 12.

I HAVE the honor to bring for the information of His Grace the Most Noble the Governor in Council that at an inquest held before me at the Military Hospital next to the General Hospital, Madras, on the 11th instant, touching the death of William German, the Jury, after returning as their verdict "Died from fracture of the skull caused by falling from the upper floor of the Barrack room in the Fort accidentally," made the following presentment:—"The Jurors beg that the Coroner will respectfully bring to the notice of His Grace the Governor in Council the insecure walling of the upper verandah of the European Barracks in Fort St. George, and request that measures may be taken for improving the same either by making the tops of the wall sloping to prevent the men sitting or lying down on them, or otherwise as the authorities may suggest."

No. 247.

FORWARDED to the Military Department for consideration and issue of the requisite orders.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
13th February 1878.

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Chief Secretary.

No. 819.

Referred to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
15th February 1878.

(Signed) J. MICHAEL, Colonel,
Secretary to Government.

No. 143-A. From the Quartermaster-General, dated 23rd May 1878, No. 190.

ABSTRACT.—Returns the Coroner's letter and submits letter from the District Engineer, Presidency, with a plan and estimate for providing wrought-iron railings for the verandah of the British Infantry Barracks in Fort St. George to prevent accidents.

Memorandum from Colonel J. MICHAEL, C.S.I., Secretary to Government, Military Department, to the Quartermaster-General, dated Ootacamund, 6th June 1878, No. 2,819.

WITH reference to the Quartermaster-General's letter, No. 190, dated 23rd May 1878, the Secretary to Government, Military Department, is directed to request that a sketch of the present wall on the upper verandah of the European Infantry Barracks in Fort St. George may be submitted to Government, with an approximate estimate of the cost of carrying out the Coroner's suggestion that the wall should be so altered as to remove inducement to lie on it.

From Brigadier-General H. O'CONNELL, Quartermaster-General, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated Ootacamund, 7th August 1878, No. 720.

WITH reference to your memorandum, No. 2,819, dated 6th June 1878, I have the honor, by order, to enclose a sketch of the parapet of the verandah of the British Infantry Barracks in Fort St. George.

2. The Executive Engineer proposed to put up iron railings as marked on the plan—estimate Rupees 1,430—and suggested as an alternative to raise a prism on the present top of the parapet wall—estimate Rupees 250—marked in red dotted lines on the plan. His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief did not approve of either. The iron railings he thought would be pulled about by the men and soon become loose, whilst raising the parapet to a total height of four feet three inches would interfere with ventilation and prevent the men leaning on the parapet.

3. It was proposed in lieu that the cornice of the parapet walls should be removed, and a coping substituted on which the men could not lie or sit. An estimate for this (Rupees 150) and letter, No. 160, dated 20th ultimo, from the District Engineer, are enclosed. His Excellency, the Commander-in-Chief recommends this estimate for sanction.

THE proposal in paragraph 3 of the Quartermaster-General's No. 720, dated 7th August 1878, is approved.

2. The plan and estimate of Rupees 150 will be transferred to the Public Works Department for consideration and final disposal.

(Signed) J. MICHAEL, Colonel,
Secretary to Government.

No. 143-B. From Major ROSS THOMPSON, R.E., District Engineer, Presidency, to the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, Roads and Buildings, dated Fort St. George, 17th October 1878, No. 4,234.

WITH reference to your memorandum, No. 4,341, dated 26th September 1878, I have the honor to submit a revised sketch plan showing the heading and section as therein requested. The original sketch is also herewith sent.

2. The cornice of the parapet has been left untouched in accordance with the instructions of His Grace the Governor.

No. 144. ORDER THEREON, 9th November 1878, No. 4,317 W.

THE plan and estimate of Rupees 150 are sanctioned for execution from funds at the District Engineer's disposal under Minor New Works, Military.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Superintending Engineer, Third Circle, with a Memorandum.
„ Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
„ Military Department.

Exd. C. Howarth.
Spare Copies

Buildings and Roads
Military Works

Gobt. of (1878) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

The SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
THIRD CIRCLE.

Dated November 9th.

Issued

Read.

Encl.

G. O. 9th November 1878, No. 4317 W.

NOVEMBER

Nos. 143-144.

Removal of the cornice of the parapet wall
of the upper verandah of the British Infantry
Barracks in Fort St. George and erection
of a coping. — The plan and estimate
of Rs. 100 for the — sanctioned for
execution from funds at the District Engineer's
disposal under Minor New Works
Military.

No. 4234.

From

The District Engineer,
Presidency.

The Chief Engineer,
Roads and Buildings

Sir,

Enclosures.
Two.

With reference to your Memo. No. 2341 of
26th Sept.
15th October 1878, I have the honor to submit
a revised sketch plan showing the heading
and section as therein requested. The
original sketch is also herewith sent.

2. The cornice of the parapet has been left
untouched in accordance with the instructions
of His Grace the Governor.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant.

W. H. P. Major R.
District Engineer,
Presidency.

Fort St. George. }
17th October 1878. }

W. H. P.
7.10.78

No 11404

Roads and Buildings

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The District Engineer
Presidency

No 4234.

Dated 17th October 1878
Recd 18th

Vij Encl. send two
Pl 2. Ref to the 16th Circle
22-11

Infantry Barracks, Fort St. J.

Submit revised sketch
of parapet wall for the —

To acty 18-10-78

4-17
In accordance
J. H. The estimate of Rs 150 for
copying & sanctioned. That is the
only one now under consideration
part in the highly. It is the
very distinctly stated
and asked the
P.O.D. to that
in execution. I estimate
three different
proposals, each with
one is approved. I have
been the order does
not say what is
approved. It is 8/11

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No.

4317

Memo.

To be
said with
the 1st-let
at number
With reference to H. C. No. 4317 W
dated 9th November, it has been
observed by a member of Govt. that
it would be well to have a
bench (rough single stout plank)
put along the verandah parapet
wall and below its top level.

Coll.

Govt. Lt. George }
1878 }

Under Secy. to Govt.
P. H. D.

To the Superintendant
3^d Circle

JP
11/10

To acty 18-10-78

Government of Madras.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT,

Ootacamund, the 16th Sept 1878.

Copy of a note
by the Honble W.
Studdleston on Procs:
of Government, Military
Department, No. 4169,
dated 16th August 1878.

"Why not have a
bench (rough, single
stout plank) put
along the verandah
parapet wall & below
its top level

"The men with

lounge in the veranda
and small blame
to them."

[Sd.] H. H.

/ True Copy /

Michael. Colonel
Secretary to Govt.
The Public Works Dept.

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Note by His Grace the
Governor.

H. D. C. turns
the corner as marked with blue
pencil - the external effect will
not be impaired.

(Signed) B. H.
11-8-78.

Recd. 10/9/78

W

No. 160.

20 July 1878.

427/4

To,

The District Engineer,
Presidency.

Sir,

With reference to your endorsement No. 2018 of 4th instant, on letter No. ⁴⁴⁴4283 of 29th June 1878 enclosed, I have the honor to forward the approximate estimate and sketch called for and to report the number of bays in the verandah which have parapet walls and iron railings which are as follows:—

- 58 bays with parapet walls, $4\frac{1}{2}$ feet in height, perforated.
- 119 bays iron railings, 3 feet in height.
- 14 bays with parapet walls, $2\frac{3}{4}$ feet in height—these are balustrades.
- 50 bays $3\frac{1}{2}$ feet in height parapet walls. These two latter items only are entered in the enclosed estimate for improvement.

Each bay is about $9\frac{1}{2}$ feet long.
I have &c.

/s/ S. B. Plummer,
Sub-Engineer, Fort Range.

No.

Encl.
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No. 2508.

Copy forwarded to the Dy. Asst. Dir. General, Centre District, with reference to his Endorsement No. 622 of 1st July 1878, herewith returned with its enclosures as requested.

A Sketch Plan and Estimate prepared by the Fort Range Officer are also forwarded.

1 Letter from Dy. Asst. Dir. General with 4 Encls.
1. Plan.
1. Estimate.

M. Thompson
District Engineer
Presidency
Major Rb.

Fort St. George
20 July 1878.

Recd.
W.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

16th August 1878, No. 4169.

Barracks—Buildings.

Read the following papers:—

No. 334. From H. STANBROUGH, Esq., Coroner of Madras, to the Honorable D. F. CARMICHAEL, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George; dated Madras, 13th February 1878, No. 12.

I have the honor to bring for the information of His Grace the Most Noble the Governor in Council, that at an inquest held before me at the Military Hospital next to the General Hospital, Madras, on the 11th instant, touching the death of William German, the Jury, after returning as their verdict "Died from fracture of the skull caused by falling from the upper floor of the Barrack room in the Fort the skull caused by falling from the upper floor of the Barrack room in the Fort accidentally," made the following presentment:—"The Jurors beg that the Coroner will respectfully bring to the notice of His Grace the Governor in Council the insecure walling of the upper verandah of the European Barracks in Fort St. George, and request that measures may be taken for improving the same either by making the tops of the wall sloping to prevent the men sitting or lying down on them, or otherwise as the authorities may suggest."

No. 217.

Forwarded to the Military Department, for consideration and issue of the requisite orders.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
13th February 1878.

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Chief Secretary.

No. 819.

Referred to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
15th February 1878.

(Signed) J. MICHAEL, Colonel,
Secretary to Government.

No. 335. From the Quartermaster-General, dated 23rd May 1878, No. 190.

ABSTRACT.—Returns the Coroner's letter and submits letter from the District Engineer, Presidency, with a plan and estimate for providing wrought-iron railings for the verandah of the British Infantry Barracks in Fort St. George, to prevent accidents.

No. 336. Memorandum from Colonel J. MICHAEL, C.S.I., Secretary to Government, Military Department, to the Quartermaster-General; dated Ootacamund, 6th June 1878, No. 2819.

With reference to the Quartermaster-General's letter, No. 190, dated 23rd May 1878, the Secretary to Government, Military Department, is directed to request that a sketch of the present wall on the upper verandah of the European Infantry Barracks in Fort St. George may be submitted to Government, with an approximate estimate of the cost of carrying out the Coroner's suggestion that the wall should be so altered as to remove inducement to lie on it.

No. 337. *From Brigadier-General H. O'CONNELL, Quartermaster-General, to Colonel J. MICHAEL, c.s.i., Secretary to Government, Military Department; dated Ootacamund, 7th August 1878, No. 720.*

With reference to your memorandum, No. 2819, dated 6th June 1878, I have the honor, by order, to enclose a sketch of the parapet of the verandah of the British Infantry Barracks in Fort St. George.

2. The Executive Engineer proposed to put up iron railings as marked on the plan—estimate Rupees 1,430—and suggested as an alternative to raise a prism on the present top of the parapet wall—estimate Rupees 250—marked in red dotted lines on the plan. His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief did not approve of either. The iron railings he thought would be pulled about by the men and soon become loose, whilst raising the parapet to a total height of 4 feet 3 inches would interfere with ventilation and prevent the men leaning on the parapet.

3. It was proposed in lieu that the cornice of the parapet walls should be removed, and a coping substituted on which the men could not lie or sit. An estimate for this (Rupees 150), and letter, No. 160, dated 20th ultimo, from the District Engineer, are enclosed. His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief recommends this estimate for sanction.

No. 338. ORDER THEREON, 16th August 1878, No. 4169.

The proposal in paragraph 3 of the Quartermaster-General's No. 720, dated 7th August 1878, is approved.

2. The plan and estimate of Rupees 150 will be transferred to the Public Works Department, for consideration and final disposal.

(True Extract.)

Michael

Colonel,

Secretary to Government.

To the Public Works Department, with three enclosures, and
copy of note by His Grace the Governor. *and 10 d/copied*
Quartermaster-General.

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Recd 29 Aug

G.O. No. 154 August 1878, No. 4150

Obt. of 1878, 27th Nov.

MILITARY.

THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

AUGUST.

Nos. 334-338.

Approving the removal of the corner of the paved walls of the river, vegetable of the Dutch Laundry barracks in Fort St. George and substitution of a coping.

To acty 23-9-79
Cir 21-10-78

Public Works

No 4317 Public Works Department

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 9th Nov/78

Read the following:-

Proceedings Military Department (H.C. No 4169 of 16th Aug/78)
From the of my Presidency (No 4334 of 17th Oct/78)
August 1878.

The plan and estimate of Rs. 150 are sanctioned for execution from funds at the District Engineer's disposal under minor new works, Military.

L.S.

I understand that these sanctions only to alteration of the corner of the wall. Not the building

21-10-78

1.6 3rd Circle with 2 Plans Discd 13/29/78
H.C. No. 4169 of 16th Aug/78

Exec. P. D. Accd. of 17th Oct/78
Mil. Dept.

H.S.P.

Cir 21-410-78

GOVT.
OF MADRAS. }

1878 .

{ P. W.
DEPT.

SECRETARY.

Fort St. George, 21st November 1878.

OFFICE NOTE.

To

to Mr. Smith Clerk.

By No 4317 of 9-11-78 P.M.D.

This sanction has been
registered as Imperial No. 103 B
of 1878-79.

(14) W.F.

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Obt. of (1878) Madras.
PUBLIC WORKS.

To The SE Third Circle
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Dated
Issued
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G. O. G. O. 1878. No. 43/77

Nos. 43/44

Removal of the cornice
of the parapet walls of the
upper verandah of the Bri-
-tish Infantry barracks
in Fort St. George & substitu-
-tion of ~~the~~ a coping. The
plan & estimate of Rs. 150
for the — sanctioned for
execution from funds at
the disposal of the
Public Works, Military.

Antonio R. S.